

G.O.S.A. ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 3, 2006

President Bill Prowant opened the meeting at 3:00 p.m. with The Pledge of Allegiance. Chaplain Penny Otterbacher gave the invocation and recognized the departed members.

A motion to forego the reading of the minutes of the 2005 Annual Meeting was made by Jen Koski and seconded by Penny Otterbacher. Motion carried. A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Jackie Woods and seconded by David Miller. Motion carried.

Suzanne McCarty gave the Treasurer's Report. The annual financial report was presented and the floor was opened for questions concerning the condition of the organization. With no questions raised, a motion for approval was made by Jen Koski and seconded by David Miller. Motion carried.

Committee reports were presented as follows:

- A. Convention Committee-** Chairman Kurt Otterbacher thanked Bill for his hard work during his presidency. Kurt reviewed all of the sessions hosted by the G.O.S.A. He also reviewed the schedule for the Extravaganza event. Kurt welcomed suggestions from the membership for next year's convention.
- B. Membership Committee-**Chairman David Drake reviewed all of the benefits available to members and encouraged everyone to take advantage of them. He also mentioned a few of the issues that would be targeted during the year including 20 ounce bottles and advance deposit requirements by events. He closed by encouraging members to assist in obtaining new members.
- C. Yearbook Committee-**Chairman Doug Guinsler apologized for the lateness of the yearbook and announced the sale of Shreve Printing. Doug asked everyone to make the yearbook committee aware of any corrections that should be made. He closed by confirming that this year's edition of the book would be mailed in April.
- D. Scholarship Committee-**Chairman Doug Guinsler thanked the other committee members and the membership as a whole for their support. Doug read notes received from past scholarship recipients Evelyn Leubbe and Carrie Schrader. Doug announced all of the recipients and presented checks to those in attendance. Recipients of the Kissel Memorial Scholarship were: Second Year- Jana Mull and First Year-Kim Davidson. Recipients of the Otterbacher Memorial Scholarship were: Fourth Year- Ashley and Megan Gentille. Third Year- Elizabeth Guinsler, Stephanie Matus, and Tiffany Sipe. Second Year- Amanda Glessner, Taryn McClellan, Jared Miles, and Ryan Mowry. First Year-Katie Guinsler, Loni Morgan, Sarah Otterbacher, Kelsey Pilati and

Holly Redmond. Doug closed by encouraging everyone to continue to support the scholarship program.

- E. Ride Safety Committee-** Chairman Bill Prowant gave an update on the accident that occurred in Lake County in 2003 and the sentences given to the two ride inspectors involved with the accident. He reported that both inspectors retained their jobs but Kailin Turner had since resigned and taken another inspection within the O.D.A. Bill mentioned that the accident resulted in increased electrical inspections at events. Bill also informed the membership of the ride license fee increase that was instituted at the beginning of the year through the biennial budget bill passed last spring. He made everyone aware that our organization and the ride safety council did their best to avoid the increase including testifying at hearings and hiring the Towner Policy group as representatives. Bill closed by mentioning the stop order that was wrongly placed on several Ferris Wheels after the incident that occurred at the Muskingum County Fair.
- F. Fall Round Up Committee-**Chairman Tony Albanese thanked the membership for their support of the round up. He gave an overview of the income and expenses for the event and recognized all of the prizewinners. He thanked Bud Downs for his donation of the dolly and Matt Gallapoo for donating the TV. The Albanese families presented Dave Gallapoo with a plaque recognizing his several years of auctioneering at the round up. Tony finished by thanking all donors of door prize and auction items and encouraged everyone to continue to support the round up in the future.
- G. Newsletter Committee-** Chairman Kurt Otterbacher thanked various trustees and members for their assistance in providing articles, pictures, and other materials for the newsletters throughout the year. He encouraged everyone to continue to contribute with pictures and articles. Kurt finished by announcing that Ryan and Kelly Kuzma had expressed interest in taking over as editors of the newsletter and will be doing so soon.
- H. Health and Sanitation Committee-** Chairman Stan Connell reported on food security issues that have occurred recently and encouraged everyone to take preventative measures such as keeping stock trucks locked to avoid contamination of produce and other items.
- I. Games Committee-** Chairman Tony Albanese addressed the scrutiny placed on build up games and read an article on the issue written by Kurt Otterbacher. Tony closed by reporting that build up games would be allowed to continue to operate in Ohio this season provided that no problems are reported.

Old Business: None discussed.

New Business:

A proposed amendment to Article XI of the Constitution of the organization regarding the implementation of an employee membership was presented. A motion to accept the amendment into the Constitution and start the program was made by Jack Woods and seconded by Mauri Miles. Motion carried.

Award Presentations:

- 1. Outstanding Achievement in Straight Sales-**Matt, Lori, and Kathleen Freiling presented by Andy Pocock.
- 2. Outstanding Achievement in Games-**Bobby Wagner presented and accepted by Jay Clements
- 3. Outstanding Achievement in Food-**Gary and Trish Butcher presented by Bill Sterling
- 4. Outstanding Achievement in Rides-**John Grenko presented by David Drake
- 5. Special Appreciation-**Ira Feurer, Classic Toy Co. presented and accepted by Kurt Otterbacher
- 6. Special Appreciation-**Tim Meers, Neuman Food, Inc. presented by Stan Connell
- 7. Lifetime Achievement-**Bob and Ann Kolar presented and accepted by Ray Prowant
- 8. Showman of the Year-**Jeff Breece presented by Jo Violand

President Bill Prowant thanked his family and the membership for their support during his time as President.

Trustee Dave Gallapoo took the floor to conduct the election of officers and recognized both Bill and Ray Prowant for their many years of contributing to the organization.

Election of Officers:

- 1. President-**Kevin Koski was nominated by Carole Kowatch. With no additional nominations, a motion to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot was made by Dick Pilati and seconded by David Miller. Motion carried.
- 2. First Vice President-**Kurt Otterbacher was nominated by Leeanne Bush. With no further nominations, nominations were closed and a unanimous ballot was cast.
- 3. Second Vice President-**Doug Guinsler was nominated by Jen Koski. With no additional nominations, a motion to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot was made by Harry Faint and seconded by David Miller. Motion carried.

Bill Prowant congratulated the new officers and wished them well with their terms.

Kurt Otterbacher took the floor to conduct the election of Trustees.

Election of Trustees:

- 1. Trustee-currently held by Ray Prowant-** Jeff Otterbacher was nominated by Jen Koski. With no further nominations, a motion to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot was made by Jackie Woods and seconded by David Miller. Motion carried.

- 2. Trustee-currently held by Todd Sipe-**Ryan Kuzma was nominated by Penny Otterbacher. With no additional nominations, a motion to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot was made by Jasmine Keeney and seconded by David Miller. Motion carried.

- 3. Trustee-currently held by Tony Albanese-**Tony Albanese was nominated by Nancy Albanese. With no further nominations, a motion to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot was made by Jasmine Keeney and seconded by David Miller. Motion carried.

- 3. Trustee-currently held by Stan Connell-**Stan Connell was nominated by Dean Otterbacher. With no additional nominations, a motion to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot was made by Jen Koski and seconded by David Miller. Motion carried.

- 5. Trustee-**For the vacancy left by the election of Doug Guinsler to Second Vice President. Michael Albanese was nominated by Doug Guinsler. With no further nominations, a motion to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot was made by Ray Prowant and seconded by David Miller. Motion carried.

At the close of the election, all in attendance were invited to the Membership Appreciation event in the Delaware rooms beginning at 8:00 p.m.

Jack Woods requested to purchase the first employee membership.

Kevin Koski recognized Bill Prowant for his dedication to the organization over the years by presenting him with a plaque. Bill thanked Kevin and the board and encouraged all attendees to increase their participation in the organization.

With no further business to discuss, a motion for adjournment was made by David Miller and seconded by Ron Smith. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned. The date of the next annual meeting was announced as January 9, 2007.