



Minutes of the GOSHA Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 4th March 2009 at HSE, Burnt Lane St Martins

Persons Present

Andrew Mills, Steve Roussel, Clare McArdell, Paul Craig, Gordon Snell, Jonathan Coyde, Simon Welch, Ian Whattam, Tony Hubert, Richard Pinchemain and Mhairi Macgregor

Apologies

Richard Brown (HSE)

Special Notice

David Norman has resigned from his role as deputy chairman. He wished GOSHA all the best for the future and Marine & General wish to remain as members. JC to send M&G a membership form.

Minutes of the committee meeting held on the 15th January 2009

The minutes were approved.

Matters Arising

- **Membership Packs;** The membership packs were handed out at the meeting and individual committee members were given the responsibility for hand delivering the packs to GOSHA members. A stock of 20 packs remains with JC.
- **Poster and Design Competition;** AM stated that the competition is moving forward and Blanchard Junior have requested that a GOSHA representative conduct a presentation.
- **Managing Health & safety course;** A new date has been set and the course is being managed by the Guernsey Training Agency. Three/four candidates have expressed an interest in this training. GS confirmed that the charge will be £25.00 per candidate.
- **Booklets;** RB not present but CM has been advised that the booklets will be available by the end of March.
- **Officers;** SR agreed to become the education officer and SR to advise GOSHA on his ideas about future courses and training. AM to liaise with SR on this new role.
- **Aims for 2009;** JC has Investigated the provision of a internet based health & safety information source type system and recommended the Croners website as the most appropriate choice to support GOSHA members. Croners have offered the service at a discounted rate of £215.00 + VAT per licence. AM to circulate a flyer to GOSHA members to gauge their interest and committee agreed that the member would have to pay the full amount but they would benefit from the discounted rate.
- JC has begun investigating the launch of an independent GOSHA Health & Safety Award for Small and Medium sized businesses. The subcommittee consisting of JC, SW and CM will meet shortly on this matter.

Treasurer's Update;

The current balance stands at £9,915.89. There twenty two corporate, nine individual members and one charity member

Website/ next Newsletter

PC to write the next newsletter which AM would like to see written on a bi monthly basis.

It was agreed that a 'gg' website address for GOSHA will be organised by SW and run side by side with the existing website.

SW has recently switched from C&W to Wave and that this has created a problem accessing the website. JL also gave SW a copy of the 'dreamweaver' software in order to update/build the website but unfortunately this is unlicensed. AM suggested that GOSHA buy a laptop with 'dreamweaver' together with a projector. This will give GOSHA complete independence and allow presentations to be run without relying on third parties providing the equipment. SW and CM to source quotes separately and report back to the Committee on the best value package.

GS offered the use of his dreamweaver package to SW as a stop gap measure.

Future Open Meetings

19/3/2009 – HSE Speaker – Noise (confirmed by RB)

21/5/2009 – CM to organise

17/9/2009 – COSHH/Behavioural Safety (MM thought this was a possible topic choice)

26/11/2009 – 5th Anniversary dinner and presentation. JC confirmed that the President of IOSH has been booked. St Pierre Park Hotel could be a possible venue. CM has investigated.

Future site visits

JC to set up a tour to Guernsey Post in conjunction with their Safety Officer.

GS confirmed that a visit to the Guernsey Brewery has been booked for the 1st April 2009 and there 24 spaces. It will cost £3.00 a head and be a 1800 start.

AM to liaise with RP regarding a visit to the Guernsey Harbour.

AOB

CM suggested changing the format of the open meeting so that dinner is eaten first. AM felt that the change of location to Les Cotils should be tried first and then the Committee will look at the format later.

AM asked MM if she would investigate the European Safety Week 2009 and how GOSHA can tie in with it.

Committee agreed that cancellation fees to open meetings will be charged at the full amount on the day or £5 up to seven days before.

Date of next meeting

The date of committee meeting for 2009 will be;

Monday 18th May 2009

Wednesday 15th July 2009

Thursday 17th September 2009

Monday 2nd November 2009

(always 12.30 at HSE Burnt Lane,SM).