

## IWPCA Collection System Committee Meeting September 25, 2008 Minutes

The IWPCA Collection System Committee met at the Marshalltown, Iowa Best Western Conference Center on September 25, 2007. The attendees included: Mark McGuire, Paul Druivenga, Glen Peterson, Steve Simons, Roger McFarland, Ron Covert, Lavern Cole, Ken Goering, Mike Czipar. The meeting began at 9:02 AM.

It was announced that Bryan Welch had returned to North Carolina and Brian McCrary from Insituform will be taking his place on our committee.

Glen Petersen presented information regarding an increase in the exam fee from ABC of \$22 to \$26 per exam. Glen made a motion to increase the exam fee to \$45 from \$35 and renewal at \$20 to cover the increase in cost and prepare for the future. It was seconded by Ken Goering. The motion passed unanimous. Glen will update the exam fee. This spring will be a renewal year and we will be on the DNR 2 year schedule. Glen gave a report on an Idaho ABC collection system exam survey. Glen reported that he had responded to questions regarding training CEU credit acceptability. The new standardized exams will be coming out in January, 2009. There will be a new exam CD that we will have to purchase.

The Specialty Conference dates are March 4, 5&6 at the Iowa Best Western in Marshalltown, Iowa. There will be a \$300 flat fee for renting linens – table clothes and skirts this year and an additional \$125 per day fee for the Lavalier Microphone. Steve Simons asked about doing dual screens. We are going to move forward with this idea. Deana Davis presented the new price sheets and menu pricing changes. The committee chose to keep the same food selections as last year. A list of potential topics and speakers was arranged. Individuals were assigned to follow up.

The Collection System Section of the Annual Conference was well attended at the annual conference. There were several great papers given including an update on the Omaha CSO project. All of the papers have been placed on the IWPA website for download. This year we had a day and a half of collection system sessions which was an increase over previous years of only one day. Glen Petersen proctored the Collection System Certification Exam on Friday. Steve Simons reported that copies of presentations will be on the website.

Mark McGuire and Glen Petersen talked with the Executive Board about the pushing for a State Mandated Collection System Certification Program and they have requested that we define our needs and make a formal request. It was the consent of the committee that we have already done this several years ago and yet no headway has been made. The Government Affairs Committee has the contacts that would spearhead this issue. The Government Affairs Committee agrees that this is a strong issue but they are stretched too thin to take on another agenda item. They suggested that we place someone on their committee to take on this agenda item.

At the last meeting, the Committee discussed and agreed to put together our own Jet Truck Operation program at the Specialty Conference in March 2009 as a secondary training program. After further consideration, the concern over bad weather has caused us to place this idea on hold.

Roxanne Slater discussed a Regional PCAP Technical conference located somewhere in the greater Kansas City area. The group was interested and also suggested that invitations should go out to those in Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri. Also the committee should get someone trained as a trainer for future training at our Annual and Specialty Conferences.

Roxann Slater will be putting together another shirt order this fall and will email the group with the information.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 4, 2008 at the Best Western in Marshalltown, Iowa.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:35. Lunch was held at Mr. G's Restaurant.