

**SWANA Sunflower Chapter  
Board Meeting  
10:30 AM  
April 28, 2011  
Conference Call  
McPherson, Kansas**

**Those participating:**

John Hawk-President  
Mike Fraser-Vice president  
Mike Tabor-Treasurer  
Jeff Beyer-Director  
Mike Kukuk-Director

**Minutes**

**Call Meeting to Order**-John called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM.

**Officer reports**

**Secretary**-John presented minutes on behalf of Bill. Mike F. moved to approve the minutes. Mike K seconded. All voted aye.

**Treasurer**-Mike T. presented the chapter balance sheet. The current balance is \$37,927.49.

**IB Rep**-Mike K. reported that he participated in International SWANA conference calls. Also, he reported that SWANA is considering hiring a firm to recruit new members.

**President**-John reported that he sent out an email to the chapter SWANA membership reminding them that scholarship applications need to be in by May 1<sup>st</sup>. He also reported that Bill Bider has invited him to be on a committee to review the statewide tonnage tax.

**Committee Reports**

**Membership**-Mike F. reported that the next roundtable would be held June 23rd in Lawrence. The roundtables continue to be well received.

**Newsletter**-John reported that he will probably send out the next newsletter in June to coincide with the mailing of the conference save-the-date card.

**Scholarship**-John reported that Bill Ridge has received one application so far and once May 1<sup>st</sup> has passed will contact the rest of the committee to review the applications.

**Audit**-John reported that Darren Gilbert is forming the audit committee and will let us know when they will perform their first audit.

## Old Business

- **Conference Planning**-John mentioned that Jack and Becky Chappelle of Engineering Solutions and Design have offered to give their annual SWANA dues directly to our chapter and maintain their membership in New Mexico. They also offered to be on the conference speakers committee. Mike K. suggested that we have someone from International SWANA speak about the future of solid waste. He will talk to SWANA director John Skinner to see if he might be our keynote speaker. Board members offered a number of other topics. Mike K. will send out a mock agenda with potential topics to give us guidance. He will also contact Dennis Degner of KDHE for potential topics. Mike T. will soon send out a letter to potential vendors. John will send out the save-the-date postcard in June.
- **IB Meeting and other travel guidelines**-Mike F. presented a policy for executive board travel. It seemed to be a policy that would work well. The board will review it between now and the next board meeting. John thanked Mike for his good work on this.

## New Business

- **Tonnage Tax Position**-John asked the board if we want to have an official position on a potential tonnage tax increase. It was agreed that we will wait until after the meeting on it in June.
- **IB Meeting**-Mike K. asked for approval to attend the mid-year IB Meeting in Lancaster, PA. Mike T. moved to approve sending Mike K. to the meeting. Jeff seconded. All voted aye. Mike K. will email estimated costs for the trip in the next few days.
- The next board meeting was scheduled for 10:30 AM, May 26, 2011 in McPherson at the MASWU administration building.
- Jeff moved to adjourn the meeting. Mike T. seconded. All voted aye.