

**KAS BOARD MEETING  
LYON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
JANUARY 16, 2002  
10:00 AM**

The meeting was called to order by President, Steve Johnson. Those in attendance were: Steve Johnson, Angela Kohls, Monica McClure, Tim Wagner, Greg Willis, Darcy Basye and Scott Schwinn.

Tim presented the meeting minutes from the November 14, 2001 meeting. A motion to approve those minutes was made by Angela Kohls, 2nded by Monica McClure. Motion passed. Tim passed out copies of the IAFP annual report that KAS has to turn in. After a review and no changes being made, it will be submitted by Tim. Steve asked if KAS was required to have at least five members from KAS be members of IAFP. Greg stated that from the checks he receives from IAFP that there are many members of KAS that are members of IAFP. Monica will not be able to attend the IAFP conference this year, Angela thought that maybe she could and would get back with Steve on this issue. Steve wanted to know if anyone from KAS had ever been nominated for any of the IAFP awards, no one could recall. Next the board went over the latest membership list and deleted some names and made corrections to others. Darcy stated that Dan Partridge would like to know if KAS still wants the membership list on disk. Greg stated yes and the membership cards and stickers need to go out. Tim will get an updated list to Dan.

Greg then presented the treasurer's report. A hard copy was provided for the minutes. He made an adjustment to accounts in order to bring the Bill Spaniol fund up to the requested ten thousand dollars. Currently it is in two CD's that will mature in September and then they will be combined into one. The fall conference has been paid off and some dues have come in. Tim moved to approve the report as presented, 2nded by Scott. Motion passed.

Darcy then stated that the food section had no report at this time. Angela stated that the state is updating the food code and re-doing Focus on Food Safety. The issue of nominating someone for an IAFP award came up again. The person who came up was Dr. Penner. Angela will ask Mary Glassburner about nominating her or someone else. Monica will ask Ernie Barnes after Mary Glassburner has been asked.

Scott reported for the at large section. He had been doing some work in regard to the internship program and had talked with KU. Steve said that he should talk with Steve Paige in regards to the governors internship program. Scott then asked if all the recipients of awards got their plaques. The thought was that they did, John Davis was doing it for the last time. Next year Scott will need to get award plaques. Generally there are three plaques, they are past president, sanitarian of the year and special recognition. Steve may talk to McPherson College and their internship program and see if there is a membership list of colleges involved in the program.

Angela then presented an update for the upcoming conferences. The spring conference will be May 8-9, 2002 at Rock Springs 4-H camp. Registration will be 11AM to 1PM on the 8<sup>th</sup>, at 1PM the welcome and then several 45 minute sessions adjourning at 4:30 PM. Sessions will begin at 8AM on the 9<sup>th</sup> and there will be an open mike from 11:30-12:00PM then adjourn. There are still soe open time slots for speakers. Tim will get contact information for Daivd Tharp, director of IAFP, for possible speaker at conference. Also possibilities may be Hutch brine wells ( Mike Cochran), Greg would speak on the Hoisington tornado, or Dan Partridge maybe would speak on WHP. Some other topics that were discussed as possibles for the conference were mold, bio-terrorism, and vectors, however there is a vector conference in April at K-state. There are 8 available presentations for 45 minute slots. The plan is to have the evening campfire like last year. Angela has reserved a small block of rooms at Motel 6 for people who do not want to stay at the campground. The next issue was the cut-off date for registration, the newsletter goes out the first of March. The decision was that the deadline for registration would be April 15, 2002, after that date a ten dollar late fee would apply.

Monica then updated on the progress of the newsletter. She has started on it, she wanted to know if Steve wanted to have a message for the newsletter. There will be a West Nile virus update in it. The deadline for information will be March 1, 2002. There will short notes apprising members of what is going on at the board meetings. An issue that was discussed was eliminating dues payment at the spring conference.

The next issue discussed was the possible financial support of the MACAFTO meeting to be held June 5, 2002. Ernie Barnes had sent a letter requesting KAS be an underwriter for the meeting. If KAS does do this, the money would have to be funneled through KPHA. Question was what would this do for KAS as far as any recognition for support. Steve will get with Ernie to get more clarification on the issue, then contact everyone for a vote.

Steve then presented the presidents report. He is going to attend the NEHA conference. As far as the IAFP, Monica cannot attend, Angela will look into the possibility of her attending. Steve will be attending a public health day at the statehouse February 11, 2002 Dennis Foster is putting together a brochure on the LEP program, that Steve and Dan Partridge will hand out. If anyone else is interested they can let Steve know.

Steve then addressed Old business. At this time he is under the assumption that Richard Ziesenis has signed the RS agreement with NEHA. He has not heard from Jerry McNamar regarding the emergency management issue. The issue of student membership rates was tabled from the last meeting. The discussion was why charge. The decision was to have a student membership be free if full time at an accredited school. Need to add this information to the KAS brochure and check the bylaws to see if they need changed in this regard.

Jerry McNamar is the new auditing chair.

The issue of purchasing more study materials for the RS exam was discussed, as was study material for food safety inspectors. After lengthy discussion greg moved to purchase 2 new sets of RS study material and 1 set of food safety study material and training tapes, 2nded by Angela. Motion passed.

Steve then presented New business. A discussion was held regarding a web page for KAS. It should not be a static page but an interactive page, with hot button connections to other sites. The complaint is that KAS does not do enough for its members. The cost of the page are reported to be approximately \$1,000.00 to set up then \$500.00 annual fee in order to maintain the page. With the cost of all the current mailings that go out this may well be off-set. Newsletter could go out on this page as well as any current information that sanitarians and food inspectors need to know about. The suggestion was to see if NEHA offered anything like this to its affiliates.

KS childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Conference is coming up and KAS has been asked to have a display. Dennis is working on this.

The next issue was should KAS look into hiring a lobbyist to oversee their interest at the state legislature. Steve had talked to Sally Finney, who has been doing it for us the last several years, regarding compensation for her, she stated that it was part of her job with KPHA. Asked if a lobbyist would help her she stated that one would. Questions arose as to what status would it put KAS in as far as paperwork and reporting category with the IRS if we have a lobbyist. This could create a problem.

The next board meeting was set for April 24, 2002 at Rock Springs. There being no further discussion the meeting was adjourned.