

**ISA Texas Chapter
Board of Directors Meeting
April 23, 2010
College Station, TX**

Members Present

Heather Brewer
Jim Carse
John Giedraitis
Paul Johnson
David Vaughan
Hans Williams

Keith Brown
Nevic Donnelly
Susan Henson
Emily King
Todd Watson
Pat Wentworth

Members Absent

Sarah Brackin
Gregg David

Others Present

Mark Wieland

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Carse at 10:09 a.m. and a quorum was declared present.

II. Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve the Minutes of February 8, 2010 meeting was made by Watson; motion seconded; motion approved.

III. Reports:

a) **Treasurer:** Walterscheidt presented the financial status of the ISAT. After a short discussion a motion was made by Watson to approve the Treasurer's report; motion seconded; motion approved.

b) **Editor:** Johnson said the Newsletter will be published next week and there were enough articles for this edition. Unfortunately the same people usually contribute. Ivy and Johnson are working on guidelines for writing. The next deadline is June 15.

c) **Liaison:** Giedraitis went to the ISA Board Meeting in Atlanta in March. he explained the present board is too large and described the setup of the new Board which will be 15 members.

d) **Executive Director:** Walterscheidt requested input to any changes that need to be made in the ISAT office.

e) Committee Reports:

Convention 2010: Watson reported working with Mark Wieland. He is working on volunteers. Maginnis is doing push on vendors. Most of the groups have their program together.

Tree Climbing Championship: Donnelly and Brown are getting it done. Arborological Services is doing a lot of work on it. Steve Houser will assist in publicity.

Arbor Day: Johnson reported it will be held April 30 in front of the Alamo in San Antonio..

Certification: Wentworth reported we have 765 Certified Arborists in Texas and distributed a handout for the coming test dates.

Membership: Walterscheidt reported the membership continues a gradual increase.

Educational Services Working Groups:
Each group gave a shot report on activities.

Awards: Giedraitis has a committee of Giedraitis, Donnelly, Mestas and Henson.

Historian: No report

Publicity: Carse reported that Tuttle said he could not do it. So Carse will take it on. and Paul Johnson will help.

Scholarships: Williams reported all scholarships have been take care of.

Research: Nothing to report

Membership: Henson described a display that was available for Purchase. A motion was made by Wentworth to order the display and enough publications for TNLA meeting; motion seconded; motion passed.

Plant Appraisal: Wentworth had no new information.

IV: Old Business

a) Finance Inspection/sales tax: No report.

b) ISAT Staffing: Discussed earlier when talking about 2010 Convention that Mark Wieland has been hired as part time Special Events Coordinator.

c) Habitat for Humanity: A discussion was held on the application blank and other parts of the program.. Donnelly moved to accept the budget of \$6,165.00 for 2010 with needed insurance, a waiver, and only Certified arborists can apply for grants; motion seconded; motion approved.

d) Budget: After a short discussion on the budget a motion was made by Johnson to approve the budget with an amendment to increase the publicity from \$500 to \$10,000; motion seconded; motion approved. As part of the budget discussion Giedraitis agreed to follow-up on the Rocky Mountain Chapter DVD.

e) American Youthworks Proposal: Materials were passed out. A motion was made by Donnelly to approve the Memo of Understanding for training and member placement cooperation presented by Donnelly; motion seconded; motion approved.

V. New Business:

a) Nominations Committee: The committee will consist of Heather Brown as chair. Committee members include John Giedraitis and Todd Watson.

b) 2016 ISA Conference Bid: After much discussion a motion was made by Brown to respectfully decline the chance to bid on the conference; motion seconded; motion failed.
After more discussion Giedraitis and Carse will look further into what is needed to bid on the Conference.

c) Mark Duff Travel Request: Wentworth moved to approve the request from Mark Duff for airfare to the Chicago Conference; motion seconded; motion approved..

VI. Next Meeting Date: The next Board Meeting will be on Friday, August 6
In Waco at 10:00 a.m.

VII. Adjourn: A motion was made to adjourn; motion seconded; motion passed.
The meeting was adjourned at 1:09 p.m.

Respectfully

Michael J. Walterscheid
Executive Director

