IAAI Board Meeting

April 2, 2019 11:00 AM phone conference call

Present:

Jason Blubaum Brett Campbell Earl Giles

Glen Powell Tim Lauda Chuck Kunsitis

Joe Bongiorno Verl Jarvie

There was no meeting minutes from conference presented.

Glen announced that the web page was up and running and could be found at Idaho.IAAI.com

Agenda item 4- Glen asked how each of the standing committees was functioning, the committees have not been active for several years. Glen expressed an appeal that we get those committees up and running. See the by-laws for duties of each committee (can be found on web site). Jason Blubaum and Glen Powell volunteered to work on this committee.

The membership committee in the past consisted of Alisha Prudent, Scott Grimmett, and Brett Campbell. Brett and Chuck agreed to serve on this committee. Verl reported that when members sign up with international they send out a vetting list each month. If he recognizes the member he approves them if new names appear he calls personnel from that locality and ask them for recommendation on that person.

The CFI committee and the Newsletter committee has not been used for several years. With the use of Facebook the newsletter will probably go away.

The nominations committee for the last several years has been run by Tim Lauda and whom e he could recruit when needed. Tim said he would help in that committee another year and Earl volunteered to help. Tim asked that we get nominations for board positions before conference instead of waiting until conference.

The only person we could think of being active with Constitution and By-laws was Cory Dennert. If we are not going to use some of these committees maybe it’s time to change the by-laws to illuminate them.

5A – Verl did not have a detailed finance report, in general we have $27,500 in the bank, and this year’s conference cost was $1100 more than we took in.

5B and C- At conference we discussed record retention, since then nothing has been done to move written records to digital. The group voted to buy two hard drives and Verl begin to scan past records onto hard drives.

5D- Glen reported that getting Post Certification for our classes is not that difficult we need to have a local apply 30 days prior to the training. He did it for a recent class that Pocatello FD had done. Brett reported that FST will pay $1000 to conference cost if we will invoice them. Verl was directed to do so for 2018 conference.

5E- there was little discussion on sponsoring other training than what we are doing at present. The State Fire Marshal’s office is presenting investigation classes for the training academies who request them.

5F- Glen reported that Utah is now doing 3 CFI expert witness classes a year, and NFA has classes available. There was discussion that we would like to get classes going here but no one had the time to set it up.

5G- Glen brought up challenge coins. The group agreed to go with 50 silver coins to see how well they might be received, coins will cost @ $25 each.

5H- Glen reported International IAAI board elections was open until 4/16. Most voiced they do not vote because they do not know the personnel running enough to make educated votes. Glen asked if we thought we should endorse any politician running for office. Then general consensus is we should avoid sponsoring anyone.

5I- Glen reminded Brent as 1st VP the chapter paid for his cost to go back to national conference. In discussion it sounded like 6 persons from our group will be going back to national.

5J – Glen reported that at National they have a good vendor program. Brett reported he invited vendors for last year’s conference, those vendors expressed that we was not a large enough group for them to pay personnel to be on site for two days. It was suggested that SIFA academy did well with their vendors and we should approach Randy Sutton. Jason reported that the Washington IAAI had a vendor’s night which lasted for only 2 hours. We agreed we need to change how we deal with vendors but no definitive decision was made.

6A- Glen reminded everyone as per our by-laws all board members should be members of the international, and asked everyone to check to make sure they was signed up with international.

 6B- New Web site is up Knut Sandahl and Craig Etherton are responsible for content if any one as information to post let those persons know.

6C- Glen recommended that with International conference coming up shortly and with several board members going to be present we wait until after the conference and discuss possible training topics for our conference. Glen also reported that the Boise Fire training facility may be available for a site for our conference. The hotel at the top of the hill could be used as housing. We could provide our own catering or hire lunches out to different caterers. It was proposed we check with Ron Johnson to make sure the conference dates would be available with the training center. A board conference phone call will be made after ITC to make a decision on our November conference.

Meeting adjourned 1220 hours