

Crime Stoppers USA

January 14, 2009

3:05pm CST

Teleconference

Meeting called by: Chairman Tom Kern

Type of meeting: Monthly Board Meeting

Facilitator: Tom Kern

Note taker: Kevin Viney

Attendees: Tom Kern, Greg Wiley, Elaine Cloyd, K. Scott Abrams, James Chambers, Margaret Jones, Robert Mooney, Gary Potter, Tami Lawler, Janice Van Houten, Rob Sarrantonio, Jack Sullivan, Frank Boyd, Estella Quintanilla, Harvey Hilvitz, Tim Stark, Mike Hope

Absent: James Lewis, Ken Kelly

Excused: Earl Winterling, Chris Cameron, Jill Clabaugh-Will,

Minutes

Agenda Item: Minutes from December 10, 2008

Presenter: Viney

Discussion: Moved to approved as written James Chambers, seconded by Gary Potter.

Conclusions: Motion passed

Agenda Item: Chairman's report

Presenter: Tom Kern

Discussion: Three companies have stepped forward interested in working with Crime Stoppers USA in some capacity on some level. One gentleman, Ross is known to Greg Wiley as a former Target employee, now Director of Security whom is interested in participating in Crime Stoppers in the Northwestern part of the US. Tom will contact him to see what he is interested in. RX Patrol has had some changes and would again like to renew its interest in partnering with CSUSA. Aaron Graham has also made it know his desire to become involved. He is now the Director of Security for Apple. Tom will follow up with all individuals. Tom attended the NADDI conference and met with John and Charlie and may have a regional conference in Indiana. Tom would like to know from us what involvement USA would like to have in this Conference and we will talk about it at the next meeting. Responses back from dues notices have been about 135 also inquiries from programs have not been involved. US Marshalls, (Jim Shields) would like to meet with Tom for a one day meeting in Washington DC. Press release for Crime Stoppers month was sent out, although generic, was sent and Tom is working with a group to plan next year's event. Tom indicated a lady from Michigan who is in Business Personal Relations who is interested in helping us. She is already helping the Michigan Crime Stoppers in PR and would like to be involved on a national level. The Informer was sent and Tom has received great feedback on its contents. The USA/Miami letter went out concerning the CSI TV show. Tom would like everyone to look at a website (www.fugitivesfromjustice.com), it involves a bounty hunter who is planning a show to highlight criminals. His website indicated his connection to the US Marshalls and Crime Stoppers. Tom will respond back to us when he learns more about the program and its players. Tom indicated that some board members are interested in stepping up and taking on some responsibilities including Gary Potter who would like to help with training and awareness in different crimes. Bob is interested in getting involved with working on Vendors. Follow up on this is critical and Bob will take the lead and start a "vendor list" which may benefit our members. James Chambers would put together a list of speakers for conferences.

Agenda item: Vice Chairman's Report

Presenter: Greg Wiley

Discussion: Greg had sent out a written report which breaks down the inquiries that come into CSUSA via the Info line and spreads who's going where and what's being said. Examples given by Greg were people interested in starting programs and others who have information on Crimes. Greg will forward that information on to local programs or find a program close by that can help. Greg has also been working on the travel policy with Scott Abrams and hopefully will have something soon to send out. Greg also requested that we all use his private email, GJWILEY@MSN.COM instead of his Target address. There will be another regional director's call on Wednesday January 21st at 1:00pm. Greg announced that there is a lady and her husband from Wisconsin who are interested in the region 8 opening and a gentleman from Virginia interested in the region 3 position. Margaret Jones has sent out a packet of information.

Agenda item: Financials

Presenter: K. Scott Abrams

Discussion: Financial report was sent out by Scott before the meeting. Scott announced that some income was still coming in and we should have a successful year to report when the final numbers are calculated. Scott could not report further as he was driving and did not have reports in front of him.

Other Information

Regional: Reports were sent out and nothing else was reported or added.

Legal: Nothing more to report that was not already listed on report.

Other Bus: Conference at Sea, 26 cabins have been booked since the first of the year. Nominations Committee made the recommendation to accept Tami Lawler on the Board at Large position. James Chambers moved, seconded by Frank Boyd, passed. No unfinished business was reported. Beta Testing would like an answer if Crime Stoppers members would like to test their new product which monitors your home while you are away. The deadline is January 19, 2009. It was decided that more information is needed about the company, Tom will follow up. Next deadline for the next Informer is March 11th for the April edition. Texas will be the featured program.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn at 4:10 by James Chambers, seconded by Frank Boyd.

Submitted by Kevin Viney
May 5, 2009