

Minutes
AIHA-APS Conference Call
Feb. 5th, 2003 13:00hr

Present:

Vince Gagner
Milton Cooke
Shelley Gray
Kim Gordon
Dave Muise
Chris Keefe
Lee O'Blenis
Peter Coady

Regrets

Dan Wurster
Holly D'Angelo-Scott

Item

**Action or
Information given by**

1) CCOH update

Peter is reviewing the bylaws with other member for CCOH - (Canadian Council of Occupational Hygiene) There will be more conference calls to complete this.

Peter

2)Spring Workshop

Scheduled for March 19th at the Weston on Heat Stress. It was advertised in NS Safety Council Brochure. AIHA (Jennifer Boyer) is now working on acquiring a speaker on heat stress for us. It may not cost us anything since AIHA is suppose to visit us once a year. Lecture style or classroom style session was discussed. If we approach 40 registrants, this will be discussed again but Dave feels that is more likely we will not have a problem with over 40 people registering.

Dave

Contents of the session was discussed briefly. Doctors that may be able to address the Health issues surrounding heat stress included Doug Sinclear, John Ross (both from the QE2 emergency care) and Art Davis (Health Canada) . A discussion on whether the speakers should cover various heat stress measurement mechanisms was had including WBGT heat stress, core body temperature and humidex. The focus would be WBGT but other measurement mechanisms would be touched on. No decision was made on humidex.

Kim mentioned he had a power point presentation on heat stress and that he will sent to Dave

Kim

3)Leadership Workshop

Dave

Dave talked on the Fairfax (Washington) leadership conference he attended on behalf of our local section. He was very impressed with the meeting. Four Canadian local section were represented. He stated he learned a great deal on the services that our parent body can provide to us. The keynote speaker spoke on Leadership and how to motivate volunteers. They broke the attendants into groups and there was discussion on what various local sectioned did; what worked and what didn't. Dave will write something down and we can discuss it more fully latter at the June meeting.

4)National dues for executive

Peter

Peter discussed the fact that all positions except the directors have to be full members of the AIHA parent body. This tends to be expensive and Peter asked if we could change the elections to Dec so that the AIHA fee dues correspond with election. This was discussed and agreed to in principle and a final decision will be made at the annual general meeting. Two year terms to be discussed.

5)Position of Secretary

Dan's position for secretary is being temporarily filled by Shelley. There was a discussion about whether or not the directory should be sent out, it was decided that the current posting on the web as satisfactory but that it will be updated by Kim. The news letter will inform the members of this. This will be deferred til after the June meeting to incorporate any new members.

Holly/ Kim

Shelley

Dianne Wheeler will be contacted Shelley to see if a letter can be generate for dues notice.

Peter

Election- Peter will be the election committee and have the ballots sent out. He will call Kim for more information

6)Finances

Milton

Deferred to March 19th meeting.

7)New Business

Next meeting: March 19th, after the Technical Session, at Weston.