

G.O.S.A. MINUTES
APRIL 22, 2004 11:00 A.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: President Bill Prowant, First Vice President Tom Linn, Secretary-Treasurer Suzanne McCarty, Trustees: Michael Albanese, Tony Albanese, Stan Connell, Dave Gallapoo, Doug Guinsler, Kurt Otterbacher, Ray Prowant, Todd Sipe, and Bill Sterling.

GUESTS PRESENT: Harry Faint, Sy Kolassa, and Carole Kowatch.

President Bill Prowant called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken. Bill Prowant welcomed everyone and thanked the guests for attending the meeting.

Minutes of the March meeting were read and approved with a motion made by Ray Prowant and seconded by Tom Linn. Motion carried. Various items of correspondence were shared.

Suzanne McCarty presented the Treasurer's Report. Options for savings were discussed and reviewed. A motion was made by Doug Guinsler and seconded by Ray Prowant to open a new short term CD with Unizan Bank. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Stan Connell and seconded by Ray Prowant. Motion carried.

Bills were presented for payment. A motion to pay the bills presented was made by Tom Linn and seconded by Todd Sipe. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

A report was given on each of the OFMA Spring District Meetings. All of the meetings went well overall.

Bill Prowant reported that he ordered plaques for Charlie Blosser and Ninia Downs of the Ohio Restaurant Association for appreciation of their support of our organization. A motion was made by Doug Guinsler and seconded by Stan Connell for the organization to purchase the plaques. Motion carried.

Topics for sessions for the convention were discussed and reviewed. Kurt Otterbacher will take care of finalizing the details for each of the sessions with OFMA.

At this point in the meeting, member Mark Dalessandro was recognized for providing a lunch.

An update was given on the proceedings for the accident in Lake County. Trials will begin in May and June. No new information has been made available recently. A discussion was held on the effects the accident has had on inspections in various

industries. Board members were encouraged to contact their legislators individually to make them aware of the situation.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion was held on the possibility of changing the location of the meetings in order to decrease costs. A quote from the Ohio State Fairgrounds was reviewed and compared to the current costs incurred at the Holiday Inn in Worthington. Following discussion, a motion was made by Tom Linn and seconded by Bill Sterling to move the monthly meetings to the Ohio State Fairgrounds. The first meeting to be held at the new location will be in November of this year.

Committee budgets for the year were reviewed and finalized.

The possibility of holding a meeting at some point in the summer was discussed. At this point, no summer meeting is scheduled.

The increasing cost of insurance in the industry was discussed.

Member Sy Kolassa took the floor to share a possible idea for the future. He distributed an article he found concerning the creation of a story collection. Further details on the possibility of doing this will be discussed at future meetings.

Questions concerning the Pepsi National Account Program were addressed. Those present were reminded that all bottlers used must be notified of participation in the program individually.

Plans for the Extravaganza at the convention were discussed. Tom Ansteatt will be notifying us of the entertainment provider for the event. The Silent Auction will be held in the Foyer area this year to allow for more space. The possibility of having Pepsi sponsor beverages for each table will be checked into.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Membership Committee- Suzanne McCarty reported that there are currently 332 paid members. The following new membership applications were submitted for approval: Lake County Agricultural Society-Associate, Sam Hamilton-Regular. A motion to approve the new memberships was made by Ray Prowant and seconded by Kurt Otterbacher. Motion carried. Rules and guidelines for the membership contest were reviewed.

B. Round Up Committee-Michael and Tony Albanese reported that plans for the round up were all set. A plaque for Mr. Hooks will be ordered and presented to him the night of the Round Up.

- C. Yearbook Committee-** Tom Linn and Suzanne McCarty reported that the proof for this year's yearbook is being reviewed and it will be printed soon. The same amount of books will be ordered as last year.
- D. Ride Safety Committee-**No additional information to report.
- E. Newsletter-**Kurt Otterbacher reported on the results of the annual golf outing. He also reported that the next newsletter will be going to print soon. A summer edition of the newsletter will be done in mid August.
- F. Scholarship-**Doug Guinsler shared a note of thanks he received from Alyson Miles for awarding her with a scholarship for this year. Applications for both scholarships were distributed to everyone present.
- G. Games-**No report.
- H. Health & Sanitation-**Nothing new to report.
- I. Website-**The possibility of converting to the OFMA website program was discussed. It was noted that the address needs to be updated on the website.
- J. Joint Membership-**Nothing to report.

Everyone present was reminded that the next meeting will be held on Monday, October 18, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. at J.R. Hooks Restaurant in Circleville.

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Ray Prowant and seconded by Todd Sipe. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:17 p.m.