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2005 ABANA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Memphis, Tennessee

Thursday, October 27, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by President Don Kemper and the roll was taken. Those in attendance were:

Elizabeth Brim
Maegan Crowley
Bob Jacoby
Jerry Kagele
Don Kemper

Erik Lander
Scott Lankton
Murray Lowe
Dave Mudge
Dan Nauman
Eric Ryser

Dorothy Stiegler
James Viste
Chris Winterstein
Clare Yellin

Other persons in attendance were Rob Edwards, Editor of *The Anvil's Ring*, LeeAnn Mitchell, ABANA Central Office Administrator and Marcus Vickery, ABANA Conference Coordinator & Registrar.

Guests included Jonathan Nedbor, President of the Northeast Blacksmiths Association.

President Don Kemper introduced and welcomed new ABANA Board members Eric Ryser and James Viste and Marcus Vickery, ABANA Conference Coordinator & Registrar

Proof of notice of the meeting was given.

Nomination and Election of Officers

- Scott Lankton nominated Don Kemper for president. Dorothy Stiegler seconded the nomination. Dan Nauman moved that the nominations be closed. Meagan Crowley seconded the motion. Don Kemper was elected president.
- Dorothy Stiegler nominated Clare Yellin for first vice-president. Murray Lowe seconded the nomination. Dan Nauman moved that the nominations be closed. Meagan Crowley seconded the motion. Clare Yellin was elected first vice-president.
- Clare Yellin nominated Dave Mudge for second vice-president. Murray Lowe seconded the nomination. Dan Nauman moved that the nominations be closed. Murray Lowe seconded the motion. Dave Mudge was elected second vice-president.
- Clare Yellin nominated Jerry Kagele for secretary. Murray Lowe seconded the nomination. Dorothy Stiegler nominated Scott Lankton for secretary. Erik Lander seconded the nomination. Scott Lankton nominated Erik Lander for secretary. Maegan Crowley moved that the nominations be closed. Murray Lowe seconded the motion. Jerry Kagele was elected secretary.

- Erik Lander nominated Dorothy Stiegler for treasurer. Dan Nauman seconded the nomination. Clare Yellin moved to close the nominations. Murray Lowe seconded the motion. Dorothy Stiegler was elected treasurer.

Reports By Officers

- President's Report-Don Kemper emphasized the fact that all board members need to work harder and achieve the goals set forth by the organization. He will hold members accountable and urged them to really think about the committee assignments they would like to have and be prepared to work. Don also indicated that he wants quarterly committee reports from each committee so that the entire board knows what is going on within the organization.
- 1st Vice-President's Report – Clare indicated that her goals for the organization were consistent with Don's and that she was backing him up 100%.
- 2nd Vice-President Report – Dave, despite being hit by hurricane Katrina, said he was still stirring the pot by asking what he hoped were essential and productive questions.
- Secretary's Report – Former secretary Will Hightower's written report was read by Jerry Kagele and is on file in the Central Office. Will indicated that the Central Office "was nearly a non-event as LeeAnn has that area well organized. We would talk by phone and Email, making sure that she was going the direction that the Board wanted. I can not think of one Central Office heart burn all year. There were several Board votes to audit during the year, all dealing with affiliate applications. All motions passed." Will's report continued to stress that "The big Secretary event of the year was the signing off of the Trust papers. I feel that with a little stewardship this will be one of the best moves the ABANA Board has ever made."
- Treasurer's Report – Dorothy briefly discussed the establishment of the ABANA Educational Endowment Trust and was delighted that the project was at last long completed. She also discussed the relationship of ABANA with Fifth Third Bank and the current project of removing those funds and adding them to the newly created the ABANA Educational Endowment Trust. She indicated she would complete her report on Friday morning when Cinde Wagner would be present.

Central Office Report

LeeAnn Mitchell submitted her written report and it is on file in the Central Office. She basically outlined the projects that had been completed this year. The biggest and most organizationally important was the implementation of the new relational database designed specifically for ABANA. She wished to thank Jake Goulding and Dane Wagner for their work and continued support of the project. She also discussed the hiring of new ABANA Conference Coordinator & Registrar Marcus Vickery and indicated that he was doing a fine job and fitting in well. The 2006 ABANA Conference is on schedule. Online registration was up and running in mid-September. Vendor packets will be out in mid-November. The list of compensated workers is being finalized at this time and letters will be mailed to those people on the list. The registration

brochure is complete and is in the fall issue of *The Anvil's Ring*. This was the combined efforts of many people and she and Marcus Vickery wished to thank Rob Edwards and all the employees at Sebastian Publishing for their good work.

LeeAnn also discussed that the ABANA Procedures Manual has been split into two sections and that both were in desperate need of updating. The Board agreed that this should happen.

ABANA Division / Committee Reports and Action Requests

EDUCATION DIVISION – Elizabeth Brim reported that the Education Division had been very busy and had achieved many of its goals. The committees reported individually.

- Aachen Committee – Scott Lankton reported that despite the committees' attempt to get something going in Aachen that the program really was not very successful at this point and urged the board to dissolve it.

MOTION #1: Scott Lankton made a motion to dissolve the Aachen Work Study Committee and explore other opportunities for a European work study exchange program. Dorothy Stiegler seconded the motion. PASSED.

- Teaching Program – Dan Nauman submitted his written report concerning the Controlled Hand Forging Committee and the report is on file in the Central Office. Dan reported that two new members have joined the committee, Dereck Glaser of Maine and Bill Callaway of Arizona. Articles are continuing to be published and they have completed thirteen lessons and these have all been submitted to *Hammer's Blow*. The idea was discussed about putting these lessons on the ABANA website and LeeAnn Mitchell saw no problem with setting up a new page for the Controlled Hand Forging lessons on the ABANA website. Brian Gilbert offered to mail LeeAnn a disk of the existing lessons. The committee also wants to publish a book on basic smithing as opposed to design. Bob Jacoby brought up the idea of whether or not ABANA wants to get into the publishing business or the information sharing side of the non-profit business. Dorothy Stiegler brought up the idea of working with Norm Larson.
- Scholarships – Chris Winterstein reported that he and the committee would like to update the forms to reflect that there are only two "Category C" scholarships given annually and to alert applicants that there are smaller amounts available. He would also like to add a contract to the scholarship form. He indicated that he would rework the form with the committee and send it to the Central Office for posting on the website and distribution. He would also like to see the payments split into two payments, thereby holding recipients more accountable to fulfilling their obligation back to ABANA.

- Exhibitions Committee – Elizabeth Brim submitted her report and is on file in the Central Office. She was sad to announce that despite hers, Maegan’s and LeeAnn’s best efforts there will be no post 2006 ABANA Conference exhibition at the Bellevue Arts Museum. She has also made contact with several other institutions, including the Madison Morgan Cultural Center in Madison. They are very interested in doing an exhibition in conjunction with the 2007 Southeastern Regional Blacksmithing Conference. Elizabeth and LeeAnn agreed to email the seven southern affiliate presidents to see how they would like ABANA to be involved. LeeAnn offered to go down to Madison one day and take the visual arts director to lunch to discuss the exhibition and what they could contribute. Elizabeth also discussed the idea of coming up with a smaller theme exhibition that could be shipped around the country to selected institutions which would not only highlight ABANA but would generate income.
- Professional & Academic Outreach – Elizabeth Brim submitted a written report and it is on file in the Central Office. She indicated that the committee had produced a poster that had been distributed to the all programs on the ABANA website and 250 universities that have metal / sculpture departments. LeeAnn wished to thank Jim Buonaccorsi and the University of Georgia’s Lamar Dodd School of Art for providing the list. LeeAnn Mitchell indicated that the mailing had been successful and that there were about 80 posters remaining. Murray Lowe had also mailed posters to similar institutions in Canada.

Elizabeth Brim also said that Matt Haugh was writing an article about the new Metal Museum gates designed by Rick Smith and that he was hoping to get the article published in *Metalsmith*, *American Craft* and *The Anvil’s Ring*. Scott Lankton suggested that the committee also explore more contemporary avenues for public relations.

BUSINESS DIVISION – Clare Yellin reported that the Business Division was running smoothly but some changes would be discussed. The committees reported individually.

- Insurance Committee – Clare Yellin indicated that the regular insurance policies for ABANA were fine. She discussed that she was preparing the insurance for the 2006 Conference and alerted the board that the policies for the 2006 conference would probably triple due to the current economy and the recent natural disasters. She discussed the beer garden and the insurance amount it would take to bring the Chris Ray exhibition to Seattle. She also discussed the relationship that ABANA has with Industrial Coverage Corporation. Don Kemper charged Clare with writing up a statement about the service relationship between ABANA and ICC.
- Election and Nominations Committee- Bob Jacoby reported that the last election had been tallied and the results forwarded to the ABANA Board and the Central Office for distribution. Bob asked about where the ballots should be stored and LeeAnn indicated that he could just mail them back to her and she could place them in the storage locker. Scott Lankton asked Bob which ABANA member he had with him when he tallied the votes and Bob indicated his wife was present and assisted with the count. He also said he tallied the votes on the computer so an electronic record existed.

- Sales – Murray Lowe and LeeAnn Mitchell discussed that the new *Coal Forge Handbook* had received a good response from the membership and welcomed other ideas from the board and the membership for new educational sales items. The committee is going to explore the cost of having *The Anvil's Ring* scanned and committed to CD format for a new sales item. LeeAnn indicated that a lot of members had asked about this as a sales item. The \$1.00 sale of both *The Anvil's Ring* and *Hammer's Blow* is doing well and given current inventory numbers this could be the last year for this sale. She also suggested that the board look into having an additional 100 issues *The Anvil's Ring* printed and sent to BookMasters, Inc., with the 100 issues that are already being shipped there. Many people are taking advantage of that price if their work appears in the magazine. The committee plans to hold a design contest for the redesign of the logo on the back of the ABANA t-shirts. This will happen after the 2006 ABANA Conference. The committee is also in the final phases of selecting the merchandise to be sold at the 2006 ABANA Conference. The committee will also assist the conference chair with souvenir selection and ordering.
- Bylaws Review Committee – Bob Jacoby indicated that the ABANA Bylaws were in good shape and that the Bylaws Review committee had completed its assignment and he recommended it be dissolved.

MOTION # 2 - Bob Jacoby made a motion to dissolve the ABANA Bylaws Review committee. Scott Lankton seconded the motion. PASSED.

- Grants Committee – LeeAnn Mitchell discussed that the most interesting and feasible opportunities to apply for were public relations projects, videos for example and written projects like the book on basic blacksmithing Dan Nauman would like to see the Education Division pursue. LeeAnn indicated that she would keep exploring opportunities for operational support, and special project grants that would assist the exhibitions committee. She is also searching for funding for a searchable database to be hosted on the ABANA site.
- Finance Committee – Clare Yellin deferred until tomorrow but has the preliminary budget ready to go.
- Endowment Trust – Dorothy was pleased to announce that the ABANA Educational Endowment Trust had finally been established at Merrill Lynch and that the figure of \$118,434.60 would be reflected on the September financials. She indicated that she is still working on moving the additional \$26, 714.05 from the old endowment trust presently at Fifth Third Bank to the Merrill Lynch account. Don Kemper charged Bob Jacoby with writing an article for the next issue of *The Anvil's Ring* and for the ABANA website. Don also asked Chris Winterstein, James Viste and Maegan Crowley to help with the text if needed. Dorothy also mentioned that she was very happy serving as one of the trustees and was appreciative to have Doug Learn of Pennsylvania and Bill Callaway of Arizona as fellow trustees.

- Affiliate Loans & Grants – Dan Nauman submitted his report and it is on file in the Central Office. He wished to discuss his new ideas for reconfiguring this program under New Business.

MEMBERSHIP SERVICES DIVISION – Dave Mudge indicated that the Division was running smoothly and thanked LeeAnn for helping out when he was out of touch due to the hurricane.

- Affiliate Relations – Dave reported that he and his wife Cindy attended IronFest in Grapevine, Texas and had signed up new members, did processed renewals. They talked to a lot of people about ABANA and the 2006 conference. Dave also reported that ABANA now has a total of seventy-one affiliates and feels that ABANA is serving as a real communications link for blacksmiths.
- Long Term Strategic Planning – Erik Lander submitted his written report and it is on file in the Central Office. He discussed our current membership levels and what we were doing for the members. He also felt that ABANA was on a “plateau between growth and maturity”.

Break for lunch at 12:15. The meeting resumed at 1:30 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION – Maegan Crowley submitted her written report and it is on file in the Central Office. She indicated that the division was running smoothly and she felt that both of the magazines and editors were doing an excellent job. Each committee reported separately.

- Publications Committee – Maegan Crowley notified the board that Rob Edwards would be submitting his bid for publication for both of *The Anvil's Ring* and *Hammer's Blow* magazines and the editorship of *The Anvil's Ring*.
- Awards Committee – Scott Lankton felt that the Awards committee was redundant and should be eliminated as there already existed separate committees for both the Bealer Award and the Humble Award.

MOTION # 3 - Scott Lankton made a motion that the ABANA Awards committee is redundant and should be eliminated. Dorothy Stiegler seconded the motion. PASSED.

- Internet Committee - Dave Mudge indicated that the committee is doing fine and tries its best to respond to new requests. Recently the committee created an area for newsletter editors to post their newsletters so that affiliates can share information. He also reported that the online registration for 2006 was up and running.
- Bealer Award Committee – Scott Lankton ask this be put aside until new business.
- Humble Award – Jerry Kagele reported that he felt the award should be given in conjunction with the conference. LeeAnn Mitchell also interjected that this presentation should become a part of the opening ceremonies. The committee needs another quill for the next winner and Dave Smucker, last year's winner is now on the committee.

MOTION # 4 - Maegan Crowley made a motion to change the Humble Award to a biennial award to be presented during conference years. Dorothy Stiegler seconded the motion. PASSED.

Don Kemper charged Chris Winterstein and Clare Yellin to work with the Humble Award committee on this change to the Humble Award.

CONFERENCE DIVISION –Murray Lowe deferred to Jerry Kagele so that he could discuss in detail the 2006 ABANA Conference.

- 2006 ABANA Conference – Jerry Kagele distributed a basic site plan and reviewed the current layout based on his meetings with the fire marshal, site officials, etc. He discussed the demonstrators, and the fact that many of them were from the west coast so he felt that the budget for demonstrators was on target. He discussed the Beer Garden and the fun activities that would occur there, including blacksmith karaoke where people could show their slides and discuss their work. He also mentioned that a call had gone out to the ABANA affiliates asking them to donate items to the raffle that would occur in the Beer Garden. He also stated that Tom Clark, Len Ledet, LeeAnn Mitchell and Marcus Vickery had mailed 200 Iron-in-the-Hat tickets to each affiliate for the super items. This way ABANA members who could not attend the conference would still have a way to participate. The Vendor Packets are in the final stages and will go out before Thanksgiving. He, Marcus and LeeAnn were working to finalize the list of compensated workers and that the letters would be going out soon to those on the list. He also emphasized the importance of the auction and that he had been doing a lot of public relations in the Seattle and Pacific Northwest area to let people know that the auction was free and open to the public. Jerry also talked about the gallery and ideas of how to make it have a presence within the space. Jerry also talked about the idea of having a public forging station outside the gates for the public to observe and hopefully create more interest for people to come to the auction. Elizabeth Brim wanted to know that she had Jerry's full support to make the gallery excellent and he agreed.

Brian Gilbert, Editor of Hammer's Blow arrived at 3:00 p.m.

- 2008 Conference – Murray Lowe wished to hold this until tomorrow when Jonathan Nedbor makes his presentation.
- 2010 Conference – Dave Mudge and Eric Ryser will explore potential sites for this conference. LeeAnn Mitchell reminded them that former board member Will Hightower had already made contact with two separate groups in Illinois.
- Long-term Conference Planning - Murray Lowe distributed a letter from Dave Koenig to the board concerning long term conference planning with very specific recommendations for the 2008 ABANA Conference. He has been working with Jonathan Nedbor on this project and felt that had a good handle on things, but issues needed to be addressed. His report also emphasized the development of a manual for affiliates interested in working with ABANA on future conferences.

- Murray Lowe distributed a letter from Paul Moffitt to the board regarding the management of future ABANA conferences. The letter is on file in the Central Office

OLD BUSINESS

There was a discussion of creating a special funding category to assist projects like the Boy Scout Jamboree booth. LeeAnn Mitchell passed around a letter and certificate from Drew Hagemann. Last years request was covered by money from Membership Services.

Chris Winterstein mentioned the idea that we do not currently fund career development. A discussion pursued and the idea of restructuring the scholarship categories was discussed. The idea of having Scholarships cover educational opportunities and that grants be spilt into two new categories, “structured” and “special”, was discussed.

The idea of past due advertising accounts be allowed to pay off their debt via tools in trade was discussed. The consensus was that the policy should be not to do this, but perhaps there are times when exceptions are in order. If this avenue is pursued then the tools would be traded at wholesale value. If, for example, the vendor wanted the tools to go the conference then the conference would have to pay the advertising bill based on the wholesale value of the traded items.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Friday, October 28, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 8:43 a.m. by President Don Kemper and the roll was taken.

Those in attendance were:

Elizabeth Brim	Erik Lander	Dorothy Stiegler
Maegan Crowley	Scott Lankton	James Viste
Bob Jacoby	Murray Lowe	Chris Winterstein
Jerry Kagele	Dave Mudge	Clare Yellin
Don Kemper	Dan Nauman	
	Eric Ryser	

Other persons in attendance were Rob Edwards, Editor of *The Anvil's Ring*, Brian Gilbert, Editor of *Hammer's Blow*, LeeAnn Mitchell, ABANA Central Office Administrator, Marcus Vickery, Conference Coordinator & Registrar and Cinde Wagner, ABANA Accountant.

Treasurer's Report-Dorothy Stiegler

Dorothy Stiegler and Cinde Wagner presented the financial reports for September as well as the conference budget to date. Dorothy discussed the existing budget. She thanked everyone for staying on budget and indicated that if things stay on track ABANA is in good shape. Dorothy

also discussed the financial procedures within the organization for the benefit of the new members. She also talked about the large volume of two year renewals this year and how that needs to be reserved for the 2007 fiscal year. Dorothy also talked about the expenses involved with the \$1.00 sale, but felt like the project was working out in the long run.

2006 BUDGET

Clare Yellin presented the preliminary budget and each line item was discussed. Ideas were discussed to reduce the deficit. Jerry Kagele also reviewed the current 2006 Conference budget line by line. The finalization of the budget would occur after contract negotiations

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:30 and resumed at 2:27 p.m.

2008 ABANA CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

Jonathan Nedbor of the Northeast Blacksmiths Association made a Power Point presentation to the board for consideration of holding the 2008 ABANA Conference at the State University of New York in New Paltz. He detailed the areas of campus that ABANA could utilize and a good overview of the city. The board discussed the nature of the relationship between ABANA and the Northeast Blacksmiths Association.

CENTRAL OFFICE BID

LeeAnn Mitchell, President and CEO of LeeAnn Mitchell Arts, Inc., discussed her bid with the board.

MOTION # 5 - Maegan Crowley made a motion that the board move into executive session. Scott Lankton seconded the motion. PASSED

The board moved out of executive session.

Rob Edwards discussed his bid with the board.

MOTION # 6 - Scott Lankton made a motion that the board move into executive session. Jerry Kagele seconded the motion. PASSED

The board moved out of executive session.

MOTION # 7 - Dorothy Stiegler made a motion to offer a one year contract at the 2005 rate to Sebastian Publishing for their bid to publish *The Anvil's Ring* and *Hammer's Blow* for 2006. Scott Lankton seconded the motion. Motion to table was made by Jerry Kagele and seconded by Bob Jacoby.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 29, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by President Don Kemper and the roll was taken. Those in attendance were:

Elizabeth Brim	Erik Lander	Dorothy Stiegler
Maegan Crowley	Scott Lankton	James Viste
Bob Jacoby	Murray Lowe	Chris Winterstein
Jerry Kagele	Dave Mudge	Clare Yellin
Don Kemper	Dan Nauman	
	Eric Ryser	

Rob Edwards of Sebastian Publishing submitted an alternative to his previous bid.

MOTION # 8- Scott Lankton made a motion that the board move into executive session. Dorothy Stiegler seconded the motion.

The board moved back into regular session.

MOTION # 9 - Jerry Kagele made a motion that the ABANA Board make the following offer to Sebastian Publishing.

1. That the terms of the 2005 contract be offered for a term of one year for 2006.
2. That ABANA will pay \$3,600 for the conversion of eight pages in *The Anvil's Ring* for 2006.
3. That ABANA will write letters of appreciation to *The Anvil's Ring* suppliers as designated by Sebastian Publishing.
4. That the ABANA Board agrees to support the publication in supplying articles.
5. This offer is valid until November 15, 2006.

MOTION # 10 - Dorothy Stiegler made a motion to accept the bid from LeeAnn Mitchell Arts, Inc. for \$56, 764.00. This bid does not include services to keep the Central Office open during the 2006 ABANA Conference. Dan Nauman seconded the motion. PASSED.

MOTION # 11 - Jerry Kagele made a motion to change the title of Central Office Administrator to Executive Director. Chris Winterstein seconded the motion. Bob Jacoby moved to table the motion because of a titular change to the ABANA Bylaws. Jerry Kagele argued that this was not the case.

MOTION #12 - Bob Jacoby made a motion to table the motion until the contractual obligations can be reviewed. Erik Lander seconded the motion. Six votes for, eight votes against. Motion to table FAILED.

MOTION #13 - Scott Lankton moved to amend Jerry Kagele's original motion and call LeeAnn Mitchell the Central Office Executive Director. Clare Yellin called for a revote on the original motion. The motion was PASSED with four dissents.

MOTION #14 - Scott Lankton made a motion to accept the current budget as presented by Clare Yellin. James Viste seconded the motion. Chris Winterstein moved to amend the motion to approve a conference allocation of \$32,234.00. Maegan Crowley seconded the amendment. The amendment PASSED and the motion PASSED.

OLD BUSINESS

Scholarship Report

Chris Winterstein discussed changes to the scholarship form. Chris suggested limiting the award to \$1,000 or \$1,200 on Category "C". He would also like to see the membership requirement be raised to one year and only award two Category "C" scholarships per year. LeeAnn Mitchell asked him to please update the scholarship form as soon as possible so it could be posted on the website and we can start with the new forms in 2006.

NEW BUSINESS

Dave Mudge and Rob Edwards made a proposal and bid for the online advertising market place.

MOTION #15 - Chris Winterstein made a motion to accept Rob Edward's proposal for the online ABANA Market Place. This offer will extend until November 15th. PASSED.

Bob Jacoby suggested that we develop a specific logo and language for advertisers to use with their advertisement.

MOTION #16 - Bob Jacoby made a motion to form a committee to specifically address the idea of ABANA members' and advertisers' use of the ABANA logo and references to ABANA. PASSED.

Don Kemper ask that Bob Jacoby chair this committee with Dave Mudge, Dorothy Stiegler and Elizabeth Brim as members.

People in the room that were not ABANA Board members were asked to leave the room with the exception of LeeAnn Mitchell

Bealer Committee- Scott Lankton passed out a letter written by Len Ledet nominating a person for the Bealer Award. Scott promised to bring this up to the committee. Scott then presented to the ABANA Board the 2006 Bealer Award Nominee.

MOTION #17 - Scott Lankton made a motion to accept the nomination of the Bealer Award Committee for the 2006 recipient. Dorothy Stiegler seconded the motion. PASSED.

MOTION #18 - Elizabeth Brim made a motion to award Brent Kington a lifetime membership in ABANA. Erik Ryser seconded the motion. PASSED.

Non-board members returned to the room

MOTION #19 - Dorothy Stiegler made a motion to bring Will Hightower's Motion #4 from the 2004 ABANA Board meeting in Richmond, Kentucky back to the table. Clare Yellin seconded the motion. The original motion reads as follows:

MOTION #4

Will Hightower made a motion that ABANA delay the deadline for board nominations in order to accommodate the recruitment of candidates at the conferences. Dorothy Stiegler seconded the motion. The motion was discussed. Jerry Kagele moved to table the motion. Bob Jacoby seconded the motion to table. FAILED

Break for lunch at 12:15 p.m. and resumed at 1:45 p.m.

MOTION #20 - Dorothy Stiegler made a motion to have ABANA dues increase by the following amounts: Students & Libraries \$45, Seniors \$50, Regular \$55 and professional exposure list at \$45 annually. James Viste seconded the motion. PASSED

MOTION #21 - Scott Lankton made a motion that a portion of future 'Iron-in-the-Hat' funds from conferences be used to produce promotional materials. Erik Lander seconded the motion. PASSED.

MOTION #22 - Murray Lowe made a motion to accept Ron Reil's generous donation of his website to ABANA. Dave Mudge seconded the motion. PASSED.

MOTION #23 - Dorothy Stiegler made a motion to hold the 2008 ABANA Conference at the State University of New York, New Paltz. Scott Lankton seconded the motion. PASSED.

MOTION #24 - Dave Mudge made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dan Nauman seconded the motion. PASSED.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.