

**CREDIT PROFESSIONALS INTERNATIONAL**

**2015 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES**

**DISTRICT 5 CPI**

**THE TOWER HOTEL**

**OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA**

**MARCH 27, 2015**

The meeting was **called to order** at 1:26 PM by President Charmaine Lucas.

**Roll call** was taken by Secretary Jean Jervis with a quorum present.

**Minutes** from the 2014 Annual Meeting were approved by email as presented.

Our International guests were: First Vice President- Cindy Westenhofer

Immediate Past President- Sue Heusing

There were 11 members in attendance.

Committee reports:

**Advisory/Education:** Jim Lucas & Martha Philip. NO REPORT

**Awards:** Jim Lucas & Martha Philip. It was recommended to have the committee chair to mail info about the awards before the deadline, suggested this to be sent at least 30 days in advance.

**Audit:** Barbara Hall & Charles Gordon: The treasurer's books were audited on 3-27-2015 and found to be in balance, with one outstanding check to a scholarship winner in the amount of \$250.00 that has yet to be cashed. (Advised Steve to send a letter to this winner and give a deadline to cash this or it will be voided.)

**Budget/Finance:** Steve Lindgren & Charmaine Lucas. The 2015-2016 budget was presented and an amended entry were made. 1. There were 11 x \$35.00 registrations to conference to be added. 2. Delete VP office and the expenses. 3. Change Secretary/Treasurer expense to \$600.00 instead of \$616.00. 4. Jean Jervis moved to change the scholarship expense to \$1000.00, up from \$500.00, to allow for either increasing the amount we award, now \$250 or by adding 2 more scholarships. This is to start in 2016. 5. Jean Jervis also moved to expense a monetary amount of \$500 to add to the fundraising efforts for Cindy Westenhofer's International presidential expenses. M/C on all of the above recommendations.

**Bylaws:** Sue Heusing and Jean Jervis Sue will review the current bylaws and make sure they are up to date.

**Marketing:** Martha Philip. Martha wants to thank Cindy Westenhofer for her contributions to Facebook for Credit Professionals International.

**Membership/Education:** Linda Bridgeford & Kathryn Greiner. Linda reported a total of 5 new members with a total of 45 as of 3-12-15.

**Nominating:** Linda Bridgeford, Jim Lucas and Sue Heusing. Linda Bridgeford, on behalf of the nominating committee made a motion that the following slate of officers for 2015-16 be approved as presented: President: Jean Jervis, Secretary: Charmaine Lucas, Treasurer: Steve Lindgren Motion Carried

**Parliamentary Advisor:** Jean Jervis. NO REPORT.

**Public Relations:** Cindy Westenhofer. Just email her information you want on the webpage, ready to print.

**Strategic Planning:** Barb Chapin, Linda Bridgeford and Cindy Westenhofer. The meeting will be on October 16 – 17, 2015 at the Drury Inn in St. Louis. The room rates are \$119.00 per night.

**Scholarships:** Steve Lindgren & Jim Lucas: There were 33 entries submitted. The volunteers to help judge them are: Barbara Hall, Jim Lucas, Sue Heusing, Charles Gordon and Steve Lindgren. A new topic for next year's scholarship is needed as soon as possible.

**Ways and Means:** Charmaine Lucas and Martha Philip. There will be 2 \$1.00 in the air at the banquet. One will be from District 5 and the other from District 7 & 9. The total money from both will be divided evenly between both districts.

#### **Old Business**

**New Business:** Barb Chapin had sent several questions on behalf of her local membership 1. Was an agenda sent to members or the local Presidents for the Annual District meeting? 2. Are financials sent to all members or are they on the website for review? 3. Was the slate of officers sent to the members or the local President for voting? 4. Why can't local members vote in District as at International? 5. Were all locals asked if anyone wanted to be on the slate of officers? 6. Why is District always in the West? Jean Jervis will be responding to Barb Chapin.

Jean Jervis recommended we combine International Conference and the District 5 Conference in 2016 in Ann Arbor. Discussion followed, but no final decision was made.

**Announcements:** 2015 CPI International Conference, June 10 -14 at the Hilton in Marietta, Georgia.

2015 Strategic Planning Meeting, October 16 & 17 at the Drury Hotel in St. Louis, Missouri. Room rates are \$119.00 per night.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:47 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Jean M. Jervis, Secretary