



Region 7 Review

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IPSSA, INC. – REGION 7 Regular Board Meeting Filippi's Pizza Grotto 10330 Friars Rd, SD, CA Wednesday, June 27, 2012 Minutes

Attendance

Joe Lukacik, R7 Dir., Carlsbad; **Dan Ruiz**, R7 Treasurer, SD E Cty; **Peter Gozdeck**, R7 Billing Agent; **David Talbot**, Carlsbad Pres; **Matt Hughes**, Escondido Pres; **Daniel Carlson**, N Cty Coastal Pres; **Gabriel Clum**, N Cty Coastal VP; **Lance Clifton**, Rancho Del Mar Pres; **Josh McKee**, Rancho Del Mar Sec'y; **Mark T Curran**, past San Diego Pres; **Pat Nieratko**, San Diego Treasurer; **Geoff Matthews**, SD East County Pres; **Samantha Larimer**, SD E Cty Sec'y; **Ryan Hazelton**, SD Metro Treas; **Nancy Gillespie**, Recording Sec'y.

Not Present/Represented

All chapters were represented.

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by **Curran**, seconded by **Hughes**, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the March 28, 2012 meeting as submitted.

Treasurer's Report

1) Financial Report – **Dan Ruiz**, R7 Treasurer, presented the 2012 financial report as of June 13, 2012: General Fund \$2,600.69, Emergency Fund \$3,964.16, Money Market \$7,142.95, for total current assets of \$13,407.80. Total income January 1 through June 13, 2012, including dues, fines and interest, was \$2,584.30 and expenses (including donation) \$3,907.25.

2) Fines – **Curran** explained that a chapter is fined \$250 for non-attendance at an R7 meeting. Each chapter must have at least one rep at the R7 meeting, preferably a Board member.

3) Budget – **Lukacik** explained that R7 is broke. In 1988 R7 dues were \$1/person, with 345 members in R7. Now R7 membership is 270, possibly because of the economy and UPA, and dues are still \$1/person.

Ruiz pointed out that **Gozdeck** moved the R7 accounts from Bank of America to Union Bank, saving \$30/month/account in service charges. He suggested combining the Emergency Fund and Money Market. **Curran** explained that the Emergency Fund had been funded by the silent auction held at the picnic and was never from R7 dues; the funds should be kept separate.

Gozdeck said he started doing the R7 books in 2008. In 2009 the R7 annual picnic cost \$13,000. He will weed out non-recurring expenses from the budget and distribute that information soon. R7 Board will discuss the budget further after reviewing information from **Gozdeck**.

[7:31 p.m. **Gozdeck** departed.]

Chapter Reports

Carlsbad **David Talbot**: 1) Membership – steady. One member left, one joined. Member who left did so because of an insurance problem but may come back. 2) All is well.

Escondido **Matt Hughes**: 1) Membership – two new. 2) Charity – donated \$1,000 each to an injured Navy SEAL and injured Marine.

N County Coastal **Daniel Carlson**: 1) Membership – one new. 2) Sick leave – one down but getting pools covered without using sick coverage. 3) Chapter supporters – three. 4) Events – Picnic in Aug. Christmas Party will be at Ki's in Cardiff. 5) Speakers – several good ones lately. 6) **Carlson** pointed out that he is a new officer and still learning.

Rancho Del Mar **Lance Clifton**: 1) Membership – one new, for a total of 20 members. 2) Sick leave – no members down for about five years that he can remember. 3) Chapter supporters – 12. A chapter member coordinates speakers for meetings.

San Diego **Pat Nieratko**: 1) Chapter supporters – growing steadily. 2) Chapter meetings – Aug. meeting will be dinner at Admiral Baker Golf Course, plus a short regular meeting. Normally there is no food at regular meetings. 3) Newsletter – Skimmer has been online only since the first of the year, which is working well. 4) Charity – Chapter has donated \$200/month to SPEC for as long as he can remember. Chapter just voted to increase to \$300/month because of the incredible work that SPEC does.

SD East County **Geoff Matthews**: 1) Membership – one retired, one joined. 2) Speakers – a CHP officer spoke on vehicle safety specific to our industry. 3) Picnic – will be held in August.

SD Metro 1) **Lukacik** reported that **Mike McCortney**, Metro president, just phoned; he is stuck in traffic and not sure when he will arrive tonight. 2) All is good at Metro.

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R7 Director's Report

1) Next B.O.R.D. meeting is Aug. 4-5 in San Diego. Encourage a great turnout of your chapter members to our hospitality room.

2) R7 meetings – Before each meeting, Lukacik asks chapters if they have topics for the agenda, yet he still finds out at the last minute.

3) Region directory – **Nathan Smith**, R6, got an offer to print at no cost region directories for every region, with the profits to that person coming from ad sales. **Lukacik** will inform B.O.R.D. that R7 has no objections.

Unfinished Business

1) R7 Dues Increase – At its March 28, 2012 meeting, R7 approved raising R7 dues \$1 per member per month. **Matthews** and **Larimer** reported that some members of East County chapter now question why this was necessary. He said 30 percent in his chapter did not care, but 70 percent wanted a justifiable reason for the dues increase, as we are a non-profit. Some suggestions: a) Emergency Fund – eliminate. (**Lukacik** responded that it is not funded from dues.) b) R7 meetings –eliminate meals. c) Billing agent – now that **Gozdeck** straightened out the finances, eliminate his position but use his services occasionally as needed. Now that we are moving forward, why keep looking in the rear-view mirror? (Responses were that **Gozdeck** provides continuity, does an excellent job, and is our insurance that things get done correctly and sent to corporate. Without **Gozdeck**, finances could again get messed up and in a shoebox. **Lukacik** said that regardless of what is paid to **Gozdeck**, dues still need to be raised.) d) Recording secretary – absolutely no objections because of all that is covered at meetings. e) SPEC – do not budget for SPEC. Individuals can donate, but raising dues to give SPEC more money seems like a tax.

Motion was made by **Matthews** and seconded by **Larimer** to postpone the \$1 per member per month R7 dues increase until it can be determined

that there is a need for the increase. *By unanimous consent*, the Board tabled further discussion until the next R7 meeting.

New Business

1) CPO certification – discussion of whether to recommend to the B.O.R.D. elimination of CPO certification as a requirement to join IPSSA. Several opined that the test was not difficult or that the IPSSA test was more difficult. **Curran** questioned the purpose of eliminating a requirement for membership; in this case it causes no harm and no additional expense. Some say: *Take the test, join the best.* *Motion* was made by **Hughes**, seconded by **Clifton**, and carried to recommend to the B.O.R.D. that CPO certification supersede the IPSSA test, so it would not be necessary to take both as a requirement to join IPSSA (1 YES – the motion did not pass).

Good of the Order

1) Health inspections – **Clifton** said that apparently health inspection requirements have changed; he asked for feedback. **Nieratko** reported that last week his numbers were different than those of the inspector – a few numbers off and they can close your pool. **Larimer** suggested that the requirements haven't changed – only enforcement and interpretation. **McKee** said perhaps they hire temps in the summer. One chapter will have an inspector speak at their next meeting. **Lukacik** said he will contact the Health Department.

2) Sick coverage – **Clum** asked if an IPSSA member can opt out of providing sick route coverage. Feedback was all members are required to provide coverage except subcontractors.

Adjournment

1) Next R7 meeting – Wednesday, September 26, 2012.

2) *Motion* by **Matthews**, seconded by **Clum** and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Gillespie, Recording Secretary

Calendar of Events

- **CPO Class**, July 26-27, SCP, 5648 Copley Dr., SD. www.anotherperfectpoolnews.com/cpo
- **BORD**, Fri., August 4, Holiday Inn on the Bay, San Diego, CA. info@IPSSA.com
- **R7 Board Meeting**, Wed., Sept. 26, 7:00 p.m. Location TBD.
- **R7 Board Meeting**, Wed., Dec. 19, (one week earlier due to Christmas), 7:00 p.m.

Matching Funds

IPSSA Inc. has a matching grant fund of \$22,000 to assist individual regions and chapters for community involvement, safety programs, and promoting IPSSA to the public. The marching grant funds shall be allocated evenly by region in each given year. The BORD will match, dollar for dollar, up to the budget amount once a matching grant is approved by the BORD.

Submit your requests for matching funds in writing to **Joe Lukacik**. At the end of June, whatever is left can be taken advantage of by another R7 chapter.

Websites FYI

California Swimming Pool Requirements:

<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/healthinfo/enviro/nhealth/water/pages/californiapublicswimmingpoolrequirements.aspx>

Help needed with California state-wide West Nile virus threat

By **Don Burns**, president and CEO, California Spa and Pool Education Council (SPEC) www.calspec.org.
<https://www.ipssa.com/resources/west-nile-virus-mainmenu-72.html>

Abandoned Pools – Vector control

http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/deh/pests/wnv/prevention/chd_wnv_green_pools.html

Report a green swimming pool:

vector@sdcounty.ca.gov

Stay active to improve health. *Swim more!* “Aquatic activity is an ideal option due to buoyancy, cardiac benefits, and respiratory benefits leading to decreased mortality rates.”

http://www.stepintoswim.org/documents/white_paper.pdf