Minutes

Indiana Rural Safety & Health Council

August 14, 2015

Amy Kraft called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. at the Indiana State Fair in Indianapolis. Those present were:

Meredith Addison - RN

Lisa Chaudion – FFA Foundation

Bill Field – Purdue University

• Amy Kraft – Farm Bureau

John Nagle – Farm Bureau

Ernie Sheldon – ISU

Roger Tormoehlen – Purdue University

Minutes of the July 10th meeting were approved without revisions.

There was no treasurer's report. There are no outstanding bills.

Bill Field reported on state fair activities. There are three sites promoting ag safety at the fair. In addition, other exhibits such as in the Ag Building have safety topics covered, including a grain tug-a-war display.

Bill summarized activities underway for the celebration on September 21st in Assembly Hall at the Farm Bureau Building. The room has been reserved and a light lunch will be served. The summary of 2014 farm fatalities is in process and it will include a cover with the logo developed by Farm Bureau. Tom Bechman has been asked to help promote the event to the rest of the farm media. All those on the Council mailing list will receiving an invitation. Bill will work with Ag Communications at Purdue to develop a news release on the collaborative relationship between Purdue and the Council since its formation.

Amy reported that the request to confirm the Council's tax exempt status is in process at the Secretary of State's Office. The process takes 4-6 weeks.

Efforts are underway to identify one or more events where the Council could coordinate a panel of farmers that have been impacted by farm accidents and present a positive report on the accomplishments that have been made over the last 70 years.

It was recommended that the Council submit an application for endorsement of a Bicentennial Legacy Project to the 2016 Indiana Bicentennial Commission. Bill will complete the application process.

The next meeting will follow the celebration on September 21st at the Indiana Farm Bureau Building in Indianapolis.

Submitted by:

Bill Field, Secretary

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