



February 6, 2015 Meeting Minutes

The “**Heart of America**” – Chapter 5 of the International Right of Way Association held its quarterly meeting at Marcelli’s in Lawrence, KS. Registration and member networking began at 10:00 am. President Kent Fredlund called the meeting to order at 10:50. We recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Introductions of guests and members were made.

Kent announced that Chapter 5 April business meeting will be on Thursday at the Phillips Hotel in Kansas City not in Springfield. Discussed IRWA Conference in San Diego, in June. Host hotel is full. Need to get Registration by March 14. Conference for 2016 will be in Nashville, TN. The Richard Wurtz Scholarship of \$500 is still available.

Officers Reports:

Secretary’s Report: The December revised meeting minutes were presented and approved.

Treasurer’s Report: Bill Wright reports a loss so far for the fiscal year (July 2014 to June 2015) of \$2,354.24 and reported \$10,071.20 currently in the bank.

Committee Reports:

Pipeline Report-No report. Steve Grandon, Chair.

Utility Committee- No report. Melissa Wurtz, Chair.

Professional Development Committee- No report. Paul Blees Chair.

International – No report

Education - Richard Snedegar, Education Chair, again asked for volunteer to run video equipment for IRWA course 219 on April 22 & 23, 2015 (Videographer). Person cannot be part of class. Need 16 for this class.

Membership - No report. Marlene Nulph and Marilyn Labuck, Co-Chairs.

Other business- None

Spring Forum- Flyers were distributed to members present. Need more Gift Baskets for Spring Forum, sending out request to Chapter and have requested of other Chapters and Region.

Gift bags – Matt Armfield, Westar will have chargers for USB ports, etc. Burns & McDonnell will have something for bags. Need to get to Bill Wright.

Old business- Secretary, Connie Genser resigned. Jennifer at Burns & McDonnell volunteered to be new Secretary for next year. Officers will be sworn in at April meeting

Marilyn will get name tags to Bill Wright, so he will have them at meetings when he collects money.

April business meeting will be April 23, 2015, Thursday afternoon after class and before events at Phillips Hotel. E mail will be sent out.

Need to RSVP for Region meeting.

Kent is trying to set up September meeting as a joint meeting with Chapter 37 in Jefferson City.

At Spring Forum, Kent will bring up question about where the money from the current assessment from each Chapter is being used.

Web Site for Chapter 5 was discussed. Nancy Greer suggested that a Region committee (1 member from each Chapter) be set up to look at Region website, so Chapters can combine their sites with the Regions site. Marlene thinks that Chapter has an email site. Nancy said David Reins had set one up. Marlene will call Dave.

Motion made to adjourn meeting.

Motion passed.

Submitted by

Marilyn Labuck

Stand in for Secretary