

**WSIA Board Meeting
January 15, 2015
Mercato Restaurant, Olympia**

In Attendance

Therese Baxter
Grace Casey
Lori Daigle
Donna Egeland
Carrie Freeland
Dan Greco
Glenn Hansen
Cloie Johnson
John Klor
Linda LaMonte
Lisa Nelson
Gail Pearson
Patrick Reiman

Matt Saxon
John Shervey
Sheri Sundstrom
Lisa Vivian

Staff

Kari Heinold
Patrick Koenig
Kris Tefft
Christine Brewer

Not in Attendance

Jan Donley

President Donna Egeland called the meeting to order at 9:06am. She welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending the meeting. We then went around the room to do introductions.

General Items

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the September 2014 Board Retreat meeting minutes made by Lisa Vivian and seconded by Lori Daigle. Motion passed.

Finance Report

Matt went over the finance report in the packet. There was then a discussion around the payouts of vacation for 2 employees that have left and how the work flow/cash flow works for the program year. Matt then went over the audit report that is in the board packet. There are a few items to be worked out from the audit that Matt, Donna and Kris will meet about to get worked out. Kris spoke about how we can talk about relegating special projects funds. Kris said he would like the board to still be thinking of the moving of the WSIA office as a special project. Sheri recommends leaving the PAC donation on the dues membership invoice for next year. Lori thinks we should bring back the PAC silent auction at the Annual Conference. We could put it with the Welcome Reception and have heavy appetizers and wine. Matt then spoke of the annual meeting he attended for the Insolvency Trust.

Legislative Report

Kris spoke about the start of the legislative session that started on Monday January 12th. Kris went over the WSIA 2015 legislative agenda that is in the board packet. There is a coalition (not calling it a coalition meeting) meeting on Tuesday. There was then a discussion around the coalition. Christine talked about the meeting that her and Kris had with the Senator who took Senator Holquist-Newbery's position. Kris also spoke about upcoming meetings he and Christine have with Senators and Legislators and the issues that will be talked about.

Department Initiatives

Kris spoke about the handout in the board packet on LNI's budget request for the SIRAS computer program for audit reform. This is something that was talked about at the September 2014 WSIA board meeting. Kris states that we need to be supportive and informative of the underline issue of audit reform and the need for an electronic database with our members. There was then a discussion around this. Lisa V. spoke of Tier 1 Audit being rolled out. There was then a discussion around the audit reform process and the pilot as well as next

steps. Coston did get adopted and goes into effect January 23rd. Lisa V. talked about how she has concerns about the LEP portion of Coston. There was then a discussion around the Crabb decision. Kris then spoke about the Ombudsman interviews and what the continuing process will be. There was then a discussion around those on the BIIA and when their terms expire and how we want to go about replacing them.

Committee Reports

Legal - John K. gave a brief talk on a few legal issues going on out there recently.

Safety – John S. spoke of what has been going on in the safety committee and what is coming up. As well as how he is going to be doing meetings different with go to meeting/webinar. There was then a discussion around workplace violence and active shooter.

Membership & Marketing – Dan spoke about the handout in the board packet. As well as he will be meeting with the entire M&M committee next week to get a game plan for new membership as well as retention.

Associates – Cloie gave a brief rundown of the labor market survey and where it stands right now. They are doing a Regional Meeting on the 27th for our membership. There was then a discussion around VDRO.

Conferences – Linda stated that the Spring and Annual agendas are set and have some fresh ideas on them. Linda said that for 2015 they will not be doing a Kid's Chance event. Her question for the group is do we want to do a fundraiser this year and if we do, do we want it to go to Kid's Chance or for a different charity. The group has decided to not have a fundraiser this year. And if we want to fundraise let's put the money to the PAC.

IIU – Lisa N. spoke of her report that is in the board packet.

Liaison – Glenn spoke about Ebola claims and then there was a discussion around this. Patrick R. spoke of the report that is in the board packet.

WCAC – Sherri briefly went over what has been going on at the WCAC meetings. The meeting materials are in the board packet. The next meeting is April 9th.

Executive Director Report

Kris spoke of the new website that is in the process of being built and showed examples. He also spoke about the marketing strategies that we have been using for our blast emails.

Board Strategic Focus

Regional Meetings- Kris gave a background on how the Regional Meetings have been going this past year. Currently they are not working as they should be. There was then a discussion around the logistics of the meetings. Donna thinks we need to do what we see fit. Maybe getting with Professionals in Workers' Comp to team up with them.

Board Composition & Nominations – There is one spot open on the board to fill. Kris will be looking into everyone's terms and when they are up.

Appointing the Nominating Committee- If you are interested in serving on the committee let Donna know.

Guest Speaker – Senator John Braun (R-Chehalis)

Introductions were done. There was then a discussion around group self-insurance with Senator Braun.

There being no further business, Donna called the meeting adjourned at 1:05pm

Respectfully Submitted,

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for WSIA Secretary Carrie Freeland