



**PALICA Board of Directors Meeting
Barkeyville, PA
November 9, 2019**

Call to Order: Chairman Evelyn Cottrell called meeting to order at 5:00 pm. Joanie did the roll call. Evelyn Cottrell did invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Members in Attendance: Joanie Micsky, Gary Theuret, Chris Moore, Evelyn & Richard G. Cottrell, Ron Ronciglione, Jeremy Pruskowski, Cory Stuchel, Dan Micsky, William Guiste

Members Absent:

Motion for Approval of Minutes from the November 9th meeting was made by Dan Micsky, seconded by Jeremy Pruskowski, all were in favor, motion carried.

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

President, Chris Moore: No Report

Chairman, Evelyn Cottrell: She reported on the meeting at UFG's headquarters in August that she, Richard and Joanie attended on behalf of PALICA.

Treasurer's Report:

Joanie presented the year end financials to be reviewed by the board. They will be accepted subject to an audit. Dan Micsky made a motion to accept the financial report subject to an audit, Gary Theuret seconded, all were in favor and motion carried.

COMMITTEES & REPORTS:

Associates:

Jeremy Pruskowski said A. R. Beatty's and Kubota would like to be involved in another Make A Wish event in Erie this summer/fall.

Awards/Scholarship:

Evelyn mentioned she hoped we'd get submissions for awards at the banquet in February. She also mentioned that the Scholarship deadline will be changed to March 31st of each year to correspond to National LICA's deadline.

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By-Laws/POLICY: No report.

Nominating: No report

Convention: Joanie reported on the line up of speakers and classes that will take place in State College along with Associates' Night plans and the hope for new attendees. It was also discussed that since this will be PALICA's 50th Anniversary, we should incorporate that theme into the weekend. Founding members that are still around will be invited to the banquet as well.

Education/Trainings: Dan spoke about the PUC taking over 811 as a money-making transition for the state of Pennsylvania. More fines have been written in the first 6 months than in 1976-2019.

Legislation Dan covered an amendment for all utilities to mark services – anything that could be hit, using PUC's rules. It's sent to legislators and PALICA signed on in support along with NUCA of PA.

Long Range Planning: All felt we are moving in the right direction and to keep on with what's working to grow and include members into the benefits of being a member.

Insurance: No report

Membership: Joanie reported we are hedging towards 170 members, but that doesn't include those that will fall into the "drop" category. Those members will be permanently removed from the membership listing as of 4/1/20. She will work hard to communicate benefits to those that joined through an avenue that wasn't represented correctly (ie. Medico with the CASE Program) as well as staying on top of those enrolled in the UFG program.

On-Site Waste Management: No report

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OLD BUSINESS: Dan spoke about Conservation District opportunities for our next “field day” event.

National LICA wants chapters to reconnect with Conservation Districts’ in their state. That was what LICA was founded on to begin with. He said the Mercer County Conservation District will get the necessary permits and contractor members can do the work. He will try and set up a meeting with the Conservation District manager and anyone else that can attend is welcome to join in the planning. It might make sense to incorporate dealers into this day which will require members to touch base with their contacts and talk this up. It will have to be agreed to with the Conservation District as well.

NEW BUSINESS:

- It was discussed that we look into obtaining the ability to process credit cards on our state level and not rely on National office to do it for us. Sandhill Global is a new associate member and offers that benefit at very affordable rates along with the mobile card reader. Dan made a motion to buy into the program for the Executive Director to utilize for dues payments, advertising payments from associates and auction purchases at the conventions. Cory Stuchal seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.
- Bill Guiste told the board he would be happy to step down as a board member because he sees the younger people coming into the association and it’s time they step into the role he’s held for many years. He’ll always be a PALICA member.

Motion to adjourn at 6:45pm by Dan Micsky, and seconded by Gary Theuret - motion passed unanimously.

Next meeting: February 8, 2020.