

Crime Stoppers USA

Minutes of the September 8, 2010 Meeting

Roll Call: K. Scott Abrams, John Lamb, Elaine Cloyd, Chris Cameron, James Chambers, John Broad, Bob Mooney, Margaret Jones, Tim Stark, Harvey Hilvitz, Jan VanHouten, Barb Bergin, Frank Boyd, Cindy Kilgore, Greg Willey, Lisa Pisciotta, Estela Quintanilla, Pat Curran, Don Everson, Ken Kelly, Mike Blatman, Richard Carter, Troy Daniels

The meeting was called to order by Out-going Vice Chairman Greg Willey at 12:02 CDT.

Board Member Elections: Greg called for the first item of new business being Board Member elections. Margaret Jones said the slate of officers for CSUSA, presented to the membership, was approved. They include:

- K. Scott Abrams – Chairman
- John Lamb – Vice-Chairman
- Chris Cameron – Secretary
- Elaine Cloyd – CSI Director
- John Broad – At Large Director
- James Chambers – At Large Director
- Margaret Jones – At Large Director
- Bob Mooney – At Large Director
- Tim Stark – At Large Director
- Harvey Hilvitz – At Large Director
- Jan VanHouten – At Large Director
- Barb Bergin – Region 4 Director
- Frank Boyd – Region 6 Director
- Cindy Kilgore – Region 7 Director
- Greg Willey – Region 8 Director
- Lisa Pisciotta – Region 9 Director
- Estela Quintanilla – Region 10 Director
- Don Everson – Region 12 Director
- Mike Blatman – Region 14 Director

Margaret Jones made a motion to certify and accept the election results and Frank Boyd seconded it. The motion carried.

- The Office of Treasurer is open and John Lamb made a motion to nominate James Chambers as Treasurer and Elaine Cloyd seconded the motion which passed.
- Richard Carter then led the new board members in the Oath of Office. Richard then asked each new board member to sign the Oath of Office Document which will be emailed to them and should be sent back to the Secretary.
- Chairman Scott Abrams then took over the meeting.

Vice-Chairman's Report:

- John Lamb reported that we are in need of Regional Directors in region 1,23,5.
- John Lamb made a motion that we spend \$20 per Board Member for Crime Stoppers Business Cards. James Chambers seconded the motion and it passed. John will send out a template that each board member can fill out.
- John is also working on a crimestoppersusa email address for each board member.

Secretary's Report:

- Chris Cameron will send out the new updated roster so please send her updates as soon as possible.
- Chris asked that the Conflict of Interest forms emailed to the board be sent back to her.

Nominations Committee:

- Margaret Jones will work with the Executive Committee about renaming the regions.

Regional Directors Reports:

- John Lamb said he is planning a webinar training program for all Regional Directors very soon.
- Ken Kelly suggested that a Regional Directors meeting be held at our national conference.

CSUSA Conference Committee:

- 2011 Conference – CSUSA needs to start working on this immediately. Elaine Cloyd said she has received a number of emails from programs wanting to host this conference. There is a conference committee in place and they will offer suggestions for 2011 and 2012. Mike Blatman suggested our CSUSA conference occur in the springtime so not to compete with CSI. Scott said he will call an executive committee meeting to work on this since there is such a short turn around. Richard Carter said there is a contract between Marriott Hotel in Miami and the Provident Travel Group for our 2011 conference. Due to hurricane season there is some concern about having it in Miami in late-August. If we are to rescind the contract, Richard said the sooner the better.
- 2012 CSI Conference which will be hosted by CSUSA – Elaine Cloyd has agreed to head this up. Currently she is talking with San Diego Crime Stoppers to determine if they will host this international conference.

Old Business:

- Motorola has asked for a follow-up meeting regarding the grant they gave CSUSA on September 27. Scott asked John Lamb and Tom Kern to sit in on this meeting to help with the transition.

New Business:

- **Nominating Committee:** Bylaws mandate that the nominating committee be appointed by the Board. Elaine Cloyd made a motion that Margaret Jones serve as Chairman of the Nominating Committee. Bob Mooney seconded and the

motion carried. Elaine Cloyd moved that Frank Boyd, Bob Mooney, John Broad and Harvey Hilvitz sit on the Nominating Committee and Margaret seconded it. The motion carried.

- **Executive Committee:** Scott Abrams said that the Executive Committee consists of the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Past Chairman and the Chair can nominate three additional people to serve on this committee. Scott Abrams nominated Estela Quintanilla, Bob Mooney & Jan VanHouten to sit on the Executive Committee with John Lamb seconding the motion. The motion carried.
- **Past Chairman Duties:** Tom Kern has indicated we will not serve as immediate Past Chairman. Scott asked Judge Carter if the Past Chairman from the previous term can continue as Past Chairman for the current term. Richard Carter suggested the by-law committee look at this and make the provision if necessary. Richard said that Elaine can be the Defacto Immediate Past Chair. Bob Mooney made a motion that Elaine serve as the Defacto Immediate Past Chair and James Chambers seconded. The motion passed.
- **CSI Board Member:** Elaine Cloyd was elected as the CSI Board Representative. John Lamb made a motion that Chairman Scott Abrams and Jan VanHouten also serve as CSI Representatives. Elaine Cloyd seconded and the motion carried.
- **Banking Resolution:** James Chambers made a motion that the new officers of Crime Stoppers USA sign signatures cards with Bank of America so that they can carry out the financial business of Crime Stoppers USA. The officers that will sign the signature cards are Chairman K. Scott Abrams, Vice-Chairman John Lamb, Secretary Chris Cameron and Treasurer James Chambers. Jan VanHouten seconded it and the motion carried.
- **Resignation:** Rob Sarrantonio has resigned from the CSUSA Board. Scott Abrams made a motion to accept his resignation, with regrets, and Jan VanHouten seconded it. The motion carried. Scott will be writing thank you letters to those board members no longer serving.

Parking Lot

- Ken Kelly said there's been some confusion to some programs because they are receiving an application for membership rather than an invoice. John Lamb and Scott Abrams will be working on correcting this issue.
- Ken Kelly asked that we come up with a formal procedure to accept national partners. Elaine Cloyd said that this process should fall under the Resource Development Committee. Ken feels we need a central location to funnel these types of questions to as he has received inquiries. John Lamb will be heading up the Resource Development Committee.
- With respect to other committee assignments for the coming year, Scott Abrams will list the committees along with their descriptions and send it out to all the board so the board can indicate which committees they serve.

Frank Boyd made a motion to adjourn and Elaine Cloyd seconded it. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 1 pm CDT.

