

EDGETA 2011 BOD Meeting August 19, 2011 6:56 P.M.

Roll Call taken

All directors present

Secretary Ruth Warnock was not present

New system did not work, so tapes were sent to secretary from Director, Wayne Timchuck.

Policy and Procedures.

Larry opened the meeting asking if there was anything that needed to be added or changed to the Policy and Procedures.

Dorene indicated that all directors were supposed to write a report from the Regional shows they attend. It should be sent to the National Secretary and copy to all directors. That way if the director does encounter a situation, all directors can give some input and resolve a potential problem. Also she suggested any time a director goes to a branch show and encounters a problem, that should also be shared with the remaining directors as well as the advisors in that area.

Director's Manuals

Larry said the website should be correct and all directors should update their manual occasionally.

Dick said he doesn't update his; he just goes to the internet when he wants to check something out.

Other directors said they carry their manual with them to discuss and answer questions they might have while there.

Advisors

Ruth indicated in her notes that advisors are not being used enough.

We only have 3 directors that have advisors.

Dick's comment was that his is advisor is Morey and he is the national/regional show coordinator.

Don said that his advisors (Dick and Alan do not contribute anything).

Larry told Don to take his directors off.

Dorene said that she normally takes her advisor (Darrel) with her to shows, except the last time because he was ill. He answers all steam questions for her.

New Branches

Larry reported there is a group called Putnam County FFA Tractor in Georgia that would like to join EDGE&TA. It's a school. The directors had a lengthy discussion regarding this group. They all agree we need to get the youth involved, but the parents have to be involved also in order for them to become part of EDGE&TA. George will follow through with this group and get back to the directors. Wayne said we need to check with our insurance company regarding this group. Everyone agreed.

Insurance

Larry read an email he received from Carrel Sanders regretting he could not attend the meeting.

Larry asked him about our claim status:

He said we have 3 claims

The Jerry Wilson incident is closed, where the tractor ran into the tent, paying about \$45,000.00

William Pierce, the person that hurt his foot at the tractor pull, insurance paid out \$80, 000.00

Linda Fox, the slip fall incident at the museum in CA has been sent a denial letter.

Carrel said that right now the adjuster and he have agreed they need to fight this claim. He also said ." I want to reiterate that when we lease facilities that we should define the "Scope & Area" of just what we need to lease & not the whole premises of the facility such as a large "Fair grounds". On a side note: I had a lot of calls this year from other tractor clubs, that I pitched EDGETA`s membership benefits'. Please let me know if you need anything else. I appreciate being part of your organization."

Johnny brought up insurance. It was discussed at great length.

Dick suggested Johnny be involved with our insurance.

Decision was made that there will be a meeting with the insurance rep, Larry, Dorene and Johnny and then they will get back to the directors.

Larry will set this up with Carrel when we can get Johnny and Dorene to Springfield at the same time.

Dick showed spread sheet for insurance.

Dorene made the motion to keep the membership dues and insurance premium at \$4.00 each for the next year, Johnny second. All in favor, motion carried. Dues/insurance will remain at \$8.00 per person for 2012-2013

Hall of Fame

Discussion: Change the form to emphasize what the person has done for EDGE&TA and background of accomplishments.

Dorene brought everyone up to speed as to what was done on the plaques and how they were handled this year.

One of the Hall of Fame large plaques was destroyed in a fire. 2 new ones were purchased. Johnny made motion to pay, second by Wayne \$117.00 per plaque. All were in favor. Motion carried. Dorene ordered the plaques. Need a motion to pay. George made motion to pay, second by Dick. All in favor, motion carried.

Note from Larry: It was a busy summer and Dorene ordered the plaques locally. Usually this is all done by Ruth. The quality of the plaques was the same. As it turned out the cost of the plaques were about ½ the cost that we had been paying. Ruth commented that Curtis had purchased the first plaques in 1998 when he a Ruth had taken over and that is where she had always purchased the plaques. The service had always been good and we thought we were getting a good price. We didn't follow protocol but everything worked out in the end.

There was discussion on the banner that Dorene bought. Originally she had board approval to spend 50.00 for the banner. When she ordered it she realized the information should be on both sides. George made a motion that the board approved paying the full amount, second by Dick. All approved.

Safety

Don brought up the subject of add-on weights on tractors. They need to be fastened on securely. Don said this should be in writing. He has had several branches asking about the type of weights that can be used.

Weights were discussed at great length.

Add-on weights are allowed. It is up to the individual branches on how they want to handle the add-on weights. We only require that they be securely attached to the pulling vehicle.

Larry said something needs to be written up on this subject. Larry asked Don to write something up and send it to the directors. When it is approved it will go on the web pages. All directors agreed.

Larry wrote this up while Don was on vacation.

Wayne brought up an incident about an EDGE&TA member driving his tractor was hit by an elderly gentleman who was in his car. He said he contacted "someone" and no one ever got back to him.

Wayne explained what our liability insurance covered and told the tractor driver that he needed to go after the insurance company of the man driving the car.

George also said he should have contacted his own branch.

Expense account

Larry said Ruth keeps saying we need to tighten our belt on expenditures.

Policy and procedures were discussed.

Expense guidelines:

Wayne indicated there was an error on the \$\$ he spent for gas for the regional show. Ruth had \$123.30 in the report.

Ruth Note: Correction made to Wayne's expense report for Regional show. Should be \$61.15.

Johnny indicated his proposed budget wasn't entered into the spreadsheet.

Ruth Note: It is now.

Don indicated that he spent 25.00 a meal 25 years ago. Prices have gone up. \$25.00 remains the limit; Don was told he needs to go on a diet.

Historian:

It was discussed that EDGE&TA should have a historian. The position is to start immediately. Dorene made the motion to appoint Ruth Warnock as historian, Dick second. All were in favor. Motion carried.

When does our fiscal year start? April 15th.

When should supplies be mailed to the branches?

There was a lot of discussion. Dick is the only one that still has a problem with the buttons and stickers being mailed in Feb. He would like them in January for his meeting. All the rest were ok with the way they are being mailed.

George indicated that if the buttons and stickers are sent out so a branch can have them in January for their meeting, they would actually have to get mailed out in Dec which is 4-5 months prior to the EDGE&TA physical year. Supplies are ordered by the secretary based on last year's membership.

Ruth note: to further explain this, it takes a few weeks to get ready for all this. Buying the boxes, making labels, preparing the stickers, building the boxes and counting stickers/buttons and filling them. Then take them all to the post office. That cuts into the holiday season for the secretary.

Scheduling of National & Regional Shows.

Folders for advertising.

Dorene brought a brochure to the meeting for discussion.

Looks like Don has the majority of votes for SW director.

Larry asked if we wanted to cover the selection of a new secretary.

He stated he had 4 resumes and this was the order he received them.

- 1. Lisa Raitt, Br 122 Eliot, ME**
- 2. Sally Walker, Present Web Master**
- 3. Carrie Jo Parmley, Br 124, Tyler, TX**
- 4. Debi Fry, Br. 43 and past branch 30, Granbury, TX**

Dorene said no, she wanted to read them again. It was decided, they all look them over again and Larry would send out an email to all for a vote.

Larry said Ruth suggested putting a closing date on the application of the web pages.

Ruth to be notified to have Sally put on the web site the closing date of Sept 1 as the deadline. (This was done immediately by Sally)

Then we would still have time to re-read them.

We have to have another meeting after the general meeting to officially elect the board of directors.

We did not discuss how to make the transfer of the materials from Ruth to the new secretary.

Wayne passed out his bumper stickers for safety that he had made up. They cost .99 each.

Meeting adjourned

17. Election of Officers

President: Larry Voris

Vice President: Dorene Yearian

Secretary to be Announced later

18. Committee Appointments

Steam:

George Christmas, Chairman

Dick Tombrink

Johnny Burger

Darrell Carter

Safety/Accident Review

Don Young, Chairman

Wayne Timchuck

Johnny Burger

Insurance

Dick Tombrink, Chairman

Dorene Yearian

Johnny Burger

Larry Voris

Youth Driver Program

Don Young

Hall of Fame

Tom Yearian, Chairman

Dorene Yearian

George Christmas

National/Regional Show Coordinator

Morrie Robinson

Magazine Articles

Johnny Burger

Larry Voris

Newsletter

Secretary

Web Page Committee
Larry Voris, Chairman
Secretary

All of the above was voted and approved after the National meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Ruth A. Warnock, Secretary
Taped by Wayne Timchuk, NE Director