

**Missouri Chapter
International Association Arson Investigators
Lake Ozark, MO
August 25, 2007**

Present:

- 1. Jim Kuticka**
- 2. Tim Cudd**
- 3. Steve Russell**
- 4. Dave Gyger**
- 5. Steve Young**
- 6. Bruce Vanderhoof**
- 7. Lee Johnson**
- 8. Chris Thiemann**
- 9. Dale Straatmann**
- 10. Larry Doty**
- 11. Dave Nichols, Past President**

Absent:

Tim Medlin, Jim Goebel, Brian Leuthauser, Mike Huffmon

Presidents Report

None at this time

Vice President's Report – Cudd

Mr. Cudd and Mr. Johnson combined the reports due to the change over of positions. All treasure papers along with all materials including the checkbook had been turned over to Mr. Johnson discussed information for the new check signature cards with the President.

Seminar cost for this year was reported to include the cost of the hotel along with all smaller expenditures that included several items like office supplies, postage, and hospitality room totaled \$10,806.49. This year's income included but not limited too, dues, seminar proceeds, merchandise sales totaled \$14,790.97.

It was also mentioned that two of the major expenditures this year were \$800.00 for projector \$1,200.00 for a new computer for the treasurer did figure into the yearly cost that reflected a net loss of \$2,015.52 pointing out that the seminar broke nearly even with the expenses occurred.

It was reported that total assets including cash on hand totaled \$28, 652.88

Secretary's Report – Russell

Mr. Nichols made the motion to waive the reading. Mr. Vanderhoof seconded all voted yes

Treasurer's Report – Johnson- (Cudd)

Combined with Vice -Presidents

Education Committee – Medlin

Discussion on class participation using a punch card at the door or pass around a sign in sheet, future discussion will need to be done to include POST, Mr. Cudd is heading a committee for research of this project and will report at a later meeting. Mr. Cudd made the motion to table this for now; Mr. Vanderhoof seconded all voted yes.

International Liaison –Nichols

Appellant review committee for the IAAI has made a decision to uphold the decision to remove Mrs. Strauss further information will be presented at a later date when the International releases new information.

Legislative–Johnson

Several things are in the works and until new information is obtained no report was given.

Promotional items

Discussion was held on give away's and donations with all members challenged to seek donations and promotional items for door prizes and report to Mr. Thiemann

Membership – Huffmon

Mr. Huffmon sent information that we have 368 current members and 8 life members

Awards – Russell

Discussion will held at the next board meeting, Russell will study on an incentive and will make a suggestion at the next meeting

Equipment- Kuticka-Medlin

All pieces of IAAI equipment need to be updated with all serial numbers and descriptions with a master file being secured by the Secretary.

Attendance prizes, Promotional items -Thiemann

Mr. Vanderhoof suggested to move the store inside the classroom for extra security at nighttime and to save time securing all items each evening. This would also help to keep the table workers to attend the classes. All members agreed and instructed Mr. Thiemann to consider this and report back to the board.

Nominations – Huffmon

Not at this time

Web site- Thiemann

This week will be for maintenance and should be down for a few days. No other problems were seen. Mr. Kuticka discussed maintaining the page ourselves along with our people. Several good comments were received about the page looking professional. Information will be gathered to see if the board should look further into the web control.

By-Laws – Johnson

None at this time

Historical -Goebel

No report at this time

Registration- Gyger

Mr. Gyger reported he is updating the mailing list with new addresses; he will try and have it corrected prior to the registration time with copies to all board members

Fire Marshal office- Johnson

Arson statutes changes are in the works and as new changes area made a new report will follow

Ethical practices- Doty

Still working on a final draft to be discussed at the next board meeting so enough time will be available for notification to the members and to be approved by the board

Court Room Testimony- Lou Hecht

None at this time

Hospitality Room- Johnson

Discussion was held that the hotel will be remodeling and the Hospitality room may be moved due to construction its not sure where the room will be until it gets closer to the seminar time

By-Laws- Straatmann
No report at that time

Old Business

See Website notes, suggestions on daily changes made by the board and at this time it was discussed to leave the maintenance where it is until other information can be obtained, it was noted that we are paid up with the web master for next year and should not make any major changes at this time.

The board has approved a donation of \$1000.00 to MACAP for a training class to educate the state prosecutors in arson awareness. Money will not be paid until all training has been set up and approved, further information will be discussed at the next meeting at this time the money has not been sent.

New Business

Mr. Cudd discussion on Internet search bar that will pay us a small percentage to the chapter more information will be gathered and a later discussion will be held at the next meeting from Mr. Cudd

Detailed tracking of all chapter funds were discussed with several options including the break down of dues, seminar registrations, donations several other options were reviewed and a later discussion will be brought to the board.

Discussion was entertained on adding a link to our web page from the international pertaining to training and up coming events and seminars Mr. Doty made the motion Mr. Nichols seconded with all voted yes.

The issue of chapter sponsored hospitality rooms with the international was brought up by Mr. Kuticka discussion was made to provide money to establish a joint room with other chapters at he International meetings, several chapters have discussed this in order for the international candidates to have a gathering place and make their pleas for votes motion was made from Mr. Cudd not to participate in this at this time, seconded by Mr. Young all voted yes

Mr. Kuticka mentioned that our chapters insurance is due, this years bid was \$1207.50 this insurance is due in September Mr. Doty made the motion to pay this as soon as possible, Mr. Nichols second all vote yes

Mr. Nichols mentioned that the International has received an \$800.000.00 grant and will be continuing the training program that is provided by the International

Next meeting date December 1, 2007

A motion by Mr. Vanderhoof to adjourn with Mr. Gyger seconded all voted yes.

