

Kansas Chapter Public Risk management Association
Quarterly Membership Meeting
November 21, 2008
Emporia, Kansas

Officer in attendance were: President Eric Smith, Vice President Alan Weldon, Treasurer Melissa Fairbanks, Secretary Sid Cumberland, Directors Donna Dolinger-Capria and Kelly Perkins, Past President Don Anderson.

Those attending the meeting are as follows:

Karen Hartenbower	Linda Minson
Dennis Quiring	Marcia Payne
Kim Salanski	Diana Mansouri
John Puetz	Tom Adams
Leslie Borden	Ed Reasoner
Mick McBride	Brian Stewart
Scott Hildebrand	Lanny Linebarger
Terry Sinclair	Marcus Henley
Jerry Smade	Victoria Vanderhoof
Terry Fleids	Liz Maisberger-Clark
Karen Niedeno	Verl Niedens
Jennifer Kuhn	Bill Curtis

At 10:05 am President Eric Smith called the meeting to order and asked those in attendance to introduce themselves and the organization they represent.

At 10:10 Eric Smith introduced John Puetz from CFR Risk Management who was speaking on the convergence of the financial, credit, and capital markets and their impact on the insurance market place. John had an interesting view/discussion of how the county has gotten into the financial problems as well as the impact it will have on the insurance markets.

Eric Smith requested a short break.

At 11:05 A.M. President Eric Smith called the business meeting to order.

This meeting we celebrate members who will be retiring in 2008. We have two members, David Coleman Jr. and Karen Hartenbower. We wish you the best in your retirement. There was a picture display put together by Terry Sinclair celebrating the years Karen was with us. A card was passed around for signatures for David since he was unable to attend this meeting.

A motion was made to approve the August 15, 2008 minutes by Terry Sinclair and second by Don Anderson. Motion carried.

Melissa Fairbanks did not have copies of her treasures report so we tabled the treasures report to the next meeting. Discussion turned to the financial situation of the bank the chapter uses to bank with. The board decided there was no immediate threat to our assets. The new board would take up a vote on continuing to use this bank or transfer to a new one at their January meeting.

Alan opened discussion on two bylaw changes. The first is in article VI - Officers and Directors, Paragraph #3 previously read, "All of the Directors and Officers elected shall be, at the time of their nomination, residents of the state of Kansas and shall be representative members of governmental entities or intergovernmental risk pools that have been approved by the Board of Directors for admission."

The proposed change to this paragraph concerns residency. Currently two board members live in Missouri. Discussion was brief with Alan Weldon making a motion to add the change removing the portion "residents of the state of Kansas and shall be". The motion was second by Don Anderson. The bylaw passed with all in favor. The paragraph will now read, "All of the Directors and Officers elected shall be, at the time of their nomination, representative members of governmental entities or intergovernmental risk pools that have been approved by the Board of Directors for admission."

The second bylaw change was to Article VII - Duties of Officers, Paragraph # 4. "The Treasure shall have general supervision of the financial operations of this chapter, and shall deposit all monies in a bank or banks approved by the board of Directors. Drafts or checks against bank accounts in payment of the obligations of the Chapter shall be signed by the Treasurer and any one other current officer." Alan proposed a change in the Article to allow the Treasure to sign checks up to \$499.99 without the signature of another Officer. Discussion was brief and Liz Maisberger-Clark made a motion to adopt the change by adding "For amounts in excess of \$499.99, drafts or checks against bank accounts in payment of the obligations of the Chapter shall be signed by the Treasure and any one other current Officer." Alan Weldon seconded and the motion carried with all in favor of the change. The final wording of paragraph 4 will read, "The Treasurer shall have general supervision of the financial operations of this Chapter, and shall deposit all monies in a bank or banks approved by the Board of Directors. For amounts in excess of \$499.99, drafts or checks against bank accounts in payment of the obligations of the chapter shall be signed by the Treasurer and any one other current officer."

Mick McBride told the members the Wichita Conference was a success. We grew by 6 members. The members thank the sponsors for their sponsorship of \$1,400 dollars. The total cost of the conference was \$1,744.38. With the sponsors money the actual cost to the Chapter was \$344.38. The evaluations were all positive.

Eric Smith stated National PRIMA wanted the chapter to look at a new logo. The designs were passed around and it was decided by the chapter to stick with the logo we currently have. Motion was made by Liz Maisberger-Clark to not adopt a new logo. It was seconded by Karen Hartenbower and carried by the membership present.

Eric Smith updated the chapter on National Prima which is in Dallas May 31 - June 3, 2009. Eric stated he was unable to attend since his daughter's wedding is that weekend.

The nominating committee, Donna Dolinger-Capria and Kelly Perkins announced the slate of Officers for 2009 as President Allan Weldon, Vice President Sidney Cumberland, Treasurer Melissa Fairbanks, Secretary Donna Dolinger-Capria, Director Kelly Perkins, Director Veral Niedens, and Past President Eric Smith. Mick McBride made a motion to accept the nominating committee's recommendation and Liz Maisberger-Clark second. With little discussion the motion carried.

Missouri/Kansas Conference Committee will be meeting in January. The date's for the KS/MO Conference is April 22-24, 2009. Mick McBride requested the Chapter offer \$300 scholarships to attend the conference. It was determined the chapter would offer these scholarships again for the 2009 conference.

Mick advised National is not providing a sponsor this year for the National Conference in May. Our chapter will pick up that sponsorship for 1 person to attend. The chapter will pay \$1,500 to a member of the Board to attend. If the Board cannot use it then it will be offered to the membership.

At 11:55 A.M. we broke for lunch.

At 1245 P.M. Eric Smith introduced the next speaker Larry Karns. Larry gave us a Workers Compensation Legislative Update. Mr. Karns discussed at length what was happening in the courts with reference to defining aggravation of a preexisting physical condition. Mr. Karns also opened discussion on interpreting the statutes - literally and whether the interpretation is fair or not. Looking at caps, do they take into account inflation factors? He also discussed what trial lawyers are wanting as far as changes in the statutes.

With no more new business the meeting was adjourned at 1:50 P.M.

Sidney Cumberland
Secretary