# ISA Texas Chapter Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes May 15, 2009 Round Rock, TX.

#### **Members Present**

Jim Breaux
Nevic Donnelly
Susan Henson
David Vaughan
Pat Wentworth

Jim Carse John Giedraitis James Tuttle Mike Walterscheidt

Hans Williams

### **Others Present**

Emsud Horozovic Larry Maginnis

- **I.** Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:00 by President Giedraitis and a quorum was declared present.
- **II. Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made to approve the Minutes of the January, 30 meeting; motion seconded; motion approved.

# III. Reports

- **a) Treasurer:** The Treasurers report was given by Walterscheidt. A motion was made to approve the report; motion seconded; motion approved.
- **b) Editor:** A short discussion was made about the need to get regional reports and information that will entice readers.
- **c**) **Liaison:** Walterscheidt reported that a dues increase for ISA will be likely. Also the dissolution of the Board of Directors was discussed.
- **d) Executive Director:** Walterscheidt reported all was going well. There will be more about this position in Old Business.

# e) Committee Reports:

**Convention 2009:** A report was given by all of the committees. The Program is progressing well. John will remind people to make sure Thy have all the spots filled.

**Tree Climbing Championship:** Tuttle reported all is going well. We Will extend the deadline. He also noted the need to find a new Chairman

**Arbor Day:** Henson and Giedraitis reported that it was an excellent Ceremony.

**Certification:** Wentworth reported we have nearly 700 certified arborists in Texas. He also distributed the Certification Code of Ethics. I

**Membership:** Walterscheidt reported we have 689 who are ISA And ISAT members.

**Educational Services Working Group:** The need for the same Workshop to be repeated in several places was discussed. We need A workshop on Texas Law.

**Awards:** Giedraitis reported that they will be the same as last year.

**Historian:** No Report

**Publicity:** Breaux reported that information has been emailed to Appropriate places.

**Scholarships:** Williams presented a complete report on other Schools for scholarships. A motion was made to provide scholarships Of \$1,000 to schools that have an arboriculture program to be Administered by the schools; motion seconded; motion passed.

**Research:** No report.

#### **IV: Old Business**

- **a)** Capitol Trail of Trees brochure: Giedraitis distributed copies of the brochure.
- **b)** Executive Director Performance Review: Giedraitis reported on the review and stated that Walterscheidt was given a contract increase.
- c) **ISAT Donation of Galveston Tree Planting:** The trees were planted on Arbor Day. There was some discussion on possible help by ISAT at a special Place.

- **d)** Clarification of Cert.; Liaison Benefits: A motion was made to pay the Certification Liaison and TTCC Chair dues for the year and to allow free Entry into the Conference and workshops; motion seconded; motion passed.
- **e) Certification CEUs cost:** A motion was made to drop the \$15 per hour for CEUs for organizations outside of ISAT; motion seconded; motion passed.

## V: New Business

- **a) Nomination Committee:** Giedraitis appointed Watson as Nominating Committee Chair.
- **b) By-Laws Change; Cert. Liaison Election:** Giedraitis distributed the proposed changes. They will be voted on after June 15.
- **c) Appraisal Committee:** Giedraitis appointed Pat Wentworth to chair the Appraisal Committee:
- VI. Next Board Meeting: The time and date has not yet been set.
- **VII. Adjourn:** A motion was made to adjourn; motion seconded; motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully

Michael J. Walterscheidt Executive Director