

ASIS GREATER MILWAUKEE CHAPTER 058
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING JANUARY 15TH 2013

1 – Attendance:

- Matt Blowers CPP (Chair)
- Eric Biernat CPP (Vice Chair)
- Alan Koepke (Treasurer)
- Willie Wills CPP (Secretary)
- David Kurtz
- Don McInnes PSP
- Dave Dulaney CPP
- Matt Anderson
- Mike Zens
- Mike Dahm CPP
- Lori Dahm CFSSP

2 – Apologies received:

- Sharon Bieszek
- Mark Riesinger CPP
- Jim Waack
- Jon Phillis
- Michael Schaefer CPP

3- Opening

Matt Blowers (MB) opened the meeting at 3.40pm and thanked all those present for taking the time to attend. He relayed the details of those who had intimated their apologies and went on to introduce the newly elected board officers; Eric Biernat (EB), Vice Chair, Alan Koepke (AK) Treasurer and Willie Wills (WW), Secretary.

MB stated that he was honored to be elected to Chair the Chapter and continued to outline that his intention is to build on the foundation of good work and good will established by the Chapter over previous years.

In order to allow for focus on providing 6 high quality events each year he asked that members of any current 'Ad-Hoc' committees align themselves with the most appropriate standing committee.

ACTION – members of 'Ad-Hoc' committees to align with the most appropriate standing committee. Pass details to Willie Wills (WW).

MB asked that the theme leads on each of the standing committees establish core groups within their committee to focus on their specific areas and drive progress forward.

ACTION – Theme leads to establish core groups within their committees – report to next meeting.

EB stated that he also was happy to have this opportunity to serve the Chapter. Some of the ideas he will develop over the coming year include making the most of networking opportunities with other groups who have some stake in security. He will also explore the possibility of finding sponsorship for some of some of our events.

4 – Adoption of minutes from last meeting

The minutes have not been posted as yet – Dave Dulaney (DD) will arrange prior to the next meeting.

ACTION – DD to circulate minutes of December meeting.

5 – Treasurers Report

AK reported to the meeting that all the necessary paperwork had been completed to transition the Treasurer's responsibility to him. He will be in a position to provide a report on current balance, recent income and expenditure and projected budget outturn at each future meeting.

MB added that the previous year's accounts had been audited and found to be correct and acceptable. He took this opportunity to thank Mike Dahm for his service as Treasurer and stated he would return to that theme at the end of the meeting.

6 – Secretary's Report

WW thanked David Dulaney (DD) for a smooth handover and also for his offer to assist during the settling in phase. This being his first meeting he had nothing further to add.

7 - Membership Committee Report; Jon Phillis (JP)

As JP was absent no report was submitted.

8 – Web Site

David Kurtz (DK) reported that the website seems to be operating smoothly. The Chapter Calendar is now available there and the event links on it can be followed to find details of the event itself. Details of the forthcoming ASIS/SHRM event have been circulated by email.

MB queried whether we could build the History section of the website to reflect some of the characters who have been involved and the past achievements of the Chapter. Mike Dahm (MD) advised that there is a box of Chapter memorabilia that may assist this process – the box is currently with Mark Riesinger (MR).

ACTION – MB to contact MR and arrange to pick up the memorabilia.

MB commented that the process of creating our history page might well allow us to re-engage with previously active members of the Chapter and encourage them to become involved once again. With some 200 current Chapter members we routinely attract only 30 – 40 to our events and we should all consider how that situation might be improved.

ACTION – All board members to consider ways in which we might encourage past and present members to become more active within the Chapter.

Don McInnes (DMcI) volunteered to contact some long term chapter members and canvass for them to return (or offer reasons why they prefer not to).

ACTION – DMcI to contact long term chapter members regarding reengagement and report to next meeting.

Ideas for future consideration:

DD – Suggests Email blast to entire membership.

MD – Suggests reach out to employers/manager to encourage them to allow members to attend meetings and events.

MB concluded this section by asking that all board members look for opportunities to develop networking with other bodies to maximize the quality and breadth of appeal of our events.

ACTION – All board members to develop networking opportunities.

9 - Law Enforcement Liaison

Mike Zens (MZ) reported that he had represented the Chapter by attending the funeral of the recently murdered Wauwatosa Police Officer. He had spoken with her Chief (Chief Weber) and extended an invitation to attend our fall Law Enforcement event where they could speak in happier circumstances. He had nothing to report regarding the fall event at this stage

MZ continued to pay a personal compliment to Mike and Lori Dahm for their commitment to ASIS, the Chapter and the Security Industry over many years. He wished them well in this new phase of their lives.

10 – Certification

In the absence of Michael Schaefer (MS), MB reported that the previous classes in certification had been considered a success and that they will be run again in

the fall to dovetail with the academic year. It is not certain what classes will be offered at this stage.

11- **Newsletter**

MB said that the website had taken the place of the newsletter and this item can be removed from the agenda.

12 – **Young Professionals**

Matt Anderson (MA) reported that developing this initiative was proving to be more challenging than he had anticipated. He had contacted various other Chapters and discovered that his experience was common to them all with the only success story being in Chicago and even there they only attracted 47 attendees.

MA continued to advise that he has pursued this issue by contacting the job placement/career development personnel at MATC, WATC, Everest Brown College, Carroll University and Marquette University. These individuals have large numbers of students completing criminal justice courses with a view to seeking a career in Law Enforcement. With very few openings in this field many may in any event gravitate to Private Security and – as well qualified and motivated young people – they would be good prospects to expose to the Young Professionals program. MA expressed the hope that by exposing them to potential career opportunities in Private Security they will start their working lives with a positive view of the industry.

He has a program of three targeted presentations to deliver to education professionals between February and May to encourage attendance at the main Young Professionals event in Pewaukee in May.

ACTION – MA to provide DK with dates and venues for all the forthcoming events so they can be entered on the website.

MB stated that he spoke for all the board in expressing his thanks to MA for continuing to drive this initiative forward.

12 – **Legislative**

Nothing to report.

14 - **Ad Hoc Committee report**

MB stated that anything which might have come under this category was now covered in an established section. This item can be removed from the agenda (with members of Ad Hoc committees aligning themselves with existing sections as previously described).

15 – Any other business

1 – MB reminded all present that the forthcoming ASIS/SHRM Workplace Violence Standard Seminar (March 6th) was shaping to be a class leading event. Spaces are limited to 100 and 27 registrations have already been received. Anyone planning to attend should consider registering in the near future to avoid disappointment. Encourage colleagues – especially from HR units to consider attending.

2 -DD stated that he and Bob Wiedel (BW) were in the early stages of preparation for the golf outing. MB reminded everyone that this event is our big money earner for the year and to encourage as good an attendance as possible.

3 – DMcl made a personal statement of thanks to Mike and Lori Dahm for their friendship, encouragement and commitment to the Chapter over many years.

4 – Lori Dahm responded stating she had enjoyed her time with the Chapter and was leaving with many happy memories. She wished the Chapter and the Board every success in the future.

5 – MB made a formal address of thanks to both Lori and Mike and presented Mike with an engraved money clip, being an appropriate token of appreciation for his work as Chapter Treasurer. As neither Sharon Bieszk nor Mark Riesinger were present MB showed the board the tokens he would present to them privately on behalf of the chapter as thanks for their hard work. For Sharon he had an engraved pen and for Mark an engraved stein – he will present both items prior to the next meeting if at all possible.

15 – Closure

There being no other business DK moved to close at 5.00pm. This was seconded by WW and MB accordingly declared the meeting closed, thanked everyone for their attendance and wished them a safe journey home.

16 – Minutes Circulation

These minutes were electronically circulated to the officers of the Board on January 25th. Matt Blowers asked for a motion to enter them on the Website prior to the next meeting so that the members can review them, address the action points and be prepared to make a quick and informed decision regarding formal adoption at the next meeting. Alan Koepke so moved, seconded by William Wills.

Summary of actions:

<u>Section</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Person Responsible</u>	<u>Report to/when</u>
<u>3</u>	Members of 'Ad-Hoc' committees to align with the most appropriate standing committee.	Members of Ad Hoc Committees	W.Wills before next meeting
<u>3</u>	Theme leads to establish core groups within their committees – report to next meeting.	Theme leads	Report to next meeting
<u>4</u>	DD to circulate minutes of December meeting.	Dave Dulaney	Next meeting.
<u>8</u>	Matt Blowers to pick up memorabilia from Mark Riesinger.	Matt Blowers	Next meeting
<u>8</u>	All board members to consider ways in which we might encourage past and present members to become more active within the Chapter	All Board members	Next meeting
<u>8</u>	DMcI to contact long term chapter members regarding reengagement and report to next meeting	Don McInnes	Next meeting
<u>8</u>	All board members to develop networking opportunities	All board members	Ongoing
<u>12</u>	MA to provide DK with dates and venues for all the forthcoming events so they can be entered on the website.	Matt Anderson	As soon as possible