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IPSSA, INC. – REGION 7 Regular Board Meeting SCP Conf. Rm, SD, CA Wed., June 23, 2010 Minutes

Attendance -- **Chuck Gough**, R7 Dir., Carlsbad; **Dan Ruiz**, R7 Treas., SD E. Cty.; **Dustin Moors**, R7 Sec'y, Carlsbad; **Peter Gozdeck**, R7 Billing Agent; **David Talbot**, Carlsbad Pres.; **Matt Hughes**, Escondido Pres.; **Richard Burns**, Escondido VP; **Jordan Nelson**, N. Cty Coastal Pres.; **Brian Lindlar**, N. Cty Coastal VP; **Lance Clifton**, Rancho Del Mar Pres.; **Mark T. Curran**, SD Pres.; **Bill Peck**, SD; **Paul Smith**, SD East Cty; **Javier Payan**, SD Metro; **Nancy Gillespie**, Recording Sec'y.

Not Present/Represented – None.

Approval/Additions to Agenda –
- *Consensus* to approve the agenda with the addition of amending the R7 Policies & Procedures.

Approval of Minutes -- *Motion* made by **Matt Hughes**, seconded by **Javier Payan**, and carried to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2010 meeting as submitted. Minutes state that **Gozdeck** had sent late notices to chapters but has not enforced the fines; **Gozdeck** clarified that the reason he did not fine chapters was because the fine timeline had not been established.

Financial

1) **Ruiz** reported that as of June 22, General Fund has \$2,910.70; Emergency Fund, \$5,964.16; and Money Market, \$8,640.79; for total current assets of \$17,515.65. **Bill Peck** asked why copies of the financial summary were not distributed to tonight's attendees. *Motion* was made by **Brian Lindlar**, seconded by **Javier Payan**, and carried (ABSTAIN Bill Peck) to approve the Financial Report as submitted by Ruiz.

2) **Ruiz** explained that when he stepped in as R7 Treasurer at the beginning of this year, there was no past history, just a shoebox of receipts. He has been trying to straighten things out ever since. **Gough** stated that Ruiz has done a great job – he organized the finances and moved the checking accounts. **Payan** noted that when he was R7 Director for four years, the finances were not organized; with **Gozdeck** on board, this has been a great opportunity to get organized and move on.

3) **Peck** asked if **Gozdeck** could prepare financial reports, including income and expenses; **Ruiz** could then review before presenting to the R7 Board. **Gozdeck** agreed to prepare quarterly Profit & Loss and Balance Sheet for review by Ruiz.

4) **Peck** suggested that at some point we pay **Gozdeck** for this additional duty. **Gough** said that R7 does not have that much money and that is why he prepared a budget at the beginning of this year, so we could balance.

Chapter Reports

Carlsbad Dave Talbot

- 1) Membership – a member transferred to Escondido chapter.
- 2) Sick leave – one member down, one pool issue.
- 3) Now has six chapter supporters.

Escondido Matt Hughes

- 1) Chapter meetings have been moved to PEP to save money.
- 2) Chapter will attend Padres game 7/ 31.
- 3) Two new chapter supporters – **Blue Moon Pools** and **Island Pool & Spa Construction**.

N County Coastal Jordan Nelson:

- 1) Things are going well.
- 2) Later tonight he will discuss the R7 annual picnic.

Calendar of Events

- **CPO Class**, Thurs. – Fri., July 8 – 9, SCP (858-467-9495, www.anotherperfectpool.com/cpo), 5648 Copley Dr., SD.
- **B.O.R.D. Meeting**, Sat., Aug. 7, Region 1, CA.
- **R7 Board Meeting**, Wed., Sept. 22, 7:00 p.m., SCP Conf. Rm. (858-467-9495), 5648 Copley Dr., SD.
- **R7 Board Meeting**, Wed., Dec. 15 (one week earlier due to Christmas), 7:00 p.m., SCP Conf. Rm. (858-467-9495), 5648 Copley Dr., SD.

Rancho Del Mar Lance Clifton:

- 1) SPEC – chapter voted to make a donation to SPEC. **Gough** stated that he appreciates all the chapters who have made donations; SPEC does an excellent job of working for us in the pool industry, and items they have successfully lobbied for/against have helped save jobs.

San Diego Mark Curran, Bill Peck:

- 1) Sick leave – one member down last month, 80 pools, a bit of trouble getting yellow cards.
- 2) Sick Leave Committee – three members have volunteered to take over for the two committee members who have done it for 10 years.
- 3) Several new chapter supporters.
- 4) Chapter meetings – All are welcome to attend our meetings. July meeting – guest speaker will be **Greg Garrett**, National Plasterers Council. Aug. – dinner meeting at Admiral Baker Golf Course. Sunday, Sept. 19 – chapter picnic at Santee Lake, first chapter picnic in years.
- 5) Pushing members to sign up designated beneficiaries.
- 6) Chapter received certificate of appreciation from SPEC for donations of \$200 per month.

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7) Four to five members are revising chapter Standing Rules.

8) **Peck** runs the new Prospective Member Committee.

9) One member who had not attended meetings for over a year was expelled. We fined in-house but were ignored. **Susan Neronde** at Cramer, IPSSA Inc.'s financial office can fine on your behalf and if not paid will terminate the member. This will save the chapter from having to terminate and possibly having to deal with an appeal hearing, etc.

10) Membership – five in the process. Two do not have the time to attend all three meetings, two have not passed the water chemistry test, and one is an active prospect.

SD East County Paul Smith:

1) Membership – one new member, one prospect.

2) Chapter picnic will be held in August.

3) **Chad Pennington**, CHP, was a recent guest speaker on driving safety – very informative. He is available to speak at your chapter.

4) Chapter will hold a CPR class.

SD Metro Javier Payan:

1) A few members have issues.

2) New meeting location is Coco's.

R7 Director's Report

1) NDPA – As reported in the R7 May newsletter, in April **Gough** represented IPSSA at the 9th Annual National Drowning Prevention Alliance Symposium in Pittsburgh, PA, accompanied by **Terry Snow** and **Jeremy Smith**. It was good to see **Mary Ann Downing** (an NDPA Director) there. **John Silcox** from the SD chapter was also there.

2) B.O.R.D. – From there **Gough** went to the May B.O.R.D. meeting in San Antonio the following weekend.

On that Friday **Phil Sharp** had his R9 meeting. There were two reps from every chapter. Due to the size of the region – the entire state of Texas – the members have to spend a night in the host city at their or their chapter's expense, sometimes two nights, depending on the length of the meeting. It was an extremely well-run meeting, and **Gough** was impressed by the lack of crosstalk, which made for a very efficient meeting.

3) Prospective chapter in Oklahoma will be part of R9 Texas, and one in Georgia will be part of R11 Florida. Most of the prospective members in Georgia are past California IPSSA members who moved to Georgia.

4) R7 Officers List – **Nancy Gillespie** maintains this list. Send any updates to her and **Gough**.

5) Dues – **Gozdeck** has bills for those chapters who have not yet paid; you have one week to pay or be fined. We do not yet have auto pay. **Gozdeck** works gratis for R7; let's keep it simple for him. **Gough** emphasized that **Gozdeck** has done a marvelous job for us and we are so appreciative.

Unfinished Business – None.

New Business

1) Amend Policies & Procedures – **Gough** said that after the R7 Policies & Procedures were approved at the last meeting, objections were made to the appeal process. *Motion* made by **Brian Lindlar**, seconded by **Lance Clifton**, and carried to approve the revised R7 Policies & Procedures as presented by **Gough**.

2) R7 Dues, clarification of late fees – **Gough** said we had not made it clear when payments are considered late. He explained that **Gozdeck** bills quarterly. To illustrate, for the quarter starting in April, **Gozdeck** used the February census, which was available the middle of March; bills went out the end of March. *Motion* was made by **Jordan Nelson**, seconded by **Javier Payan**, and carried to consider dues late if not received within 30 days of the date of the invoice. As approved at the last R7 meeting, the fine is \$100, plus \$2 per day until it is paid.

Nelson asked if a chapter could pay ahead of time annually; **Gozdeck** said that would be fine; there might be an adjustment at the end of the year to reflect actual census numbers for that year.

3) R7 Picnic – The 2010 R7 has been cancelled. *By unanimous consent*, the Board agreed to consider holding an R7 meeting every two years. **Jordan Nelson** will research. He pointed out that holding the picnic every two years gives the Picnic Fund time to build up.

Gough pointed out that any R7 committee is financially independent and gets no money from R7; in the past Carlsbad chapter did not want to pay for a picnic they did not attend. **Nelson** suggested moving the picnic location further north.

Attendance last year was about 300 total, 180 of which were members.

4) CPO vs. Chem Test – Board discussed whether to recognize a valid CPO certificate as equivalent to completing the IPSSA water chemistry test. **Payan** said he received feedback that the chem test is a bit complicated; on the other hand, it is IPSSA's test and gives us credibility.

Other discussion followed. **Gough** asked for a straw vote. *By unanimous consent*, the Board declined to consider a CPO certification as a substitute for the IPSSA water chemistry test. **Gough** reminded the Board that he asks for R7 feedback but does not always follow those wishes; he clarified, however, that if this were to come up as an agenda item at the next B.O.R.D. meeting, he would vote "no", as he agreed with the rational presented in the discussion.

5) IPSSA T-shirts were distributed to each chapter.

6) R7 directories were distributed to each chapter.

7) Next R7 mtg. – Wed., Sept. 22, 2010.

Good of the Order

1) UPA N. Cty is considering disbanding. Perhaps those members would like to join IPSSA.

2) **Clifton** reported that Texas is performing sting operations to catch unlicensed contractors.

3) **Talbot** reported that normally a building permit is not necessary if you replace like with like, but the city of Oceanside does not follow Health Department guidelines and now requires permits for replacement repairs.

4) **Clifton** said he just got his contractor's license. The cost was about \$500. Those interested might want to see if IPSSA Inc.'s scholarship fund would assist with the cost.

5) **Payan** said that for those who dilly-dallied on compliance with the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act, pools must be compliant by July 1, 2010 or have permits pulled to do so.

Director's Notes

Region 7 Quarterly Report

- Chapter dues for 2nd quarter are due to **Peter Gozdeck** at the end of July. If late, the fine is \$100, plus \$2 per day until it is paid.
- **B.K. Taylor Memorial Award** applications should be completed and returned to me prior to the September meeting so I can distribute them for your review prior to that meeting.
- Have a great summer, if it ever gets here!

Chuck Gough- Region 7 Director