

2003 CONVENTION MINUTES

DATE; JANUARY 6, 2003 TIME 1:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT; PRES. BILL PROWANT, 1ST V. PRES. TOM LINN, 2ND V. PRES. KEVIN KOSKI, DAVID SHIVES SEC-TREAS., MICHAEL ALBANESE, STAN CONNELL, RAY PROWANT, TODD SIPE, DAVID GALLAPOO, TONY ALBANESE, DOUG GUINSLER, KURT OTTERBACHER, KEN JASKIEWICZ, BRENT BAIR & TRAVIS DOWNS.

GUEST PRESENT; JENNIFER KOSKI, SHEILA LINN, NINIA DOWNS, DOMINIC ALBANESE & JILL SHIVES.

Pres. Bill Prowant called the meeting to order.

Pres. Bill P reported the GOSA audit is finished and the books are in good condition.

Bill Prowant went over the agenda schedule for the annual meeting and in what order each subject would be brought up and who would be handling each one.

Bill P asked Brent Bair if he was ready for the spousal membership program and the constitutional change was presented with the wording for the motion. General discussion followed.

The Round Table topics and speaker assignments were discussed and if anything else were needed. Everyone felt the Round Table was completed and in order.

Pres. Bill checked with each Award presenter to see if they had the backgrounds and knew which awards they were doing.

Pres. Bill asked Brent Bair if he had the door prizes and moneys lined up for the Gala. Brent has them lined them up and everyone is bringing them to the office over the next few days.

Pres. Bill asked Kevin K if he had people to take care of different assignments. Greg Myers will take pictures at the annual meeting. Kevin will check for people to take care of the registration booth. Dave G will introduce the speaker on Wednesday morning 9:00am Madison room. We will need to have people help move the Marques in and back out after the Gala. We will be selling 50/50 tickets again this year at the door. Went over each committee assignment and if everyone was ready.

Todd S reported there would be a convention newsletter immediately following the close of the convention. .

Dominic Albanese reported that in 1946 the Showmen's Association was formed with dues of \$5.00 per year. The first secretary was Nate Cohen and the meetings were held at Johnny Mears. The first newsletter was printed in 1958. They used to meet at a restaurant called Thompson's on Broad and High. The Ohio Concessionaires Association started in 1937 and was dispersed previous to the 1946 Showmen's Assoc.

Michael A reported that Michael Powell from the AB should be at our annual meeting.

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Bill P said everyone has to sign a sheet of the different cost associated with the hospitality rooms. There are now curfews for the different rooms.

Brent B went over the different things he was doing to help increase membership. He has sent 39 new contacts and has had very positive response with new yearbook ads, newsletter ads and associate memberships.

The first meeting will be in the Champaign room at 8:00am Jan 7 03 with Billy Perez State Fair Manager.

Date of next meeting will be January 16, 2003 at 11:00 A.M. @ the Holiday Inn Worthington. With there being no further business the meeting was adjourned in due form.