

IRWA REGION 2
2005 Toronto International Conference
Forum Meeting

June 13, 2005 – 7:30 A.M.
Westin Harbour Castle
30 members in attendance

Region Chair John McLerran, SRWA, called the meeting to order, welcomed all Region 2 members to the Caucus and introduced Valerie Fries, Director of Professional Development, who invited members with any questions or concerns about our education and/or designation programs to feel free to contact her.

David Sinclair, President of the IRWA Education Foundation, reported that assets of the Foundation were down some \$12,000 from the previous year, but that it was explained that the Foundation had spent over \$100,000 on course development in the last year and they would possibly be at the \$1.12 million by the end of year 2005.

Donations in memory of W.H. “Howard” Armstrong, SRWA, stood at \$14,080 as of this date with additional receipts expected.

One of the candidates for the two vacant IEC positions, Clyde Johnson, SRWA, presented his platform along with a request for the Region’s delegates to consider voting for him to fill one of the open positions on the IEC.

Minutes from the 2004 Education Seminar were distributed, read and approved. Region Secretary Wayne Goss called roll of the chapters and declared that a quorum was in attendance.

Region Chair John McLerran, SRWA, briefly discussed information regarding resolutions proposed for discussion and vote at the Board of Director’s meeting later in the week, as well as the election of two IEC members.

Region Vice-Chair Randy Williams, SRWA, thanked all chapters for their work to produce the 2005 Region 2 Education Refresher Seminar to be held in College Station, TX, August 3-5. He also briefly discussed changes to the format of the meeting, including the proposed on-line registration, and asked that all chapters work to provide June Housman with workshop and speaker information as soon as possible. He also announced that the deadline for applications for the Region 2 “Professional of the Year” would be June 30.

There was a request to have June Housman arrange an email “blast” to remind members that the preferred method of registration for our A&M Seminar was on-line.

Randy Williams, SRWA, Region Vice-Chair, delivered a short notification of the status of plans for the 2006 Winter Forum (Feb. 8, 9, & 10) to be held in Hot Springs, and that preparations for

the 2008 International Conference in Austin, TX, were on schedule.

On an additional note, Randy discussed having the Region offer incentives to have more SRWA's designated, i.e., subsidies, etc.

Douglas "Sandy" Grigg, SRWA, spoke to the attendees offering himself as a candidate for an IEC position in a campaign against solely Clyde Johnson, SRWA.

Mention was made of a reception to be held in the Pier Room Tuesday evening after the auction and all Region members were invited.

Steve Benson, Region 2 INEC Vice-Chair, requested that all chapter and Region voting delegates contact him to be sure all necessary documentation was in order to qualify the maximum number of eligible voting delegates..Steve also described possible scenarios that could arise with regard to nominations from the floor at the BOD meeting,

Region Chair John McLerran, SRWA asked for any additional items of new business and there being none, the meeting was adjourned.

Wayne Goss
Region Secretary