

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

MINUTES

March 21, 2006

The meeting by conference call was called to order by Bob Kass, Chair at 4:35 p.m. Members of the committee present were Bob Kass, Chair; Chris Champion; Geoff Greenough; Dwayne Kalynchuk; Larry Lux; Ross Vincent; and Diane Linderman, Board Liaison. Marty Basta, Vanessa Conrad, Rachel Lazarus, and Zeferino Sanchez were absent. Helena Allison, chair of the APWA/SPWA/CZPWA Partnership Task Force and Doug Wesselschmidt, KC Metro Chapter international liaison were also in attendance. Kaye Sullivan staffed the committee.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the February 28, 2006 meeting were approved by consensus.

Future Reporter Articles

Ross will provide an article on the INGENIUM Conference and a large grant secured by INGENIUM for the May issue and Bob will provide an article on public works management in El Salvador for the June issue.

Discussion of Criteria for International Award

The committee agreed with the draft criteria presented for the new International Award with the exception of changing the word "association" to "entity" under Purpose. ***A motion was presented, seconded and carried to send forward to the Awards Review Committee the proposal and criteria for an International Award to begin in 2007.***

Update on 2005-2006 Work Plans

APWA/AMMAC: The AMMAC proposal for development and implementation of a marketing plan for expanding APWA membership and programs and services in Latin America was reviewed and the committee agreed to move forward with it in the budget process. On the next conference call, discussion will be held on the Texas Chapter promotion for the 2007 Congress.

APWA/IPWEA/INGENIUM: Bob Freudenthal, APWA President; Patricia Bugas-Schramm, a Jennings Randolph fellow; and Ric Robertshaw will all be attending the INGENIUM Conference.

APWA/SPWA/CZPWA: Dwayne Kalynchuk, Past President; John Lisenko, a Jennings Randolph fellow; and Helena Allison will be attending the SPWA and CZPWA conferences/tours. There is a possibility that Milan Rezabek may attend also. CZPWA would like to have a presentation on the New Orleans situation.

Update on 2006 International Reception

Doug Wesselschmidt advised that the International Reception will be held Monday evening at Congress from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. He is trying to locate a Czech group in the Kansas City area.

Revisions to Jennings Randolph Guidelines, Criteria and Application Form

The committee reviewed the proposed changes to the Jennings Randolph guidelines, criteria and application form. Larry will make the changes identified and send to staff for review and sending to the entire committee.

Next Committee Meeting

The committee agreed to meet by conference call on the third Tuesday of each month at 4:30 p.m., Central. The next conference call will be April 25, 2006.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.