



## Chicago Section IFT Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

**Date: March 16, 2011**

**Place: Oak Brook Marriott – Oak Brook, IL 60523**

**Time: 3:30 – 5:00PM**

Editor's Note: These Executive Committee minutes are provided for early member information, but are not yet approved and are subject to correction

Secretary's Note: Reports submitted were submitted during the EXCOM meeting. They are not a part of the minutes published in the newsletter. Reports are available upon request.

**Attending Officers:** Uwe Nienaber, Pamela Vaillancourt, John Chambers, John Smith

**Executive Committee:** Krista Ruhnke, Matt Hutchinson, Bob Raynor, Linda Kragt, Dean Lustig, Linda Perucca, Susan Monkton, Laura Grey, John Schuette

**Committee Chairs:** Atul Khare, Zuoxing Zheng, Mike Carson, Jim Anderson, Zuoxing Zheng

**Guests:** Gerald Bard, Ann Menniger Johnson, Marla Todd, Dean Duxbury

**Staff:** Lynnda Nelson

**Call to order** Meeting called to order at 3:37 PM Pamela Vaillancourt

**Approval of Previous Minutes** John Chambers

**Chair Elect Report** Uwe Nienaber  
No report. Vijay Aurora was elected as the new Chair Elect for 2011-2012.

**Treasurer's Report** John Smith  
Total balance of funds was discussed.

**CSIFT Business Office (IAMI) Report** Lynnda Nelson  
Report was submitted. There will be a short closed session or conference call to discuss the direction CSIFT will go for their business office contract for 2011-2012.

### New Business

- There is a conference call request to be held prior to the April 11th CSIFT Meeting. Discussion will be on the CSIFT Business Office Contract.
- CSIFT Elections Results for 2011-2012. Effective 9/1/11.



## Chicago Section IFT the First Section



Past Chair – Pam Vaillancourt  
New Chair Elect – Vijay Aurora  
Chair – Uwe Nienaber  
Secretary – John Chambers  
Treasurer – John Smith

- New EXCOM Member Election Results for 2011-2012. Effective 9/1/11.  
Bill Becht  
Laura Colby  
Ann Johnson  
Sue Monckton
- CSIFT Members that have been elected to IFT positions  
IFT President-Elect – John Ruff  
Board of Directors– Linda Perucca
- Resonate is a mobile component that can be added to Supplier's Night to obtain on the spot info on suppliers. It can also be a revenue option for CSIFT. The CSIFT is looking into the benefits of this tool.
- A new Marketing Chair has been named. Dean Lustig will be the new Chair for the Marketing Committee.

### **Hospitality Committee**

John Chambers

Report was submitted with details on Student Night and the student tour at Sara Lee. Each student participating in student night will receive a goodie bag that will be filled with candy and promotional items from Chicago based companies. The committee needs committee members and volunteers for student night. In an addition to the speed networking and resume building Mr. Gary Miller from Miller Resource Group will be giving a 15 minute lecture on job interview tips along with successful ways to obtain a job as a student starting their career.

### **House Committee**

Matt Hutchinson

Report submitted. Matt Hutchinson has been announced as the House Committee Chairman for 2011-2012. There were 103 people signed up for the March dinner meeting. Next month will be at the Burr Ridge Marriott.

### **Long Range Planning Committee**

Atul Khare/Gerald Bard

Report submitted. The USP sponsored program is scheduled for May 17<sup>th</sup> 2011 at Northern University in Hoffman Estates, IL. This is an all day event. This event is still in the planning stage including registration fees, and any other costs involved.



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### **Membership Committee**

John Schuette

Report submitted. Survey was sent out to members that had their membership lapsed. Committee recently had a meeting on 3/10/11. They are working on a membership brochure to put on the CSIFT website that will relay membership info. They are in need of additional volunteers for the committee.

### **Members in Transition Committee**

Sanford Wolgel

Report Submitted.

### **Program Committee**

Uwe Nienaber

No Report. They are looking to set a committee meeting soon.

### **Tanner Committee Report**

Zuoxing Zheng

Report submitted.

### **Scholarship Committee**

Marla Jo Todd

Report submitted. JBT Scholarship received \$8,000 per year from CSIFT. A general endowment is \$25,000.

### **Marketing Committee**

Laura Colby (interim)

A new Marketing Chair has been named. Dean Lustig will be the new Chair for the Marketing Committee.

### **Suppliers Night Committee**

Joe Stout

Report submitted. Planning meeting for next week. They are submitting request for more volunteers.

### **Young Professionals Committee**

Michael Carson

Recently did a CSIFT recruiting visit to the University of Illinois. They were able to give a general overview of CSIFT to 30 students. Next event will be to volunteer at the Greater Chicago Food Depository on March 30<sup>th</sup>. This event is open to all members.

### **Nominating Committee**

Diane Dawson

No report.

### **Finance Committee**

Luci Landberg Maass

No report.

### **Host Section Activities Committee**

Linda Perucca

No report.

### **Newsletter Committee**

Anna Lovis



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No report.

### **By-Laws Committee**

No report.

Mona Reinhard

### **Website Committee**

No report.

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### **C-Far Committee**

No report.

Nate Matusheski

### **Golf Outing Committee**

No report.

Mike Hosler

### **Communication Committee**

No report.

Susan Nielsen

### **Historian Committee**

No report.

Dave LeVally

### **Auditing Committee**

No report.

Thomas Gush

### **Continuing Education Committee**

No report.

Terry Cummings

### **Directory Committee**

No Report.

Bill Becht

### **Employment Committee**

No report.

Gary Willis

### **Minuteman Committee**

No report.

James Anderson

### **Awards**

No report

Diane Dawson

Motion to adjourn meeting at 5:03 PM – The motion was second and carried.

**Submitted by: John Chambers**  
**CSIFT Secretary**