

New York State Association of Self-Insured Counties
General Business Meeting
Friday, October 1, 2004

The meeting was called to order by President Paul Casey at 9:45 AM at the Lodge at Woodcliff, Fairport, New York.

The minutes of the May 7, 2004 Business Meeting were read and approved on motion of Richard Davies, second by Amy Clute. The Treasurer's report was read by Jeffrey Whittemore and approved as written by Amy Poff, second by Amy Clute, indicating a combined checking and savings account balance of \$11,796.73 as of September 25, 2004. It was noted that expenses for the Fall 2004 Conference were still outstanding.

Members were advised of the dates and location of the Spring 2005 Conference. It will be held May 18 – 20, 2005, at The Riveredge Resort in Alexandria Bay. Alexandria Bay continues to be a very popular conference site. The conference will be held a week later than usual, but Boldt Castle will be open to the public by that time. There will be a Cocktail Party on Wednesday evening at the castle.

The Board will meet in January 2005 to plan the Spring Conference, so members were again encouraged to contact Board members with suggestions for seminars, workshops, roundtable topics, and vendors to include in the conference. The need for more member involvement was stressed. NYSASIC members were encouraged to invite their self-insurance pool members to attend the conferences.

Paul Casey gave a Legislative update, advising that the 207-c revision that effectively eliminated the "heightened risk" criteria for 207-c claims was approved during the year, and is essentially a "done deal". Members were encouraged to continue to lobby their State Representatives on behalf of Workers' Compensation issues.

The location of the Fall 2005 Conference was discussed. Pres. Casey advised the members that he had sent inquiries out to many potential conference sites throughout New York State and received thirty-five responses. Of those thirty-five, most were eliminated and the Board then seriously considered five sites. By a popular vote, The Canoe Island Lodge at Lake George was selected for the Fall Conference, to be held September 28 – 30, 2005. Because of the travel distance for some attendees, Paul agreed to inquire about possible discount room rates for Tuesday, September 27, in case anyone needed to drive in the previous day.

Susan Lent has agreed to chair the Legislative Committee. Ed Castellana will chair the Nominating Committee, and Lynn Meus and Mary Lou Turner will serve as members.

Municipal members had been given a conference survey to complete. Those who returned the survey were entered into a drawing for a \$50 prize. Sandra Bower was drawn and the \$50 prize check will be mailed to her as she was not in attendance at the Business Meeting.

The meeting was closed at 10:05 AM on motion of Richard Davies, second by Susan Lent.