



Pi Chi Omega

The Professional Pest Management Fraternity

**Pi Chi Omega
Board of Directors Meeting
PestWorld 2015, Nashville, TN
October 19, 2015**

Members Present: Judy Black, Dale Baker, Andrea Coron, Denis Judy, Jim Sargent, Mark Sheperdigian, Larry Hanks, Kim Kelley-Tunnis, Eric Smith, Gerry Wegner

Guests Present: Kristin Coron, Heather Gooch, David Fincannon, Tom Wright

The meeting was called to order at 3pm by Kim Kelly Tunis

A motion was made by Larry Hanks (seconded by Gerry Wegner) to approve the minutes from the October 6, 2015 Board Meeting conference call. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Larry Hanks (seconded by Gerry Wegner) to approve the minutes from the January 11, 2015 Board Meeting. The motion carried.

President's Report: Kim Kelly Tunis spoke about the presidency since Vern passed away. She explained the importance of having staff in place to manage the organization to provide long-term stability. She said that we had some excellent candidates and we are very appreciative for Andrea and Kristin to take on the position to help us move forward as an organization. Kim went on to say that we were successful with the amnesty program and we are now at about 300 members. Kim said that we have 4 scholarships to award in May of 2016. She also proposed developing a scholarship that for individuals who want to get ACE certified.

Nominations Committee: Jim Sargent reported that the election ballot will be presented to active members at the membership meeting on October 20, 2015. The slate of candidates proffered by the committee are Dale Baker, President Elect, Gene White, Secretary, Tom Wright, Treasurer, David Fincannon, Director, Larry Hanks, Director, and Tom Myers, Director. Two director seats need to be filled. Current board members continuing their terms or moving up into their next position include Judy Black, President, Kim Kelley-Tunnis, President Elect, Dennis Judy, Director and Mark Sheperdigian, Director.

Membership Categories: David Fincannon discussed the fact that the Lifetime Membership category was originally intended to honor members who had made significant contributions to the organization in terms of their service and that now the category also included members who simply make a \$1,000 or larger contribution. While contributions are greatly appreciated, he suggested that a separate class of membership might be more appropriate for this type of member. The Board suggested that the Bylaws committee work to more clearly define the two types of membership categories and recommend changes as needed to the Bylaws.

Davis also volunteered to share a list of Honorary members with the staff.

Executive Director Report

Andrea talked about 4 things the staff is working on; Mail and communication issues, Connecting with the members, connecting with the banking and preparing for PestWorld. The staff will also be working with the scholarship committee to update the 2016 program. The staff will be working with the newly elected Treasurer and the accountant to complete taxes by November, 2015. Kristin talked to the Board about a new member interest



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card and also passed out buttons to each Board member to wear that read "Ask Me About Pi Chi Omega". The buttons will be provided to all Pi Chi Omega members at the membership meeting and all are encouraged to be ambassadors for the organization.

Committee Reports

Bylaws: Eric reported that member were provided with copies of the proposed bylaw changes 30-days in advance of being voted on as dictated by the bylaws. The changes will be voted on at the membership meeting on October 20, 2015.

A motion was made by Larry Hanks (seconded by Gerry Wegner) to approve the proposed bylaw changes as presented and to recommend them to the membership for approval at the October 20, 2015 meeting.

Finance:

Kristin Coron presented a balance sheet as follows:

Citizens Bank Operating Account:	\$41,529.73
Citizens Investment Services:	\$57,606.84
Nationwide Annuity:	\$33,334.60
United Bank	\$ 1,594.77
M & T Bank Money Market:	\$ 3,862.45
M & T Certificate of Deposit (matures with interest 9/2018):	<u>\$20,000.00</u>
	\$157,928.39

Kristin suggested consolidating our investments. Judy asked if we should get some investment advice and there could be some liability.

Andrea recommends that Tom, Eric and Kristin get together on the phone and get better understanding of where and how the investments and accounts are separated so that she can put together a better picture together for the board in January. Kim suggested also reviewing past minutes to get more information.

Membership: Dennis reported that he has a total of 9 member nominations:

Jeffery Ives- Associate A
Michael Joyce- Associate A
Mark Vanderwerp- Active Member
Desiree Straubinger- Active Member
Sara McGuire- Active Member
Shane McCoy- Active Member
David Moore II- Active Member
Bennett Jordon- Active Member

A motion was made by Judy Black (seconded by Mark Sheperdigian) to approve the 9 nominations as recommended by the Membership Committee. The motion carried.

Marketing: No report

Newsletter: The staff will design and create a newsletter before year end. Eric wants to get a notice out about scholarships and donations. David will provide an article on Pi Chi Omega history.



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Awards: Certificates of appreciation were presented to Eric Smith and Gerry Wegner for their service on the Board. A plaque was presented to Kim Kelley-Tunis for her service as president. Eric Smith was presented with the Pi Chi Omega Good Deeds Award 2015.

Old Business

Kim Kelley-Tunis asked the Board what they thought about developing a scholarship for BCE or ACE. Discussion continued that supported continuing education and providing value added benefit of Pi Chi Omega. Kim suggested that Gene White work on what that type of criteria candidates would need to meet for that type of scholarship.

New Business

The 50 Year History of Pi Chi book has been worked on by numerous people for many years. In order to get the project finished Kim proposed that we farm this out. Heather Gooch has offered to provide us with a quote to write the book. Kim suggested we could sell the book to recoup the production costs. Eric suggested putting it out digitally by 10 year increments and then the entire thing hard bound.

Banking resolution – a corporate resolution is required naming representatives of the Board to be authorized signers on the newly established United Bank account.

A motion was made by Jim Sargent (seconded by Judy Black) to appoint Judy Black and Andrea Coron as signers on the Pi Chi Omega checking account with United Bank.

A motion was made by Mark Sheperdigian (seconded by Larry Hanks) to adjourn the meeting at 5:08 pm. The motion carried.

Minutes taken by Dale Baker, Secretary Pi Chi Omega