



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF
SAFETY PROFESSIONALS

Great Plains Chapter

Meeting Minutes February 4, 2022 ASSP Great Plains Board Meeting

Attendees- Jim Nelson, Kelvin Thurman, Jake Mahin, Steve Polich, Monty Hoyle, Samantha O'Kelley, Jeff Beck, Doris Burns, Heather Lukens

1. Call to order
 - a. Meeting was called to order at 12:00 PM
2. Review/approval of Financial Reports
 - a. No updated financial reports
 - b. Heather will check into credit card for group io and other expenses
3. SPY
 - a. Looking for nominations
4. Election
 - a. Doris will be the official contact for the nomination committee
5. Meeting planning (See tracker/planner below)
 - a. February – Fall Protection – need to check with Eric about this
 - b. Heat stress is planned for March. Monty to speak to AIHA for an in-person meeting in March with Doug Fletcher to speak about the OSHA National Emphasis Program. Matt Thurlby is the Omaha area director. Doris will reach out to area director to see if a Friday lunch meeting would work. Noon to 2-3 PM at the Safety Council in person. Doris is checking on lunch for the 18th or 25th of March. Also check with a wet bulb heat monitoring safety supplier.
 - c. All meetings should be set up 6 weeks ahead of time with descriptions and bios sent to Steve for the flyer so that we can get the rooms reserved, lunch setup, schedule with speaker, and get the flyers to the chapter.
 - d. Hawkeye chapter is still working on setting up a professional development conference.
6. Society Governance Proposal and Sale of Building
 - a. Sale of building – no issue with this
 - b. Governance change – Proposed dissolving of the House of Delegates
 - i. Most board members believe this is not a good idea. It eliminates oversight by chapters. It eliminates the checks and balances of power at the Society level. It just benefits the Society, not the chapters. It will lead to groupthink. The House of Delegates keeps the chapters strong.
7. Newsletter
 - a. Jeff is looking for articles for the newsletter and would like to publish soon.
8. Call to Adjourn

- a. Meeting adjourned at 12:52 pm.

Minutes taken by Samantha O’Kelley, Secretary ASSP Great Plains Chapter.

CHAPTER MEETING SCHEDULE AND TOPIC PLANNER 2021-2022

MONTH	DATE	TIME	TOPIC	FACILITATOR/SPEAKER
SEPTEMBER 2021	DATE	DATE		
OCTOBER 2021	10/15/2021	NOON – 1:00 PM	ASSP ACTIVITIES AND STANDARDS	TIM FISHER
NOVEMBER 2021	11/12/2021	NOON – 1:00 PM	OSHA COVID ETS	DOUG FLETCHER
DECEMBER 2021	12/3/2021	3:30 – 6:00 PM	MEETING AND HOLIDAY SOCIAL GATHERING	
JANUARY 2022			FALL PROTECTION -NO CHAPTER MEETING DUE TO RISE IN OMICRON VARIANT	
FEBRUARY 2022			COMBUSTIBLE DUST -FALL PROTECTION	
MARCH 2022			HEAT STRESS OSHA NATIONAL EMPHESIS	
APRIL 2022			GETTING READY FOR ELECTIONS & AWARDS BANQUET	
MAY 2022			ELECTIONS, PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE IN IOWA	
JUNE 2022			AWARDS BANQUET	
JULY 2022			COMBUSTIBLE DUST	
AUGUST 2022				