

## 12/08/22 December BOD Meeting Notes

Zoom: 810 2630 3098

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Call #: 646-876-9923

Call to order at 7:00pm by Mark F.

Attendance: Heather, Eliazara, Steve D, Tom W, Mark F, Kim E, Stephen W, Bob D, Tom S, Terry K, Dan W

Absent: Andy C, Todd S, no appt 2nd Northern Director

Mark: Approval of November Fall Membership Meeting minutes

- Delete out statement about ABF/NHB

- Eliazara motioned to approve with corrections

- Tom W 2nd the motion

- all approved, motion passed

- Approval of November BOD Meeting Minutes

  - Delete out Ted Elk from dismissal

  - Dan and Eliazara motioned to approve minutes with corrections

  - Tom W 2nd the motion

  - all approved, motioned passed

- letter was sent out to Cornell after the conference

- letter was sent out to David Grusenmeyer supporting his business

- Mark going to ABF conference in January, along with Dan W

  - asking if we as a group would like him to talk to potential conference speakers for 2023 while he is there

  - all said yes

Terry: Scholarship Committee

- \$1000 per year—1 scholarship to start per year

- need to create an application

- Is it for NYS only or open to all states?

- What degree to open the application up to?

- Put up a donation link on website for people to help contribute to the fund

- Is it for members or family members of ESHPA only? Or anyone?

- Many bugs to work and questions to answer and will give an update at next month

- Tom S motioned to fund the \$1000 scholarship for 2023

- Bob D 2nd the motion
- All approved, motioned passed

Kim: Treasurer's Report

- Checking: Oct 31st \$24,863.56, Nov 30th \$9,756.15
- Saving: Oct 31st \$14,447.20, Nov 30th \$27,864.69
- ABF, Farm Bureau, EAS memberships have will be paid this month automatically
- NYSBA has \$13,086 in the checking account
- sponsorship from Barkman's will be coming in, along with checking the stripe/square accounts to make sure all income was added into the excel spreadsheet for conference as well as the expenses
- as of right now we are at a lost of \$2,103 on the conference

Mark: Fall Conference Update

- issue with BOD members missing out on conference and still paying the full price
  - for example: judges, registration table BOD members did not see any of the speakers presentations
- possibly moving booth location for next conference to be able to at least hear the speaker present and be able to step into a presentation at some point during the conference
- mark motioned for 2023 for volunteers to be refunded for a full day missing out on conference speakers
  - not approved...tabled for next meeting**
- conference numbers were down this year, more than last, possibly due to COVID still
- change to 1 day conference on a Saturday instead of a 2 day conference for 2023
- keep membership meeting in AM to keep people in the meeting and not walking away
- the meeting committee needs to plan this now to start logistics for Fall
  - Kim, Dan, Tom W, Eliazara

Kim: Fall Conference Breakout District Meeting Notes

- more communications: facebook, e-mail, and more often
  - weekly emails and updates
- more continuing education, changing the format of the conference for next year
- facebook only for blog, not important info
- Western Area feels like they need another director
- have sub-committees have membership members, not just BOD members
- 1day with less cost for 2023 option or a 2 day with commercial speakers on Friday and hobbyist speakers on Saturday
  - 50/50 split on 1 vs 2 day
- more attention to geographical location for events
- have regional meetings at every event and every year

Mark/Kim: ESHPA budget

- Kim wants some members to help create the budget
  - Tom S and Bob D to help out
- Tom S—annually submit budget to membership for review and to know where their money goes yearly
- By-laws committee to check over wording and make sure coherent
  - Tom S, Kim and Mark

Mark: Northern Director Position Available

- Mark recommends Mark Berninghausen for the position and he did accept at the Fall conference
- voting needs to be done by the membership, not the BOD
- tabled until next meeting**

Mark: Donation to Anti Dumping Lawsuit again

- Is there a line item for donations and research??
  - yes, supposedly, but never in writing, \$2500
  - we adjusted it LY 2021, to \$3000 to add a couple of donations that were done in the 2020
  - does not need membership approval since it is a line item
- \$1000 to ABF and \$1000 to AHPA towards the lawsuit again for 2023

Kim: Summer Picnic

- Andy has offered to have us put up a tent for the morning meeting part of the picnic and for the BBQ lunch with work in the Apiary yard in the afternoon
- has found a hotel with rooms and discount in Ellicottville
  - 2 queens with breakfast \$129 Thur, Fri/Sat \$189 each night
- has meeting room available for our BOD meeting \$179 but have to have lunch catered in—no lunch at hotel
- see if Randy Oliver can come and do OA pad drop training

Tom W motion to adjourn meeting at 8:23pm

- Eliazara 2nd motion
- all approved, motion passed