

USGBC-GHAC
Board Meeting

April 16, 2008
Minutes

Attendees: Tim Murray, Kathleen English, Gayle Smith, Charles Browne, Keith Reihl, Lora-Marie Bernard, Jody Henry, Paul Rhodes, Steve Stelzer, Jim Brunson, Jeff Chapman, Carrie Glassman Shoemake, Jim Broughton

Regrets: Julie Hendricks, Gordon Sheppard, Reid Middlebrooks

Meeting was called to order by Tim Murray at 6PM.

1. Guest Presentation and Vote – Green Hour Radio Show.
After the presentation and a question/answer session, the Board discussed privately and voted to accept the proposal and begin radio production.
2. Meeting Minutes were accepted as produced.
3. Charles Browne presented our financial picture. We now have a wireless credit card machine. We will have a new gateway authorize.net for taking funds via the website.
4. Chairman Report
IREM event was fantastic
GHP Lights out Houston which will hopefully become a habit for Houston businesses
The SCRC Quarterly Meeting was hosted in Houston and we got rave reviews for organization.
Gulf Coast Green – Jody and committee threw a GREAT party.
And we will be supporting the City tour of Horizon Wind Energy, April 30th from 11AM until 2PM.
5. Kathleen English discussed the Liason List and several of us volunteered to communicate with the other organizations on the list. Our goal is to support any of the organizations “green” activities and to offer our help with presentations to their organizations.
6. Jim Brunson and Lora-Marie Bernard presented the web policy. Please read and send your comments concerns to them. Also, read your bio on the website and send any corrections to Lora-Marie.
7. We discussed the concern of how to coordinate the booths at all of the events that we are attending. We should continue to discuss.

8. Other items brought to us by Lora-Marie:
 - a. A review of our monthly membership programs
 - b. And a review of our sponsor stewardship program. She included a copy of the sponsor survey results in our packets
 - c. Lora-Marie also provided a copy of her time usage report
9. We still need to discuss and decide on an Administrative Assistant.

2008 Board of Directors Strategic Priorities

1. Board Generated: Advisory Council that will produce the Green Building Action Plan as well as other yet to be defined priorities.
2. Advocacy: Texas Legislation regarding green building and energy codes
3. Leed for Homes: Green Home Tours
4. EGB/Special Events: Create EGB Scholarships
5. Programs: Hold 10 Chapter Meetings
6. Fundraising: Engage Sponsors
7. Special Events/Fundraising: Successful Sponsorship and Awards Events
8. Education: Best practices learned forums
9. Industry Relations: Engage in dialog with allied organizations
10. Membership: Create and conduct membership survey
11. Membership: Increase membership by 10% to 1200

Each committee chair reports specifically on these priorities at each Board Meeting.