ISA Texas Chapter Board of Directors Meeting Friday, November 4, 2005 Elgin, Texas

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Gene Gehring Jordy Hagen Pat Wentworth John Giedraitis Jack Hill Mike Walterscheidt

MEMBERS ABSENT

Courtney Blevins Oscar Mestas Todd Watson Jim Houser Russell Peters

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Wentworth at 10:10 a.m.
- **II. II. Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made to approve the Minutes of the previous meeting; motion seconded; motion approved.

III. III. Reports:

a: Treasurer: Walterscheidt distributed a financial summary of the year to date. There was a motion to approved the Treasurer's report; motion seconded; motion passed.

b: Editor: Since the Editor was absent, there was no report

c: Liaison: Walterscheidt reported that there was nothing new going on at ISA.

d: Executive Director: Walterscheidt reported that the Chapter is continuing to operate well. There was a short discussion on the evaluation of the Executive Director. A motion was made to increase the Executive Director contract \$150 per month, to pay \$50 per month for upgrading the internet access, and to pay for installation of the new internet access. All these to be effective November 1, 2005; motion seconded; motion passed.

e: Committee Reports

Convention 2005: Walterscheidt reported that the convention was an Educational and financial success.

Convention 2006: There was a lot of discussion on the format, topics, and Where to hold the Convention. A motion was made to hold the convention separate from the TUFC; motion failed for lack of a second. A motion was made to hold the convention in the Round Rock/Georgetown area in late September; motion seconded; motion passed. It was also decided not to have concurrent sessions and have the convention for two complete days.

Tree Climbing Championship: Keith Brown needs additional help. It will likely be held in Waco or Fort Worth.

Arbor Day: We need a new person to chair this. Pat will find someone.

Certification: Pat Wentworth gave a brief report.

Membership: Walterscheidt reported we are at 559.

Workshops: Giedraitis presented a workshop report that was accepted by the Board. He is charged with finding someone to handle the logistics of workshops.

Awards: Giedraitis mentioned that Russell Peters and the work done at Fort Davis received the 2005 Awards.

Publicity: We need to get all the information to John Giedraitis for distribution.

Research: Guidelines were distributed by John Giedraitis. A motion was made to approve the guidelines; motion seconded; motion passed.

IV. Old Business

Webmaster: We still need to find a Webmaster

V. New Business:

- a) **Board Member Appointment:** Potential Board members were suggested and will be contacted to fill the term of Jordy Hagen and Suzie Johnson who was forced to resign by her boss.
- **b) Dues increase:** A motion was made to increase the Texas Chapter dues to \$40; motion seconded; motion passed.
- VI. Next meeting: The next Board Meeting will be Friday, January 27 at 10:00 a.m. at ISAT Headquarters in Elgin.

VII Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.