

ISARC Board Meeting on 6-27-2020

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ed Kemper at 0900. The meeting was held at the Peru Rescue Station. Present at the meeting were Chairperson Ed Kemper, Vice Chairperson Jason Buckley, Secretary Tom Foust, Treasurer Carol Lussky, and Board Members Kim Gotte and Richard Bickel. Absent was Board Member Greg Nimmo.

Minutes of the June 6-2020 Board Meeting had been previous sent to the board members for their review. Since no corrections needed to be made, there was a motion to accept the minutes by Richard Bickel, Jason Buckley seconded, motion carried.

Carol Lussky gave the Treasurer's report. She reported that she had spoken with her accountant. He advised that we needed to file the IRS 990 Form. He said that he will take care of that. This was sent by e-mail and accepted. He also asked if we had filed with the Attorney General. Carol Lussky said that she would take care of that part. The Attorney General's office stated that we needed to file for 3 years back. There will be late fees and the total could be \$450.00. Kim Gotte moved that we pay the money and Jason Buckley seconded the motion. This motion carried. Carol Lussky then gave the Board an update on membership. As of this date, she reported that Macon Co. had paid their dues. She also reported that there had been no action taken of the Busey bank account. Carol Lussky said that she received a request from Mt. Prospect asking to join the organization. Carol Lussky is going to send them an invoice. Richard Bickel moved to accept the treasurer's report. Kim Gotte seconded the motion and motion carried.

Next on the agenda was the Website. Kim Gotte stated that she had sent updates that needed to be made. After a discussion, it was determined by the Board that if something had to be sent out in the way of an emergency, Kim Gotte or Carol Lussky could do this. This would be in the event that they were unable to contact Joan.

There was a discussion on the Covid 19 Response Guidelines. These guidelines received a good response from the membership.

Tom Foust reported on the board insurance. He reported that some information still needed to be collected. Ed Kemper tasked Tom Foust for this to be completed by the next Board meeting. Tom Foust said that he will work with Kim Gotte and Carol Lussky.

Tom Foust reported on the up to date information on conference committee. It was discussed about the Phase 4 State response. The Board had a discussion about the limitations being 50. The Board said that it could not hold the conference without violating the state's policy. Some of the discussion involved the safely feeding of attendees and sleeping arrangements. If cabin were limited to a certain number of people, our attendee would have to rent motel rooms. This could cost the attendee or their agency more money. It could put the cost of attending out of range for some of our members. There could also be a major monetary loss to the organization. Kim Gotte moved to cancel the 2020 ISARC conference. There was a second by Richard Bickel and the motion passed. Chairman Kemper thanked the committee for all their hard work. Chairman Kemper stated that with all the hard work, the 2021 committee with have a head start.

Kim Gotte reported on training. She told us about her Zoom training. Kim Gotte reported that it went well. She said that she can see this having application for other training. With the positive response,

Tom Foust moved for the board to get a Zoom account. Jason Buckley seconded the motion and the motion passed. Kim Gotte will follow up on this. Kim Gotte reported that Will Co. will be holding the field portion of their GSAR class. They had previously held the classroom portion on a virtual class.

The Board discussed having a Zoom meeting with the instructor and FTOs on the Covid 19 response. Kim Gotte stated that she would put his together.

Chairman Kemper said that he had put together a packet of the Memorandum of Agreement and several other items that he was going to present to his attorney to look over.

Chairman Kemper reported that he had talked with Mike Burns, the chairman of Outreach Committee. They talked about the comments made about the hats and other merchandise. Mr. Burns said that he would work on it.

The Board then worked on their task punch list. The board completed the update on the instructor's credentialing. Carol Lussky moved to accept the changes. Jason Buckley seconded the motion. The motion carried.

There was a discussion about handling the hot line calls. Kim Gotte said that she is working on the procedures for this.

The board worked on the "I Am Responding" plan. Carol Lussky moved that we take a one-year plan and work with it. We can re-evaluate it at the end of the year and see if we wish to continue it. There was a second by Richard Bickel. The motion carried.

Chairman Kemper said that he was working on job descriptions for Board Members. He said there is a possibility of some turnover in the Board but the term for Board Member is two (2) years with officers being a yearly election. He felt that members who might be interesting in running for a Board position might want to know what they will be expected of them. This would include the time and work involved.

The Board Members started to go over the by-laws. The members were looking over the by-laws for any possible corrections, updates or additions which might need to be made. These changes will be presented prior to the annual meeting for membership approval.

With all topics on the agenda covered there was a motion by Carol Lussky to adjourn the meeting. There was a second by Richard Bickel. This motion was carried. The meeting was ended at 1310.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Foust

Secretary

