## Minutes Indiana Rural Safety & Health Council July 7, 2011

The Council was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Amy Kraft at the Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance Building, East Street in Indianapolis. Those present were as follows:

Arian Ariens, FFA/Indiana State Department of Ag

Lisa Chaudion - FFA Foundation

Bill Field – Purdue University

Wayne Newhart - REMC

Roger Tormoehlen – Purdue University

Jonie Wallman, Farm Bureau Inc.

Steve Wettschurack – Purdue University

The minutes were approved as distributed without corrections.

Treasurer's report was not available and will be subject to audit.

The safety ad on texting while driving will be in the next issue of the FFA Magazine. A big thanks to Amy Kraft for making that happen.

To date, two lifetime memberships have been received. Everyone was encouraged to get their memberships in. A membership form is attached.

Details related to state fair were covered, including:

- Jim Rink's safety display will be set up in the Farm Bureau Building. It is a form of a hazard hunt using a scale model farm.
- The grain bin safety display will remain in the Young Farmer Building. Bill Field will provide Anna with a copy of the new grain safety DVD for adding to the building server.
- Bill Field will have Steve Swain provide Anna Ariens with a list of everyone who will be working at the fair so name badges can be made up.
- A new exhibit on grain safety has also been built for the Purdue exhibit hall. The cost was covered by Purdue Extension and the Indiana Corn Growers and Soybean Association. This does not need to be staffed.
- Anna noted that there may not be space for both the tug-of-war and the AgrAbility tractor. Steve Hickey is the coordinator of the building and is working on some changes.
   Steve Swain will be asked to contact Steve Hickey to work out details. The tug-a-war has been refurbished and will be made available to FFA for future use.
- There is a need for volunteers to help staff the safety exhibits and interact with the public. Volunteers are welcome.

Bill Field and Steve Wettschurack discussed the new grain safety display being built at the Indiana State History Museum. This display will be in place for approximately two years, and will be open on or about September 1.

Steve Wettschurack reviewed the ongoing training for first responders. Over 1,000 individuals have received a certificate for the 8 hour class. He has 13 additional classes in the planning stages. He is doing additional educational events that target farm children and families.

Bill Field reported on the status of the National AgrAbility Conference that is scheduled for November 7-10 in Indianapolis. He is looking for potential sponsors to cover the cost of brining 2-4 Indiana farmers with disabilities to the conference.

The next meeting will be held at September 20, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. At this meeting the 2010 farm fatality summary will be distributed and the farm media will be invited.

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