

## WCO Annual Meeting

Chula Vista Resort- Wisconsin Dells, WI

February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

Roll call: Bill Smith, Derek Ducat, Ray Liska, Josh Bartholomew, Exec Director - Maria Woldt, Kevin Shinnars, Isaac Lemmenes, Jesse Dvorachek, Pat Johnson, WCO members

President Ray Liska called the meeting to order at 8:05 am

Ray led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

There was an introduction of the board by each member.

**Agenda approval:** Motion was made by Kathy Vander Kinter, seconded by Al Deaton. All were in favor. Agenda approved.

**Secretary Report:** Josh went over the 1/27/21 meeting minutes. Al Deaton moved to approve the secretary's report, Kevin Shinnars seconded. All were in favor. The minutes were approved.

**Treasurers Report:** Isaac gave the treasurers report. See profit and loss sheet in packet. Dwayne Ducat moved to approve the treasurers report and Daryl Manthe seconded. All were in favor. The treasurers report was approved.

Ray gave the President's report. He brought up the NR 151 rule change that WCO is ready to use their resources to combat.

**Executive Directors Report:** Maria thanked our sponsors and thanked H+S for breakfast. She gave the group ideas on how to "sell" our group to get new members.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Special Projects Committee:** Maria told the group about the incentives for survey takers. She told the group about the consultant that the board hired and the benefits. She then went over some of his data. She also mentioned the upcoming focus group regarding this data.

**Scholarship Committee:** Kevin went over scholarship winners. He also discussed our criteria and how it is critical to award the sponsorships. Kevin also told the group about our one winner that did not meet GPA requirements, but also about the boards unanimous decision to let her try one more semester.

Data was discussed and so was the 2022 plan for scholarships which are (2) \$1000 dollar scholarships and (1) \$1500 Robert Hoerth memorial scholarship.

Maria then discussed the grant program, and criteria to get one. It will vary from \$500-\$5000.

**Newsletter/Media Committee:** Josh Bartholomew reported on our newsletter presence, social media, articles, and events. Also discussed was our website.

**Education/Conference Committee:** Ray went over the meeting that the board had discussing the conference. Kathy Vander Kinter discussed our financial stance and our capabilities to hire on great new speakers.

**Recruitment/Nomination Committee:** Jesse went over requirements and each candidate.

Tabulation occurred. Ray recognized retiring board members Jesse and Kevin. Awards were given and Kevin discussed his retirement.

**Safety/Regulations Committee:** Ray discussed a great year of harvest. Maria went over the items that changed legislatively. Jesse talked about Dairy Day at the Capitol with the group. Ray discussed the partnership WCO has with DBA. Isaac discussed safety events and certifications for 2022 and the requirements to be certified Maria discussed upcoming sessions, certifications, and 2022 Symposium.

Election results were as follows:

Amanda Krepline for at large director and Isaac Lemmenes for corporate director.

Jesse motioned to approve ballots; Kevin seconded. All were in favor and the ballots were destroyed.

Ray welcomed Holly Liska to the front of the room to draw for the \$1,000 member survey prize.

The \$1000 drawing went to Jeremy Heim.

**Old Business:** None

**New business:** None

**Adjournment:** Jesse Dvorachek moved to adjourn. Dwayne Ducat seconded. All were in favor. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Josh Bartholomew