

Crime Stoppers USA

Meeting Minutes

September, 2009

Present: Tom Kern, Greg Willey, Scott Abrams, Tami Lawlor, Margaret Jones, Rob Sarrantonio, James Lewis, Frank Boyd, Mike Hope, Chris Cameron, Elaine Cloyd, Troy Daniels, James Chambers, Gary Potter, Bob Mooney, Troy Erickson, Ken Kelly, Richard Carter

Not Present: Kevin Viney, Earl Winterling, Estella Quintanilla, Jan Van Houten, Bill Troutman, Nate Nickleson,

Representative from MicroDots gave overview of program

Chairman's Report – Tom Kern. Tom Kern has been at CSI conference and did not have an opportunity to put together a report. He stated he did meet with ETS CEO and will update as needed. He briefly apologized if anyone was offended by behavior on boat.

Vice-Chairman's Report – Greg Willey. Greg Willey stated CSUSA had received 51 new inquiries concerning membership, starting new programs, and general questions from member programs. Each inquiry was forwarded to the appropriate regional director for follow up. Regional Directors are working on a system to record responses to questions. Greg is setting up a training session for new regional directors for next week. Tom requested Greg to get updated conflict of interest statements from each board member.

Treasurer's Report – Scott Abrams. Snapshot year to date we have net income of \$7300 expected \$18,500 so we are running short on membership dues collected. Balance sheet we are ok with cash for now but should be aware of the shortfall.

Regional Director reports: submitted in writing. Patrick Curran requested his info to be updated. Ken Kelly is meeting with police chiefs in his area and is discouraged not to have marketing material to distribute.

Legal Services Report – Richard Carter. Richard Carter's legal services report is being submitted this evening.

Scott Abrams asked if we could begin submitting regional directors reports on a standardized report. Greg agreed to develop a new form.

Bylaws Committee Report – Rob Sarrantonio. Gave board members on boat bylaw change suggestions. The governance committee will be working through the suggested changes and bring back to the board. Greg asked Jean Block for assistance as well.

Conference Committee – Tami Lawlor – report sent out in writing.

The Informer. The next issue goes out next week all articles should have been submitted but if there are additions make sure it is submitted by Friday end of business.

Strategic Plan – sent out in writing and reviewed by Tom Kern. He asked that each chair go through the task and give an overall statement of what it means. Identify key activities which may cross over to other task force. Those not on a task force, please read through them and send me an email letting me know which task force you would like to participate on. Every member of the board should be on a task force.

Executive Directors meeting will be the next time we are all together in person. Bob Mooney would like to have Jean Block in Fort Worth with us. Tom said he would look into the cost. Gary Potter offered to facilitate if needed. Richard will offer a minimum registration fee, just enough to cover beverages and cost. He will be also setting up a group rate at the hotel.

Crime Stoppers month: We would like to look at moving Crime Stoppers month from January to September. A number of challenges follow with January and September is the month Crime Stoppers was born. September allows for more marketing opportunities. Patrick Curran moved to change Crime Stoppers month from and Bob Mooney seconded. Discussion: Elaine thought earlier than was a better choice. September was a bad month due to school events, fairs, festivals, campaigning. Frank Boyd thought we should correspond with national night out. Rob called for vote. Roll call vote: Vote carries with 9 yes votes and 4 opposed.

Bob Mooney has worked with Warren Miller on new process to cover problems with Telecommpute. Elaine agreed to help with this task force.

Motion to Adjourn: moved -James Chambers, second - Elaine Cloyd