

Board of Directors Meeting

September 21, 2016- 2:00pm to 3:00 pm (EST)- Teleconference

Rob French, Chair  
Nigel Costolloe, Vice-Chair  
Carol Adkins, Treasurer  
Steve Skodak, Secretary/Executive Director

Board members: Mark Adams, Craig Bunting, Mike Duduokovich, Joel Hamburg, Mike Kelly, David Ryker, Daniel Ross, Kevin Sullivan and Tony Severino

Staff: Christina DeLurgio, Accounting Manager

Call to Order- Rob French, Chair

Steve Skodak completes Roll Call with all present, except Mike Kelly, Tony Severino(present at 1:44pm) and Joel Hamburg (present at 2:00pm)at 1:06pm

Chair French calls meeting at 1:06pm

PDCA Antitrust Policy Statement- Steve Skodak

Reminder that it is a Corporate Requirement to maintain fiduciary responsibility

Approval of previous meeting minutes- Steve Skodak, Secretary/Executive Director

**Action Item:** Carol Adkins brings motion to approve, Dan Ross seconds; all aye; **Previous Minutes Approved**

Financial Report- Carol Adkins, Treasurer

**Action Item:** None

Chair Update- Rob French, Chair

- New Board of Directors Search
  - Review of terms of office
    - **Action Item:** All Board of Directors will email Steve Skodak their expected term date on the board
  - Bylaws and policy compliance
    - **Action Item:** None
    - **Recommended Action:** Modify Bylaws, Policies, and AERF Trust documents to limit Past President/Chair
- Committee Structure and charge
  - Ad hoc committee for Certification
    - **Action item:** Steve Skodak will re-send the committee listing
- Findapainter.com
  - SW interest
    - Rob has been in discussion with SW regarding using Findapainter.com as a resource for non-members through SW
  - Make a benefit of National Champions (include all Champions)

- Benjamin Moore has also expressed interest
  - Revenue possibilities
- Legal Counsel
  - Jim Anderson has shown conflict of interest in his interactions with Richard Greene
    - **Action Item:** Carol Adkins brings motion to cancel Jim Anderson; Nigel Costolloe seconds; Roll Call voting ends with 7 ayes, 1 nay, 1 abstain, and 2 absent;

**Motion Passes**

Operational Update- Steve Skodak, Secretary/Executive Director

- Coating Associations Dialogue Meeting
- Certification
  - Need to establish and charge Certification Committee with establishing guidelines for layout of certification
  - Collaborate with SSPC, NCCER, PDRA, ACA and others
- AERF
  - Eliminating nomination process and allowing applications online instead
  - Working to take whole process for scholarship selection online
- Expo update
  - Need to establish and charge Awards Committee with review and selection of award winners for EXPO 2017
  - Visit to San Diego resulted in renegotiation of the contract to eliminate \$20,000 in room night attrition
  - Contract being renegotiated for expo app
- Hotlines
  - Currently have Human resources and technical hotline at a monthly cost
    - Do we still need hotlines with the introduction of Ask-A-Peer?
    - Is this the best format for offering assistance to membership
- Succession for Businesses
  - Should we offer membership options for exploring succession within their business?
  - Establish a closed board for those interested in exploring business sale?
- Technical
  - Establishing online collaborative tool for board and committee work
  - Replaced phone system to an SIP VOIP format with direct dial numbers resulting in annual savings of \$8,600

New Business

Adjourn

Chair French adjourns this meeting at 3:53 PM (EST)

Next meeting:

October 19, 2016- 2:00 PM (EST)

Teleconference