

**ISA Texas Chapter  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
Elgin, Texas  
Friday, January 21, 2005**

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

**Renee Burke-Brown  
John Geidraitis  
Jack Hill  
Russell Peters  
Mike Walterscheidt  
Pat Wentworth**

**Gene Gehring  
Jordy Hagen  
Jim Houser  
James Tuttle  
Todd Watson**

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

**Courtney Blevins  
Oscar Mestas**

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**Guy LeBlanc  
Melanie Kirk**

**I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Present Peters at 10:05 a.m. with the declaration of a quorum.

**II. Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made to approve the Minutes of the last meeting; motion seconded; motion approved.

**III. Reports:**

**a) Treasurer:** Walterscheidt reported the final budget report for 2004. A motion was made to approve the final budget report; motion seconded; motion approved.

**b) Editor:** The editor was absent, but it was reported that the next Newsletter will be in March.

**c) Liaison:** Walterscheidt reported the ISA Board will be meeting in Minneapolis in March

**d) Executive Director:** There was some discussion of updating the website. Melinda Adams had said she would act as webmaster and she will be contacted to see if she was willing to do this.

**e) Committee Reports:**

**Convention 2004:** Walterscheidt reported a conference profit of Approximately \$5,000.

**Convention 2005:** The Board heard a proposal from Melanie Kirk, TUFC Conference Chair, to do a joint conference somewhere besides Waco. After a long discussion a motion was made to have the ISAT Conference in Waco on Sept. 28-30; motion seconded; motion approved. A conference committee for ISAT of Russell Peters, Chair; Pat Wentworth, John Giedraitis, and Mike Walterscheidt

**Tree Climbing Championship:** Guy LeBlanc presented a report to hold The TTCC in Austin on June 10 & 11 with the 12<sup>th</sup> as a backup. The Contest will start on Friday afternoon. He also proposed not having a Workshop with the TTCC. He also presented a budget for the TTCC. After discussion a motion was made to approve the LeBlanc proposals; Motion seconded; motion approved.

**Arbor Day:** Gideraitis reported it will be held in Houston on the Last Friday in April.

**Certification:** Pat Wentworth updated the Board on Certification In Texas and passed out a written report.

**TREE Fund:** Since we are not participating, Peters switched Hagen To the Research Committee. The committee was asked to formulate a Proposal format.

**Membership:** Walterscheidt reported a gradual increase in members.

**Workshop:** Gehring reported on workshops to be held in Conroe, Grand Prairie, and San Marcos. The workshops will be on using proper Tree care to avoid fire damage to residences.

**Awards:** Giedraitis will send out the information.

**Publicity:** We need a liaison with ISA. Peters will appoint Blevins As Chair and Hill a member of the committee.

**Historian:** Renee Burke-Brown will get the 2004 information on the CD

**Scholarships:** Walterscheidt reported the second half of the 2004-2005 Checks will be sent out.

**Finance:** Houser reported that we are still working on transfer of Our investment.

**IV: Old Business**

**V: New Business**

A motion was made to approve the 2005 budget as submitted with the Only change to use the TTCC budget as submitted; motion seconded; Motion approved.

**VI: Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be in Waco on May 13 and 9:00 a.m.

**VII: Adjourn:** A motion was made to adjourn; motion seconded; motion Approved: Meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully,

Michael J. Walterscheidt  
Executive Director