

TEAM Third Quarter Meeting Minutes
January 26, 2013

In attendance:

Nicole Kreisel, State President

Robert Tripp, State Vice President

Dave Taylor, State Treasurer

Archie Daily, Immediate Past President

Harry Hill, Lobbyist

NW, KC, C, SL, SW, SE Chapters represented.

Meeting called to order by Nicole Kreisel at 9 AM. Attendees welcomed, Harry Hill introduced.

Harry Hill distributed handouts and legislative updates.

Duke Wrisinger commented re: effectiveness of Harry Hill as a lobbyist.

Minutes from last meeting accepted, seconded and all in favor.

Duke Wrisinger commented re: Robert's Rule of Order.

Nicole Kreisel spoke re: Lobby Day.

- o In recent years not a lot of participation, not a lot of issues to lobby for.
- o Now we have restoration of deferred compensation match as a priority.
- o Group discusses lobby day vs. taking appropriations committee to dinner.
- o Motion proposed to take committee to dinner and put lobby day on hold for a year, seconded, all in favor.

Group discussion re emailing representatives – especially appropriation committee members – about returning the state match. Suggestions about encouraging friends and family sending emails, too.

Duke said general rule is 8 emails (or letters) or more will bring it to the attention of the rep.

Brandon Cracraft/KC suggested handing out postcards at spring meetings preaddressed to representatives that request bring back state match of deferred compensation.

Nicole Kreisel spoke re: Fallen Worker's Scholarship.

- o SW Chapter received positive feedback for 2 scholarships, one for descendants of workers killed in the line of duty, one competitive each year.
- o Brandon Cracraft/KC suggested continuing to fund the scholarships by events like "Ride for Remembrance".
- o \$31,000 in the account.
- o Committee appointed consisting of Karl Desch, Dave Taylor and Nicole Kreisel to begin research and putting together a proposal.

- Group discussion re: who would be eligible to receive the fallen worker scholarship, suggestion to follow MoDOT's policy, arguments against.
- Todd suggestion to give money to the benevolent fund.

Nicole: Proposed changes and updates to the constitutions and by laws to Nicole prior to next statewide meeting. Proposals will be discussed and evaluated at that time.

Group discussion re: employee participation/non participation in TEAM. Duke Wrisinger suggested that retirees participate as chapter members. Group discussion of ideas of how to increase active employee participation and discussion re: causes of continuing decreasing participation.

Nicole Kreisel stated that she is willing to travel to chapters for events or meetings. Discussion re: statewide giving back to the district chapters. Further financial discussion by group.

Todd Tyler reports that the insurance committee has been dissolved.

- Came down to Farber's proposal vs. trooper's proposal.
- 3 voted for Farber (EAC, Farber & Keith); vote was 6 or 7 to 3.
- Awaiting commission to address insurance issue.

Sue Feltrop retiring as MoDOT employee representative on retirement board.

Chapter updates.

Todd Tyler proposes statewide meeting be held on week days or holidays as opposed to the weekends. Discussion. Decision to try and do the next meeting on Truman's birthday holiday, May 8, 2013 and go from there.