

June 15, 2016 Minutes for SSIA Conference call

Free Conference number is 712-432-6100 and enter code 15151347#

Attendance: Paul Angelos, John McLoughlin, Holly Mahfoze, Sandra VerBruggen, Steve Sachs, Phil Wadzinski, Pat McCabe, Steve Dudaklian, Bill Konomos Mitch Notes: Gina Berman Acting Treasurer: Bob Berman

Quorum: Yes

Vote on adoption of old Minutes *Paul motioned to accept the minutes as presented and Steve and Billy seconded at the same time. All approved.*

Presidents Report: Laurie McPherson from McPherson Leather is interested in the wholesaler spot as is Eddy Gitlin from Zitron. Steve Sachs nominated Laurie. Paul seconded. Mitch said an email needs to be sent tomorrow saying that we are having the annual meeting and the slate of candidates. Voting will be by email tomorrow after talking to Laurie.

Vice President:

Treasurer Report (Interim) Bob Berman: As of today on line is \$97,499.30 as of June 15th. Checks written that haven't come off are \$1000 to Mitch and \$500 Sandra that haven't cleared.

Suppliers, wholesaler, and repairer Reports:

Old Business:

Convention 2016 in Kansas

Where are we on the timeline and where do we stand? Hickory sent the Lanyards and Taurer and Johnson changed their time.

Mitch has 10 extra rooms at the Host hotel.

Committees

Convention committee

Needs to go over the time line with Mitch and talk about anything NOW that needs to be addressed so that its not waiting until the last minute and forgotten.

1. How admission is addressed

The table will be open during the annual meeting

2. T-shirts and Aprons and Pennants (are they ordered) and how paid?

Membership committee should have a table top sign with cost of membership and why they should join. Also on that sign it should say that future shows will charge an entrance fee for non-members.

Saturday night party

Cocktail Party will be 7:30-11pm.

Posters

1800 Posters ordered by Billy Konomos.

Bags

An email will go out to suppliers now asking if they want to be on the Advertising for the Bags. Needs to be ordered By July 10th as they take 10-12 weeks and time to get sponsors for Ads and then paid so they can be timely. At the convention a note asking suppliers if they would like to participate in the years bag order of 3 orders. We now make \$7-10,000 per order on bags instead of breaking even. It may be possible to pre-order and have the sponsors for a better deal on quantities but have them shipped 3 times a year.

New Business:

Meeting Ajourned at 9pm

Things to do before next meeting:

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