

National Chimney Sweep Guild
Board of Directors Meeting
July 23, 2013
CSIA Technology Center, Plainfield, IN

President Diane Pilger called the meeting of the National Chimney Sweep Guild Board of Directors to order at 8:18 am.

Directors Present: Jeremy Biswell, Gregg Boss, Jasper Drenkler, Bob Ferrari, Bob Fleer, Ken Hoelscher, Fred Joy, Phil Mitchell, Diane Pilger, Edmund Poplawski, Ron Rust, Jay Walker (ex-officio)

Directors Absent: None Absent

Staff Present: Melissa Heeke, Ashley Eldridge, Candice Bradbury and Tracy Marshall

Guests Present: Kristen Hoelscher

A motion was made by Edmund Poplawski and seconded by Ron Rust to approve the minutes of the May 2013 meeting. Voting in favor: All in favor. Motion carries.

President's Report: ([Read the report here.pdf](#)) As submitted by Diane Pilger.

Treasurer's Report: As submitted by Bob Fleer. A discussion was held regarding membership renewals.

A motion was made by Bob Ferrari and seconded by Gregg Boss to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Voting in favor: All in favor. Motion carries.

Interim Executive Director's Report: ([Read the report here.pdf](#)) As submitted by Ashley Eldridge.

Legal Report: As submitted by Tracy Marshall. A discussion was held regarding partnership arrangements. She also provided the board with a refresher on NCSG's Antitrust Compliance Guidelines.

Consent Agenda ([Read the consent agenda and committee reports here.pdf](#))

A discussion was held regarding providing value to Supplier members.

A motion was made by Gregg Boss and seconded by Edmund Poplawski to accept the consent agenda as presented. Voting in favor: All in favor. Motion carries.

Committee Reports

ED Search and Transition Committee Report - Edmund Poplawski provided an update on the Executive Director search. A new Executive Director should be in place by September 1.

Government Affairs Report – Phil Mitchell provided an update on potential certification relining legislation which has been introduced in Pennsylvania. He commended John Schofield's efforts on behalf of sweeps in the state.

Governance Report – Jay Walker provided an update on potential candidates for the upcoming board election.

The meeting was recessed at 9:26am.

The meeting was called back into session at 9:55am.

Old Business

None submitted to date.

New Business

- **Scholarship Program**

Fred Joy presented the concept of Guild-sponsored scholarship program for children of NCSG members. Diane Pilger appointed Fred Joy as chair of the Sponsorship Committee.

- **A motion was made** by Gregg Boss and seconded by Jasper Drengler to increase the Voting membership dues to \$479 for FY13-14. Voting in favor: Jeremy Biswell, Gregg Boss, Jasper Drengler, Bob Fleer, Ken Hoelscher, Fred Joy, Phil Mitchell, Edmund Poplawski, Ron Rust. Voting against: Bob Ferrari. Abstaining: Diane Pilger. Motion carries.
- **Approval of Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Budget**
A motion was made by Ken Hoelscher and seconded by Ron Rust to approve the FY13-14 budget as presented. Voting in favor: Jeremy Biswell, Gregg Boss, Jasper Drengler, Bob Ferrari, Bob Fleer, Ken Hoelscher, Fred Joy, Phil Mitchell, Edmund Poplawski, Ron Rust. Abstaining: Diane Pilger. Motion carries.
- **Determination of Next Meeting: Teleconference**

The next meeting will be held online and via teleconference at 9am Eastern on November 6, 2013.

A motion was made by Phil Mitchell and seconded by Jasper Drengler to adjourn the meeting. Voting in favor: All in favor. Motion carries.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40am.