



Chicago Section IFT the First Section



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.



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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 17th 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 30th. 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.

Open

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**