



# Rhode Island Building Official's Association

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## **RIBOA Monthly Meeting-February**

**Location-Crown Plaza Hotel**

**Warwick, RI**

**February 24, 2011**

**Meeting called to order** at 11:47 AM by President Bill Nash

**Pledge of Allegiance** Pledge led by Richard Case

Executive Board Members Present:

*President: Bill Nash*

*Vice President: Tom Difusco*

*Secretary: Wayne Pimental*

*Treasurer: Bruce Zaludek*

**Minutes**-The January, 2011 minutes were approved with the correction of Bill Hanley as the chair of the Scholarship committee.

## **Membership Report:**

President Nash noted that unpaid memberships are declining. An email will be sent to those still unpaid with a deadline for payment, or they will lose membership privileges. Yearly membership identification cards and pins are being researched as a way to track membership, but also recognize members. In the past, pins were created annually. Jack Kane stated that he has past information on the pins and that he will pass this along to the board. Wayne will research the membership cards.

**New Memberships**- Two new memberships were submitted, Jeffrey Esposito from CB Richard Ellis as a certified eligible and Larry Desormier requested continued membership as a certified eligible. Motion to accept, seconded and approved by the membership. Congratulations.

**Committee Appointments**: President Nash reported that Neil Hall has been appointed to the golf and social committees.

He also spoke on the benefits of committee membership as it applies to the education fund disbursements. Additional information on this is in the education fund report below.

**Policy & Procedure**: Vice President DiFusco is working on documenting all existing policies and procedures that are currently unwritten.

**Treasurers Report**: Treasurer Zaloudek reported that from the period 1-26-11 to 2-24-11 the association paid out \$218.75, which primarily included accountant fees. The association took in \$420.00 from dues and permits. An additional \$2,000.00 was transferred into the education savings account, leaving a new balance of \$14,007.12. The balance in the checking account was \$18,366.02. Motion made, seconded and all approved the monthly report.



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Curt Stenberg questioned the amount in the funds and that it may trigger an audit. Gary Tedeschi noted that as the treasurer of the RI Public Works Association, the amount needed before an audit is initiated is \$300,000.00. Ben Nascenzi suggested that money from the checking be moved to a money market account, so that both our checking and savings are interest bearing instruments. Bruce will discuss with Centreville Bank and the accountant and report back.

## **Education Fund:**

President Nash reported that the education policy was sent out via email, which list the criteria for members to request funding to attend education events. The current savings account in the amount of \$14,007.12 has been designated as the education fund. Any request for funds would be submitted to the board and all members meeting the criteria will be passed on to the membership to vote on their request. President Nash emphasized that to get more member participation on committee's, this would hopefully act as an incentive to become active. Suggestion was made that ICC certification testing reimbursement should also be considered. This is a good suggestion and merits further discussion.

## **Clothing/Logo:**

President Nash reported that the logo to be used on the clothing line will be the official RIBOA logo in blue and gold with the motto "First Preventer's" under the logo. He stated that negotiations with the original vendor didn't benefit our association, so we are looking for a new vendor. If anyone has information on clothing vendors, please pass it along.

## **Committee Reports:**

Golf-Chair Richard Case **stressed** that he needs the help of **every City and Town**. Just one tee sponsorship from each one will put us well on our way for a very successful tournament. We all know enough businesses to make this goal very easily, so please make every effort to help. All sponsorship applications are on the web site. We need tee sponsors, major sponsors, bag & ball sponsors and raffle items.

## **The Tournament is June 10<sup>th</sup> at Exeter Country Club.**

It was recommended that you can send a cover letter with your request for a sponsorship indicating that it is to fund our scholarship fund and is tax deductible.

Scholarship Fund-John DeSautel reported that application forms are on the website and that his committee is looking for two more members, as required by the by-laws.

## **The deadline for Scholarship applications is June 1, 2011.**

Education-President Nash reviewed the upcoming education classes and seminars for the rest of the year. The list is on the website.

**Old Business:** None reported.

**New Business:**



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- Richard Case made a motion to allow funds from the education fund to allow the President to attend the ICC yearly meeting, Eastern States yearly meeting and Amherst seminar. Motion was made to pay for the President to attend and was seconded, all approved.
- Richard Case made a motion to donate \$200.00 towards the hospitality room at the upcoming Eastern States seminar. Seconded and approved by the membership.
- President Nash reported that we received a request to support ICC member Bob Boyer as ICC board member. The request was tabled as it is still early in the process.
- President Nash reported that a request was made by ICC for a raffle for the November UCC meeting. This is open only to ICC associations and has a top prize of \$2,000.00. Request tabled until next month.
- Commissioner Leyden asked all members who have not received their yearly credit hour certification reports to contact him via email.

## **Health & Welfare:**

President Nash presented George Whalen with a gift certificate to Whole Foods. It was great to see George at our meeting and wish him continued success in his recovery.

President Nash noted the passing of Cumberland Building Inspector John Runge Jr. Roger Pierce spoke highly of John and requested a donation be made in his name to the Hospice Association. A motion to donate \$50.00 to Hospice was made, seconded and all approved.

Peter Scorpio reported that Al DeCorte's brother recently passed away. A card expressing the association condolences will be sent to Al.

## **Adjourn: 1:00 P.M.**