

**NOSPILL Minutes**  
**March 4th, 2009**  
**Gaylord DEQ Office**

**Call to Order**

**members present**

- Ryan Blazic
- Gene Suuppi
- Dick Catton;
- Jack Cork
- Elmore Christenson
- Robin Oeming
- Sam Kasten
- Matt Korr a guest of Sam
- Ann Gasperich
- Patty Galloway
- Mike McIntosh

**Approval of the Agenda**

**Motion Chris                      Second Dick                      -- Passed**

**Minutes of January 2009**

**Motion Sam                      Second Mike                      -- Passed**

**Treasurer's Report**

Ann reported that she has \$2178.18 in the checking account and 10092.03 in the money market account. Total cash on hand was 12270.21. She has not received the 7<sup>th</sup> district reimbursement check yet. She will ask the secretary to mail out the balance of the invoices to conference participants and vendors.

**Motion Mike                      Second Dick                      -- Passed**

**Secretary's Report**

Ann reported that there are 86 annual members and 4 life time members for a total membership of 90. She will be sending out dues notices to those members who are not current. She will draft a letter to go out with the dues notices and with the membership cards she has that were not picked up at the conference.

**Motion Dick                      Second Mike                      -- Passed**

**Unfinished Business**

- a. **MEHA Conference March 18-20<sup>th</sup> 2009, Ryan and Mike will attend. There was a motion to give away a 2010 NO-SPILLS registration and a bag. Motion by Gene second by Chris, Passed. Motion by Dick second by Chris for total cost not to exceed \$750.00 for Ryan and Mike to attend, passed. Ryan will bring cooler stools to give away with each membership.**
- b. **Conference Evaluation – generally the evaluation came back pretty good. There were complaints about the breakfast on the first day and the chatter in the back of the room. The suggestion was brought up to have the wondering microphone for the question and answer period. People still really like the variety of speakers and the mixing of the topics to learn what is going on around them. Gene and Ryan will put together a request for presentations to get out to all of the vendors. we will look at having the best packages do their 'lessons learned' 'great recovery' and 'best practices'.**

- c. 2010 Conference Site – from the evaluations, the overwhelming majority want to stay in Traverse City. A motion by Gene with a second from Robin to stay at the Holiday Inn and set the conference dates for January 11-13 2010, motion passed.

#### New Business

1. NO-SPILLS 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference
  - 1.1. Shirts – Ryan ordered royal blue shirts with our emblem on them for all active dues paying members.
  - 1.2. Send Deposit of \$200.00 to Holiday Inn to reserve the Conference Dates – Ann will take care of that.
  - 1.3. One Day Seminar to Celebrate the 20 years – A committee of Rayn, Dick, Ann and Ron will look into possible 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Special Events and present at April Meeting.
2. Welcome Ralph Dollhopf to the Conference Committee!!!

#### Committee Reports

- a. Membership Committee (Bill and Mike Mac)  
None
  - b. Web Site update (Mike, Ann, Eric, Dan, Mike Mac)  
Eric will be doing some updates from Ryan. Ann will send him the minutes and agenda's for the web page. Most importantly, Welcome Back ERIC!! We missed you!!
  - c. Area Contingency Planning (Sam Kastin, USCG Representative)  
Sam gave an update on the last meeting and mentioned they are soliciting comments on the draft area contingency plan. We will ask Eric to put a link on our website.
  - d. Conference Committee (Ralph, Gene, Robin, Sam, Ann)  
It was suggested that Ralph join the committee in place of Chris who will move to the Vendor Committee to assist Ron. It was also recommended to invite more industry involvement.  
*(A motion was made by Mike Hosh, Seconded by Dan McPhearson to contact vendors via letter asking them to submit proposals for a Best Practice or Event Presentation without Commercialization session at the 2010 Conference. Motion Passed.  
Possible title for 2010 conference "Great Lakes Partners"  
Potential Speakers for 2010: Governor, Lt. Governor, Congressman Bart Stupak .....keep thinking) left overs from the last meeting – KEEP THINKING!!!*
  - E. Vendor Committee (Ron, Chris)  
No Report
- Wrap up – Dick made a motion for the committee to buy lunch for anyone that attends the meeting in person, seconded by Gene, motion passed.

Next Meeting Date: Thursday April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2009 10:00 AM Gaylord DEQ Office

Adjourn