

AFQAM Business meeting, Aug 26th, 2004, Las Vegas, Nevada

Call to order, 1:33pm

Minutes from October 2003, Dave Epstein moved to accept, 2nd Rod Kennette. Motion Passed.

Officer reports; The following reports were available for review by the general membership:

- Treasurer's Report
- Business Meeting minutes, October 8th, 2003
- Presidents Report
- President Elect Report
- Past President Report
- Secretary/Membership Chair Report
- By-Laws Committee Report
- Financial Statement – 8-20-04
- Strategic Plan – 2005
- Store Annual Report
- Proposed AFQAM Budget
- Treasurer Candidate Statements
 - Zoë Smith
 - Suzanne Smith
 - Tom Grant
- President Elect Statements
 - Jana Champion
 - Randy Robbins
 - Rick Lester
- Listing of member applicants

Motion to accept the Officer reports by Tom Grant, 2nd Laurette Rapp, Motion Passed.

Committee reports

Barb C. thanked all

Resource committee: Chet U. reviewed the highlight of the report. Documents and various resources online. Call for updated materials. Question about creating a catalog of materials available, Chet responded that they are considering the topic. Vicki asked about a listing of individuals avail. To perform audit. Chet is looking into it.

Communication by Carl A. distributed newsletter, two issues. Candidate statement edition. Restructured the committee to allow faster production of the newsletter. Looking into electronic distribution of the newsletter. Gained responsibility of AFQAM's website. Opened discussion of how to distribute newsletter. Options are discussion list, website, email. Asked membership what the committee can do to better serve. Comment that newsletter was impressive. Discussed compilation of message

topics. Membership would like to see a summary listing. Membership would like to see a better archive of the association's documents.

Audit Committee: Henry discussed the audit findings of audit conducted against the Treasurers financial report. Informed the membership that the Audit Committee has been asked to act as a watchdog for the operation of the AFQAM association.

Store report: Asked that items be posted on the website for shopping needs.

Membership Committee: Stated that the objectives passed to the committee from the President have been met. Mentioned that a marketing brochure was created and distributed.

Motion to accept the committee reports by Todd Nordhoff, 2nd by Rick Lester. Passed

Names read of present applicants who are present, Motion by Rick Groff to accept, as members, those listed on the "member applicant" listing, Rod Kennette 2nd
Motion Passed.

2005 annual conference. Dave Epstein gave an overview of the location, activities, hotel, restaurants available, dates were announced. Holiday Inn

NEW Business:

Future site proposals: Discussed presentations from Wisconsin, Montana, and D.C.

Meetings awarded were 2006 to Montana and 2007 to Wisconsin.

Julie discussed Montana at Holiday Inn Dockside, activities available, no dates are decided on yet. Looking at September and October. Nearby vacation spots were discussed. Airport arrangement are available.

Wisconsin meeting was discussed by Jana Champion. Jana discussed past meetings that were hosted by their lab. Looking at available dates.

D.C. bid was considered but placed on hold at this time. Suzanne Smith discussed the location and talked about the various negotiation limitations placed on where the actual site is. Options are downtown and out in suburbs.

2005 subsidy: Will be available and put in place as it was for 2004.

Presenter incentives program. Limited to 10 people, registration will be waived for those members who provide presentations during the conference.

Announced a position, assigned by the President, to represent AFQAM at NFSTC meetings. All expenses will be covered. Looking for the person to be in position for 3-4 years. Call for volunteers, send a letter of interest to President.

By-Laws: Were posted on the website. Motion to accept Steve Greene, 2nd Rich Alvernez,

Asked to accept Credit Card registration, Asked to accept PayPal. Board will consider the use of Credit Card and/or PayPal.

Budget. List of known expenses of AFQAM were posted on the business table. Each item was read by Vicki Hopkins. Report attached.

New Officers:

Candidate statements were identified. All candidates were in attendance.

Elections were distributed. John Simms, Chet Ubowski and Emma Dutton collected and counted the ballots.

Voted Members:

President Elect: Randy Robbins

Treasurer: Tom Grant

Motion to destroy ballots by Dave Epstein, 2nd by Pam Johnson. Motion passed.

Other New Business.

Question posed by Todd Nordhoff; “who now chairs By-Laws committee?” President will select Committee Chair.

Recognition given to Zoë Smith

Thank you to John Simms
Congratulation to Randy Robbins.

Gavel passed
Meeting adjourned. 2:46pm