

CNY AIHA Executive Committee Minutes

Date: March 19, 2014 (rescheduled from March 12 due to weather)

Location: Large Conference Room – Galson Laboratories.

- Present – Mary O’Reilly –Past Past President, Jim Trainer - Treasurer, Ron Fillhart - Secretary, Tim Kohanski – President Elect, Ed Hayes – President (via phone)
- Meeting called to order at 4:50.

Old business

- AIHA Leadership Workshop. Tim K. attended. He reports that it was a very positive experience. He spoke with someone from the New England chapter. They have sponsor for their meetings – local companies that donate \$1,000 per meeting and they get to display their company banner as a backdrop to the meeting. They charge \$20 dollars to attend but it is catered or at a restaurant. The meetings are in the Boston area, so have a larger population to draw from. Some of the chapters rarely meet as they are spread out over vast areas.
- TACNY (Technical Alliance of CNY) – no update
- Air and Waste management Association/AIHA joint conference (Tuesday, March 25th - Welch Allyn Lodge in Skaneateles). Mary said that she only had a few people coming to dinner with Aaron Trippler Monday evening. Mary suggested honoring someone at next year’s meeting.
- ASSE meeting in June – Ed sent an e-mail but did not get a reply. He will follow up on this.
- Our original date for Shannon Magari to speak on wind turbines did not work. The date is now May 21st. We discussed potential speakers. Ed will contact Paul Tranchell. Mary suggested that people would be interested in a factory tour or something along those lines – digester in Utica brewery, Onondaga Lake cleanup, Institute for the Study of Smells? (Since we met, Tim contacted Craig Millburn of Honeywell. He is willing to set up a presentation for us at the Onondaga Lake Project Visitor's Center on April 23rd. The presentation would highlight their health and safety programs and a member of their health and safety staff would be on hand to answer questions).
- We continued our discussion of offering a scholarship. Tim contacted Thursa about this. We can do this through AIHF, but restrictions going that route might not make it worthwhile. We do not need special permission to ask companies to donate if we do not go through AIHF. As for who we are targeting, it was agreed that we would likely get little or no response from high school seniors. Jim said that with our balance,

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we cannot offer more than \$1,000 if we try to do this annually. The idea of having a raffle to raise money was brought up.

- We continued the discussion of having a booth at the NYS Fair. Mary will investigate. Also, discussed outreach at local school i.e. career fairs.

New business

- AIHA message board will be rolling out soon. Right now, it is open to local officers. This is a community forum. This does not require people to be available at a particular time.
- It was suggested that a reminder be added to e-mails to direct people to the local chapter website.
- Tentative schedule of upcoming meetings.
 - Next meeting - April 15th (Now looks like April 23rd if the Honeywell tour is a go).
 - May 21. With Shannon Magari as speaker.
 - June 25. Speaker??
- Adjourned at 5:45.