Minutes Indiana Rural Safety & Health Council June 10, 2012

Amy Kraft, President called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. at the Farm Bureau Building in Indianapolis. Those present were:

Bill Field, Purdue

Amy Kraft, Farm Bureau

Sarah Patterson

Ernie Sheldon, ISU

Steve Wettschurack, Purdue

The minutes of the May 3, 2012 meeting were approved as distributed with no additions.

Ernie Sheldon provided a brief update of the treasury that currently has a balance of \$44,867.44.

Bill Field reported on the status of the coloring book reprinting. Updates are needed and the base numbers will be 20,000 copies of *Careful Country* and 15 copies of *Weeds in Our Garden*. Preliminary orders for about 1,000 copies have been received. All previous customers over the past 4 years will be contacted to explore their interest in reordering.

Steve Wettschurack led a discussion on 2012 State Fair activities. Purdue will not be using the grain safety display and it was determined that Steve would try to locate another space to have the exhibit.

Steve Wettschurack summarized activities related to grain rescue training. He noted the strong support being given by Farm Bureau and FFA chapters to hosting training and under righting the purchase of grain rescue equipment.

A discussion took place on the status of the proposed child labor regulations which were recently withdrawn from consideration. Sarah Patterson from the Rural Institute discussed the role the Institute would like to take in youth safety. She is looking for data on rural injuries involving youth.

The status of the location of the Ag Safety and Health Forum is still up in the air. Bill will try to confirm with Claas in Columbus. Amy will coordinate the ad for the FFA Magazine. Possible copies might include:

- Grain bin extrication
- Overhead power line and electrical safety
- Lifeline helicopter
- Truck safety
- Youth arthritis

- Cell phones/texting use while driving
- Tractor over turn simulation

Farm Safety and Health Week is September 16-22, 2012 with this year's theme being Ag Safety and Health – A Family Affair.

A discussion took place on the declining attendance. Some suggestions included setting meeting dates in advance and sending out additional reminders.

The next meeting will be Friday, August 10 at 10:00 a.m. at the State Fair Grounds. The location will be announced later.

Submitted by:

Willie C Fill

Bill Field Secretary