



Minutes for December 2004

Attendance

The meeting was hosted by the San Diego Convention Center and was held at the San Diego Convention Center. There were 25 people in attendance including four guest presenters.

Opening Remarks

Nadine Braudaway, Chair called the meeting to order and asked if there were any guests. Sandy Rodrigues, San Diego County Water Authority introduced Emily Yanushka, SCOOP Program Manager for the San Diego County Water Authority.

Announcements

1) Brenda Hodges, C.P.M., City of National City announced there is still a need for additional 2006 CAPPO Conference committee members. A Publicity chair is required. The duties would involve submitting articles in the CAPPO news monthly, promoting the Conference with various organizations such as NIGP, etc.

2) Walter Rossmann, City of San Diego announced Ed Cook, San Diego Airport Authority has expressed interest in taking over the Vice Chair position. Tina Yoke, City of San Diego and current Vice Chair has expressed an interest in assuming the Chair position and Catherine Laue, Convention Center has expressed a desire to remain Treasurer. Walter asked for a motion to vote on the three new officers. Linda Christensen, City of Santee made the motion. Dede Porter, City of El Cajon seconded the motion. A vote was taken. There were no nays. Motion passed.

3) John Coggins, City of Chula announced that there are a number of resolutions for the membership to vote on at the annual conference in Sacramento. One resolution is to increase the membership dues. The dues have not been increased for five years.

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4) Rachel Levens, City of La Mesa is looking at Demand Star. Please contact her to discuss specifics. Dede Porter, City of El Cajon is looking at Planet Bid and can be contacted for information on their review.

5) Walter Rossmann, City of San Diego announced the AEP meeting to assist agencies interested in applying for the AEP award will be rescheduled. Walter also announced the City of San Diego is Lead Agency in a fuel bid. Eight Cities and Nine School Districts are participating in the bid. Approximately 13.5 million gallons of fuel will be procured off this bid. If you are interested in obtaining additional details, please contact Michael Winterberg with the City of San Diego.

Presentation

Rudy Johnson, San Diego Convention Center Vice President welcomed the CAPPO group. Mr. Johnson manages day-to-day operations for the Convention Center. Mr. Johnson showed a community outreach video of the Convention Center. The video illustrated that the Convention Center reduces the tax burden on local taxpayers, creates thousands of jobs in the region and serves as an important community gathering place. Nearly Two Hundred Million Dollars have been contributed by the Convention Center to the City of San Diego and used for Balboa Park, the Old Globe and other venues.

Mr. Andy Mikschl, Sales Director stated 70% of the Convention Center's business is Professional Association business. His department has majority of staff in San Diego facility but also has staff in offices in both D.C. and Chicago to solicit large conference bookings. Most large conferences are booked 8-10 years out.

The Convention is host to small events of 10 to 15 attendees to large events of 30,000 or more attendees.

Ms. Gerrica Gray-Johnson heads the convention Center's Legal Department. She went through the contract and requested exceptions taken by conference bookings.

The meeting portion concluded with a tour of the Convention Center by Mr. Ron Barnham, Convention Center Superintendent.

Closing

Nadine Braudaway concluded the meeting and expressed a desire to see everyone at the annual conference in Sacramento the week of January 17^h.

Minutes submitted by Tina Yoke, Vice Chair