Minutes Indiana Rural Safety & Health Council April 9, 2009

Lisa Chaudion opened the meeting at 1:00 p.m. with the following individuals present:

Rick Ainsworth, Farm Bureau Insurance Anna Ariens, Executive Director, Indiana FFA Lisa Chaudion, Indiana Young Farmers Bill Field, Purdue University Amy Kraft, Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance Ernie Sheldon, Indiana State University Santiago Tijerina, Transitional Resources

The minutes of the February 25, 2009 meeting were approved as distributed.

Ernie Sheldon distributed a treasurer's report which was approved. A copy is attached. Bill Field reported that sales of Council materials have been strong for the past quarter. Nearly \$3,000 in coloring book sales have been received. The inventory of Careful Country coloring book is getting low and reprinting will need to take place this summer.

Payments to the Young Farmers (\$400) and Indiana State University (\$200) have been made to support safety-related activities.

Ernie Sheldon will pursue billing Statewide REMC for expenses from the 2008 Ag Safety and Health Forum.

State Fair exhibits were discussed. It was decided that we would try to minimize the amount of staffing required due to the increased length of the fair.

Discussion on an annual audit took place. It was decided to conduct an audit every two years, therefore an audit would not be conducted for 2008. (Ernie Sheldon will file appropriate documentation with the Indiana Secretary of the State.)

Bill Field will look into the cost of reprinting coloring books. Efforts will be made to identify potential sponsors for coloring books to be distributed at the State Fair. He is uncertain about the per unit cost.

Lisa led a discussion on a membership drive for 2009. (We need a membership brochure.) Rick Ainsworth suggested we develop an on-line membership form that can be completed and sent in electronically. Someone would then need to bill those responding on-line. It was agreed to have Ernie bill all past members and others on the current mailing list. Bill will provide Ernie with the list. Lisa agreed to coordinate having an ad in the FFA Impact Magazine. The cost for a quarter page ad would be \$250 or for six issues \$1,250. The magazine is distributed to 12,000 locations including all FFA members and agricultural education teachers in the state. It was agreed to sponsor six quarter page ads in the Impact Magazine for about \$1,250. Bill Field will prepare six brief articles. Amy Kraft will design the layouts.

Discussion took place on the F.R. Willsey Endowment. Bill Field will contact the attorney for Helen Willsey concerning the deposition of Helen Willsey's estate. Lisa would draft a letter that would encourage that Helen's intentions for the endowment be respected with respect to building the endowment. The proceeds from the endowment provide scholarships to students at Purdue who have had a parent killed in a farm-related accident and to support graduate students conducting research in agricultural safety and health.

Ernie Sheldon had gotten a call from Franklin Tractor concerning a farm tour on September 13th. They are looking for assistance in putting together safety displays for an event that would attract about 5,000 people. Ernie will remain in touch with the dealer as to how the Council could fit in.

The next meeting was scheduled for June 26th at 2:00 p.m. at Farm Bureau in Indianapolis.

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