

Minutes CAHPI- Atlantic- Truro meeting: Sept. 22.08

Meeting open at 10:20 am

Chairman- Blaine Swan

Roll call: 33 members present & 2 guests

Present:

Pierre Albert, Thomas Bogi, Phil Brun, Russell Cook, Michael Derrah(8), Armand Dufresne, Allan Dempsey, Stephen Garland, Robert Gallant (honeymoon), Terry Gordon, Perry Gillingham, Stephen Hall, Peter Hope, Brian Hutchison, Stephen Hynes, James Kane, Brian Kohler, Normand LeBlanc, Sam Lorefice, Rod MacKinnon, Steven Manual, Brian MacNeish, Robert MacArthur, Jason Matheson, Scott MacLean, Dale Mullen, Ed Poirier, Don Myers(1/2), Greg Rhyno, Darren Smith, Carl Thorne, Douglas Thorne, Charles Wood, Ray Chevarie, Blaine Swan, David Hunt, Bruce Hennessy, Chuck Crocker, Lawrence Englehart, Bert Gaudet, Tim Ford.

Minutes from previous meeting: accepted as circulated.

Reports- Blaine

- attended CAHPI Newfoundland meeting. 3 TIPRs conducted.
- NL now has 9 members
- good group, very active and supportive
- they will provide volunteer security at our conference
- reminder that next month is our National conference
- National conference preparations going well,
- thank you to conference committee members for all the hard work and commitment.
- more volunteers needed, sign up list circulated.
- there are red CAHPI-Atlantic shirts for all volunteers to wear.
- several sample reports from members have been verified
- some CAHPI exams have been submitted and marked.
- Dalhousie University is partnering with Carson Dunlop to delivery a home inspection training program.

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Treasurer- Sam

- attendance at our National conference is very important.
- there are many benefits from training and networking
- we are hoping for 400 attendees, Please register ASAP, today is last day for the discount.

Secretary- Armand

- article published in NSAR newsletter about reasons to hire a CAHPI inspector.(passed around a copy)
- we will be exhibiting at the NSAR conference Sept 25 -27.08.
we need volunteers to man the booth.

Professional Standards- Glen -absent

RHI standards-Charles Wood

- requirements to obtain and maintain RHI designation is not the same in all provinces, but most have something in place.
- National convention counts for 16 points
- you will need proof of 40 MRC credits every 2 years. Mandatory!
- there will be a list of approved training programs and point values.
- you will be able to carry forward 50% of points from previous year (1 year max). to be clarified??
- E&O Insurance not required by all associations.
- Charlie suggested that we should require it for our members.

National Conference committee- Terry Gordon

- Estimates for conference is 400, based on Calgary and Collingwood.
- Halifax is considered a better site(destination)
- Free parking for guests.
- Times are tough for sponsors but we are still getting good support.

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Pillar to Post, Amerispec, Carson Dunlop, House Master, Global, and other sponsors for breakfast, lunch, and awards dinner, and seminars.

- we have blocked a group of rooms, we may be required to pay the cost of unused rooms. Special price offer to members, so please book a room.
- Shirts to volunteers is a gift for helping out.
- List of volunteers circulating. You will be contacted by committee chair for task assignment.
- Dale needs some help moving heavy stuff Thursday night.
- some off site tours may be cancelled due to low interest shown.
- Registration is Thursday. Volunteers in place (Sam)

Progress re licensing - Blaine

- NSAR and Real Estate have endorsed our plan.
- 3 groups or guys to be involved in the design initiative?
Blaine needs to clarify.
- we are being watched, letters of endorsement and VIPS attending our conference.
- investigation of new home construction. Blaine met with Jamie Muir and government consultant.
- Paul Wilson, at National level committee, working with builders to look at situation. New Home Inspection Protocol is one of the presentations at the conference.
- Terry Gordon, mentioned that we can't get upset about slowness of government, and need to insure we have a good political contact to take/address issues for us.
- Blaine believes that Jamie Muir is a good and appropriate contact.

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New Business

- Blaine to look in to a new web site consultant (Alpha Computers-Jeff Brown)
- National certificate holder versus RHI. Ontario is not convinced they are equal.
- TIPR- requirements back to 1 instead of 2 ??
- Ray and Brian being listed for testing.
- Charles has someone who could provide a Part 9 course.
2 day course for group +/- \$1000.

Motion made to have Charles look into viability, contents, and trainer qualifications, etc. and report back before engaging his services.

First : Lawrence Englehart

Second: Doug Thorne

Motioned carried. (1 nay, Russell Cook)

- comment from the floor that course may not meet PDI requirements.

- Tom Glauser- retiring. Blaine read letter from Tom.

- AGM will be in Moncton, last week of Jan or Feb. 09.
1 day meeting?

-Discussion about part 9 "The House" content.
Education committee should approve any training before implementation

- CAHPI needs to improve its website presence.
- Motion made to test optimizing website by using a free 3 month trial on yahoo or google.

First: James Kane

Second: Pierre Albert

Motioned: carried

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- Blaine mentioned that we may also be able to have computer training from Alpha Computers that would help us make better use of our website.

Lunch break

Afternoon:

Most of the afternoon session was an open forum of questions and answers from the floor and the chair. A training session in disguise. There is a wealth of knowledge in our group that every one of us can learn from.

The next meeting is Nov.24th in Amherst at the Wandlyn Inn.