



Meeting Minutes – February 15, 2023

Meeting Location: In-person Lunch and Learn Meeting at Spire-700 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63101

Meeting Date: February 15, 2023

Attendees: 55 members, 6 guest Quorum achieved (attendance roster attached)

The Chapter meeting was called to order at 1:20 P.M. by Tara Green, President.

CHAPTER 37 BUSINESS

I. Welcome and Overview of Chapter 37 Website

- Craig Heflin, Spire presented the safety message on driver safety.
- Tara Green, President presented the welcome message and introduced guest speaker Norm Willoughby

II. Meeting Minutes from 1/25/2023

- Minutes submitted by LaToya "Toy" Franklin; Secretary reviewed.
- Motion to approve the Minutes from 1/25/2023 meeting approved by Scott Gross and seconded by Sandra Rupert.

III. Treasurer's Report

- Report submitted by Scott Gross; Treasurer showing deposits totaling \$341.00
- Chapter 37 Balance as of February 15, 2023 = \$29,703.14 (Full Report Attached)
- Treasurer's Report approved by Chris Scharth and seconded by Jody Harness
- Motion presented by Scott Gross, Treasurer, to approve reimbursement for travel expenses for the Region 3 Spring Forum and Region 3 Fall Forum for the following Executive Board Members in perpetuity beginning 3/1/23:
 - President up to \$1000
 - President Elect up to \$500
 - International Director up to \$500
 - Motion approved by Alex Sammet and seconded by Brett Farner and was unanimously approved by the quorum of members

IV. Ongoing Chapter Business

- A. Membership: presented by Chair - Vint Hoffeditz

(1) New member has joined. Please continue to invite guest to meetings and promote Chapter 37 membership

- B. **Education:** presented by Chair - Kristin Bauman
The next virtual class will be presented on April 6 & 7, Course 209 – Negotiating Effectively with a Diverse Clientele. Possible networking event to be held evening of April 6th at The Armory STL (3660 Market, St. Louis, MO 63103. Next in-person course to be held in August 2023 (Course 803) and possibly coordinating a course for June 2023. Please continue to send all course suggestions to Kristin Bauman.
- C. **Professional Development:** presented by Chair – Kim Gross
With Kim Gross being President Elect for upcoming year, PDC position will be open for 2023-2024 term and beyond. Please contact Kim if you are interested in becoming PDC. The deadline for "Industry-Specific Pathway Program" declaration was extended through January 31, 2023. 30 members out of Chapter 37 submitted a Declaration of Candidacy Form.
- D. **Young Professionals:** presented by Chair - Bronte Fencel
Bronte Fencel and Max Turner are planning the YP networking event on April 6 at Armory STL. Pricing has been submitted to Chapter 37 Executive Board.
- E. **Communications:** presented by Chair - Brendan Weiler
Updated meeting minutes will be on the Chapter 37 website, along with all communications. If you have announcements, please communicate those to Brendan Weiler.

V. **New Chapter Business**

- A. Updated Bylaws-Motion from the Executive Board for the voting members to approve the modifications made to the existing bylaws of Gateway Chapter 37 that have been approved by the International General Counsel on behalf of the International Executive Committee.
 - Motion approved by Kim Gross and seconded by Toy Franklin and was unanimously approved by the quorum of members
- B. Nominations & Elections-Committee appointees are Teresa McClure, Chair, and Chris Scharth and Jody Harness as committee members. If anyone is interested in serving on the Executive Board or on any committees for the 2023 – 2024 term, please reach out to the committee
- C. RWIEF Scholarship of \$2,500 is due by 3/1/23-great opportunity for education. Please submit application to Tara Green and Chris Scharth.
- D. \$500 Scholarship to IRWA Education Conference in Denver, Colorado 6/24-6/29/23
WINNER-Brendan Weiler, Volkert
- E. Region 3 Spring Forum will be held by Chapter 20 in St. Paul, Minnesota
 - a. April 16-18, 2023
 - b. \$250 Scholarship ***WINNER-Gary Grass, Volkert***
- F. Free IRWA class drawing in 2023, ***WINNER-Bill McIntyre, Flairdocs***
- G. Attendance prizes - \$25 gift cards sponsored by Volkert

***WINNERS-Matt Hoven, Mary Kimbrough, and Toy Franklin (Ameren)
Michelle Null (DOMA)***

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn meeting at 1:45 P.M. by Tara Green, President, approved by Kristin Bauman and seconded by Teresa McClure.

These minutes respectfully submitted by LaToya "Toy" Franklin, Secretary, IRWA Chapter 37.

List of Attachments:

1. Attendance Roster
2. Minutes from January meeting
3. Treasurer Report
4. Signed Amended Bylaws