

## **Minutes of Meeting of CSTA Officers and Governors dated 2/10/09**

The meeting was held via Conference Call from 4:30 pm to 5:40 pm

**Attendees:** Linda Heuman, President  
Geff Gioia, Vice President  
Kathy Hutka, Secretary/Treasurer  
Jay Meagrow, Past President, Board Member  
Chris DeCicco, Board Member  
Dan Lind, Board Member  
Sandy Sulen, Board Member

### **Treasurer's Report:**

There were no debits/credits to the account through year end since our last meeting dated 11/24/08.

Beginning Balance as of January 1, 2009 was \$43,044.54. Expenses for the period included our post holiday party \$5,346.51 and \$13.33 (name tags and markers for party), and expenses of \$652.80 for the CSTA President's trip to STAC. Ending Balance is \$37,031.90.

### **Old Business**

The Winter Outing held January 9, 2009 at the Corner Alley was a huge success. We received a lot of positive feedback on the food and the venue.

The CSTA website is just about ready to go live. Final payment is due and Kathy Hutka received the invoice and will be sending out the check after the meeting.

We are looking into Pay Pal access for membership dues, sponsorship and payment for dinner and golf for this year's Summer Outing. Geff is working with Thunder Tech on this.

### **New Business:**

Kathy Hutka sent membership dues letters out via email on 2/2/09. Linda Heuman proposed 2 items, discounted membership fees for unemployed members for 2009 and a discounted fee on STA University. The Officers and Board unanimously voted for 1) waiving the membership fee for unemployed members in 2009, and 2) Taking ½ off the price of the first course taken through STA University for all members. Dan Lind volunteered to head the committee for promoting STA University to the members.

By Law revisions. Jay Meagrow, Linda Heuman, and Kathy Hutka will gather proposed changes to the By Laws to be voted on by members once the Website is up and running.

The summer outing will be held on June 25, 2009. The golf outing will be held on the morning of June 25<sup>th</sup> (Jay Meagrow planning the event) followed by Dinner/Casino Night on the Nautica Queen from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm. Geff Gioia and Chris DeCicco will look into prizes for the casino night, and gifts for event attendees. The after hours gathering will most likely be at Shooters. It was decided that we would recruit a couple of people we work with to be hostesses at this year's summer outing. Ideally these will be hard working individuals we work with every day that are willing to work the registration table and once they are done, they can enjoy the remainder of the evening's festivities as payment for their hard work.

The Officers and Board also unanimously agreed to keep the Post Holiday party in January, and to possibly add a Members Meeting/Cocktail Reception in October.

With regard to Sponsorship, Linda Heuman proposed more levels of sponsorship. The Officers and Board Members agreed on the following 5 levels of sponsorship:

1. Diamond \$5000.
2. Platinum \$3500.
3. Gold \$2500
4. Silver \$1500
5. Bronze \$500

Kathy Hutka and Linda Heuman will work on raising sponsorship. We will once again recruit the help of Rob Israel, Brian Cavalier, Becky Berridge and anyone else who would like to assist in our fundraising efforts.

With regard to Scholarships/Charities, Linda is looking into a Cleveland Scholarship Fund that the CSTA can become part of, and Geff is looking into the Providence House and/or Laura's home. Dan Lind is also gathering information on Bellefaire. Sandy Sulen is looking into the possibility of raising money for Charity at our Summer Dinner/Casino night event.

The next meeting of the CSTA will be scheduled sometime in late March.

Linda Heuman adjourned the meeting at 5:40 pm.