



Saskatchewan's Association of Information Technology Professionals



Saskatchewan's Association of Information Technology Professionals Annual General Meeting Minutes September 29, 2010

1.0 Call to Order (12:08)

The meeting was conducted via SaskTel's Teleconference facilities in Saskatoon and Regina. President Brenda Byers chaired the meeting.

2.0 Call for Quorum

Registrar reported we had attained quorum with over 10 certified members present and over 50% of the board present. It was declared that we have quorum.

In Regina there were 18 certified I.S.P. members and 3 board members in attendance.

In Saskatoon there were 9 certified I.S.P. members and 4 board members in attendance.

3.0 Motion: Accept the Agenda

Moved by Ronn LePage

Seconded by Thomas Boxall

None opposed, motion carried.

4.0 Motion: Accept the minutes from September 30, 2009 AGM

Moved by Tiffany Simister

Seconded by Fred Buschau

None opposed, motion carried.

5.0 President's Report

Good afternoon everyone, thank-you for taking the time from your busy lives to attend the AGM. This past year has brought many changes to the structure of CIPS within Saskatchewan. We have created a few new committees to help spread the volunteer hours over a larger number of people. The new committees will be a Finance Committee, a Marketing and Communications Committee, and a Professionalism Committee. If anyone would like to help out in these capacities please let someone on the board know. Remember you don't have to be an I.S.P. to server on a committee This is definitely a time of change and momentum within CIPS. One such change is that the CIPS Sask. Board hired an Executive Director, with the mandate of assisting the dedicated volunteers with day to day operations of the society. Most of you have met or talked to Maria Galati who came on November 2009. Her positive impact is seen on the CIPS events as well as the day to day operation, her work is evident in how well organized the event have been and the rise to our membership numbers.

My report would not be complete without a call for volunteers. We are still looking for someone to head up our Spring Seminar committee this year which will be held in the March – April timeframe. Also the Treasurer role is vacant so if anyone is interested in helping out the Finance committee as chair please let us know.

The program committees in both South and North Saskatchewan have begun their fall planning and they have the following events lined up.



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Also we would like to announce the launch of a new website. Local volunteers along with Maria have spent many hours preparing this new site for use. You will be receiving a link to the new website in the coming weeks.

In summary, I would like to thank all our volunteers, sponsors, out outgoing board members, speakers and event attendees for making this past year a success. I am anticipating a challenging year ahead with as usually, in the IT industry, nothing but change. I welcome all members input, so feel free to contact me or any of the board with questions or comments you may have.

Thank-you

Brenda Byers

Outgoing President/ Board Chair

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6.0 Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer's report for the period ending June 30, 2010, presented by Ronn Lepage I.S.P.
- Breen Associates indicated the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.
- Cash is down a bit as revenue was down \$6,000.
- There was less than expected attendance at the Spring Seminar as well as expenses for the new Executive Director.

CIPS 2010~2011 Balance Sheet As at 09/30/2010

ASSET

Current assets

Royal Bank 2,419.90

PayPal 12,622.33

Conexus - Acct 1 0.00

Sherwood CU 38,952.29

Total Cash 53,994.52

Royal Bank Term Deposit 15,000.00

Royal Bank GIC 20,000.00

Affinity CU Term Deposit 12,560.38

Sherwood CU Term Deposit #23 0.00

Conexus - Term Deposit #28 10,000.00

Conexus - Term Deposit #26 0.00

Conexus - Term Deposit #27 0.00

Total Investments 57,560.38

Accounts Receivable 2,461.75

Misc Receivables 0.00

GST Refund 0.00

Total Current Assets 114,016.65



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**Other Assets**

Computer Software 0.00

Member Equity 387.89

Short Term Loan 0.00

Total Other Assets 387.89**TOTAL ASSET 114,404.54****LIABILITY****Liabilities**

Accounts Payable 3,927.79

Misc Accounts Payable 0.00

Payroll Remittances Payable -2,705.34

Deposits and prepaid orders 0.00

GST Payable 123.63

GST Charged on Sales 3,248.04

GST Paid on Purchases -2,735.94

GST Owing (refund) 512.10

PST Charged on sales 36.19

Total Liabilities 1,894.37**TOTAL LIABILITY 1,894.37****EQUITY****Equity**

CIPS Regina equity 74,387.89

CIPS Saskatoon Equity 19,580.00

CIPS Saskatchewan Equity 28,398.13

Current Earnings -9,855.85

combined equity 112,510.17**TOTAL EQUITY 112,510.17****LIABILITIES AND EQUITY 114,404.54****Motion: Accept the Financial Statements**

Moved by Ronn Lepage

Seconded Ron Beallie

None opposed, motion carried.

Motion: Appoint Breen Associates as our designated accountant

Moved by Ronn Lepage

Seconded by Janice Muir

None opposed, motion carried.



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7.0 Election Report

Election

Call for nominations from the floor.

Motion: Cease nominations

Moved by Ronn Lepage

Seconded by Geoff Cole

None opposed, motion carried.

Nominations:

Atul Varde, Saskatoon

Derek Risling, Saskatoon

Dale Field, Saskatoon

Shane Ridgway, Regina

Re-Election:

Jonathon Johnson, Saskatoon

Yashu Bither, Regina

Motion: To Nominate the Members to the Board:

Call for nominations from the floor

No additional nominations

Elected by acclamation

Outgoing Board Members:

Derek Burt, Regina

Manmeet Singh, Regina

Blake Heisler, Saskatoon

Ronn Lepage, Saskatoon

Daryle Neidermeyer, Alberta

8.0 Recognize newly certified I.S.P.'s over the past year in Saskatchewan

Mr.	Mark		Kozack	I.S.P.	Regina
Ms	Rupi	K	Panesar	I.S.P.	Regina
Mr.	Dean		McNall	I.S.P.	Regina
Mr.	John		Winter	I.S.P.	Regina
Ms	Cheryl		Chay	I.S.P.	Regina
Mr.	Shane	M	Ridgway	I.S.P.	Regina
Mr.	Blaine		Murray	I.S.P.	Regina
Ms	Alison		Schroeder	I.S.P.	Regina
Mr.	Geoff		Cole	I.S.P.	Saskatoon
Mr.	Derek		Risling	I.S.P.	Saskatoon
Mr.	Dale		Field	I.S.P.	Saskatoon



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9.0 Incoming President's Report

Good afternoon. Thank you very much for attending the AGM today.

As Brenda said, there were many successes in the past year and they would not have happened if it weren't for the many hours put in by the volunteers. Brenda recognized all the volunteers in her President's report. We would be remiss as a society if we didn't recognize Brenda. Brenda was part of almost every committee and took part in most of the meetings on top of the President's duties. It was a particularly time demanding year for the President, with the bringing in of the Executive Director position. The results of the last year are excellent. I'm confident that all those who had the pleasure of working with Brenda this year would agree that Brenda provided outstanding leadership. Please recognize Brenda Byers now with a round of applause.

Last year as incoming President Brenda said, "*This is definitely a time of change and momentum within CIPS*". Well a year later and that statement still rings true today. There is lots of momentum that was achieved last year and I'm honoured to have the opportunity to work with the Board and other volunteers to continue that momentum as we all strive to serve you, the members of CIPS Saskatchewan and the IT community.

Right on the heels of this AGM the Board will continue to work on the Strategic Plan started in recent months by last year's Board. In October we will evaluate our governance practices and committee mandates to ensure we can meet the goals defined in the strategic plan.

In the last several months a group of volunteers have been working very hard on a brand new look for our web site. The new CIPS Saskatchewan web site is nearly ready to be launched. This will be a very exciting event as we aim to keep you informed of events and provide useful information to the IT community.

In the blink of an eye, IT Professionalism Week will be upon us. This year it runs November first to fifth.

You can continue to look forward to a great set of programs this year as we continue with our luncheon program and the Spring Seminar. Last year we partnered with other organizations to bring you diverse topics of interest, and we will continue partnering this year.

On October 18th in Regina, we have a fantastic luncheon planned. The new SaskTel 3G+ Network launched on August 16th. Delivery of information system and business process components for the network launch presented interesting and unique challenges. Tricia Goffin, project manager for this aspect of the launch, will describe project management tools and approaches used to enable success. She will review key 'what worked well' lessons learned and reflect upon her experiences managing a large team of talented and dedicated resources.

We had previously announced the same event for Saskatoon on October 5th, however we have to reschedule. Stay tuned a new date.



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This year, like last year, we will be successful because of the many volunteers and our Executive Director, Maria Galati. Thank you to our new Board members for letting your name stand for nomination today. I look forward to working with a great group of people.

I welcome all members input as we jump into the New Year. I can be contacted at deanhartley@cips.ca.

Lastly, thank you to SaskTel for allowing CIPS Saskatchewan the use of their facilities today and special thanks to Shane Ridgeway who helped organize today's logistics with SaskTel.

Dean Hartley
Incoming President
CIPS Saskatchewan

10.0 Questions/Discussion Arising from the Floor

- a) ITCP Designation. Is there a national acceptance?

After the initial launch there hasn't been a lot of change. We were accepted into the IP3 organization based on our qualifications. National is working to have this designation made official within the IP3 organization.

- b) Did we have people wanting the qualification?

We have not looked at the statistics around the certifications and number of individuals pursuing the certification. Brenda is serving on the CCTIP counsel the upcoming year. We will take the question forward to the counsel.

There are a number of programs that national is working on and the membership may fail to see the number of hours that national puts in. A score card or metrics on the website would be nice to see. Looking for the website to be more of a hub where you can look for jobs and have social networking and bring the membership together.

11.0 Adjournment

Motion: To Adjourn the meeting (12:35)

Moved by Ronn Lepage

Seconded by Thomas Boxall

None opposed, motion carried.