

KASCOE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The KASCOE Board of Director's held a meeting in Salina, Kansas at the Ramada Inn Hotel on Friday, September 18, 2009.

President Sean Rafferty welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Those in attendance at the meeting were:

- District #1 – Darin Slack
- District #2 – Marsha Gerstner
- District #3 – David Sweany
- District #4 – Kim Kee
- District #5 – Brandon Wilson
- District #6 – Karen Holloway
- District #7 – Sean Rafferty
- District #8 – Becky Cramer
- District #9 – Ernie Battin - Absent

A quorum was present to conduct KASCOE business.

Sean reviewed the agenda. A motion was made that it be approved. The motion was seconded and carried.

The minutes of the business meeting held in July were approved as written.

President's Report – Sean gave a report on the NASCOE National Convention that was held in August in Gatlinburg, TN. Sean, Darin, Brandon, Marsha and Myron attended and all had a great time. Also in attendance from Kansas was Bill Harmon and Dale and Erlene Jirek. Myron was elected as 2009/2010 NASCOE President.

Vice-President's Report - No report.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report – Marsha reported that the balance as of 9/18/09 in the Scholarship Fund is \$2,997.20 and in the General Fund \$19,553.28.

Sean called for Committee Reports:

- A. Legislative:** Brandon – No report.
- B. Publicity:** Karen reported that the October edition of the KASCOE Chronicle is 80% ready to go to the printer. She plans on having it out the first week of October.
- C. Awards and Scholarships:** Karen needs a picture and bio from each of the three scholarship winners for the newsletter. The Directors that have one of the winners in their District need to follow-up to get this for her.
- D. Benefits and Emblems:** Becky reported that she has ordered the items from NASCOE to sell at the convention.
- E. Membership:** David reported that the membership cards have went out to everyone who has turned in dues. He is currently working on getting out the membership cards to the associate members.
- F. Programs:** Kim – no report.

Darin announced that Kevin Dale from Oklahoma is the new Southwest Area Executive. Darin will continue as the Southwest Area Legislative Chairperson and Brandon is the new Southwest Area Membership Chairperson.

David attended the recent awards meeting at the STO. Because of budgetary constraints, there will be no cash awards this year, only time-off and keepsake awards.

Sean attended a meeting with Mr. Polansky on 9/10/09 and the officers will meet with him, along with the officers of KACS, KASE & AGFE on 10/13/09.

District elections will need to take place this fall for even numbered Districts. The new Directors will begin their duties in January, 2010.

State Convention Planning – David is in the process of collecting \$14.50 from each of the Districts to help pay for Tom Tom that will be one of the raffle prizes. The prices for the raffle prizes will be as follows: for the Tom Tom, \$1 per ticket or \$5 for 6 and for the 50/50 Cold Hard Cash, \$1 per ticket. It was decided that the proceeds from the Tom Tom will go towards the scholarship fund. Sean passed around an agenda and registration form for review. The graphics that were used were discussed and approved. It was decided that a page of raffle tickets for each prize will be e-mailed along with the agenda and registration form to the members. The agenda will be printed on a fall colored paper using black ink. David has been working with N-Zone on doing some t-shirts for the convention that will have the KASCOE emblem on them. It will require a \$280 investment. A motion was made and carried that this be done. The STO provided David with the leftover lanyards from the Farm Bill training last year in Hutchinson. The cookbooks will be sold at the convention at a special price of \$3 each. Lunch will be held in the park behind the barbecue restaurant across the street from the hotel. KACS and KASE have been invited. For the Friday night social, instead of the Dog & Suds, we will be having a South of the Border Buffet and will have chips/salsa on all of the tables. Food for 45 people has been reserved. Committee reports need to cover the past year in review and copies don't need to be made for hand-outs.

Business items to be discussed include the site of the 2011 convention (Wichita, Hutchinson or Manhattan), membership cards, NAFEC, possibly PAC, the KASCOE webmaster, budget and membership dues. It will be up to those in attendance to decide if dues should be increased just enough to cover the increase by NASCOE or increased enough to cover NASCOE and have some carryover in the account. The vote on this will be held via voice vote unless a motion is made for a secret ballot.

Dress for the Friday business meeting is to be professional and the new Director shirts with jeans for the evening social. The Directors will meet Thursday evening at 7:30 PM for dinner at the hotel to finalize plans. Sean has reserved two suites of rooms for the Directors. Each Director will need to send in their registration and will then be reimbursed. David invited everyone to a District #3 get together on Saturday that he is currently working on. If any of the other Districts have meetings, etc. Sean would be glad to try and attend.

Sean asked for closing comments.

With there being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded and carried and the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm.

/s/ Marsha L. Gerstner, Secretary