

NACBA, Alamo Chapter
Minutes of meeting August 12, 2010
Alamo Heights United Methodist Church, San Antonio, TX

Attending: Jodie Sell, Chris DiSabato, Butch Gerfers, Sid Underwood, Marian Hyson, Janice Gentry, Norm Hils, Sharon Parham, Hermy Rudloff, Joyce Streuding, John Gordon

President Jodie L. Sell welcomed all to the meeting. Joys and concerns were lifted in prayer.

Reports/Action Items:

1. Butch Gerfers recommended approval of the June minutes. Motion was seconded, and minutes were approved as written.
2. Jodie Sell gave the Treasurer's report in Debbie Vignes' absence. Since the last meeting interest was posted to the chapter bank account, which now has an ending balance of \$2,002.04.
3. Norm Hils gave a recap of the NACBA conference. Gary Birdwell also attended the meeting but was not present at this meeting. Norm recommended that anyone interested in going to a national conference but not able to completely fund it should look at the scholarships available to NACBA members. Some of the things learned at the conference:

Presenter Frank Sommerville: a provision in the new Healthcare legislation requires that Forms 1099 must be given to all corporations, whether the corporations provide merchandise or services, beginning in 2012. The IRS has asked for a reconsideration of the issue.

Additionally, there is a move to challenge the constitutionality of the clergy housing allowance. He thinks that the housing allowance benefit may go away within four years.

Presenter Elaine Sommerville: about 98% of exempt organizations are in non-compliance with IRS payroll rules—usually in the area of benefits.

She also stressed that organizations need to maintain timesheets for ALL non-exempt employees. There is a \$5000 fine per violation.

Elaine mentioned a case in which the IRS assessed employment taxes on student-designated amounts raised through fundraising activities. It is permissible for students to participate in fundraising activities as long as all the money goes into a pool to benefit all students.

Norm sought & received approval to copy Frank Sommerville's handout for chapter members. He also asked the same of Richard Hammar but had not yet received approval at the time of the meeting. (Thanks, Norm!)

Norm also accepted the Alamo Chapter recognition certificate at the chapter luncheon.

Norm recommended groups.yahoo.com/churchadmin website for good information. Butch also suggested the Leadership Network for quality information.

4. Jodie asked for host churches and suggestions for speakers for upcoming programs. See the handout attached for updates.

Program: Roundtable Discussion

1. Joyce Streuding suggested that the annual property tax on leased property be included with lease payments.
2. Hermy asked whether it was the church's or the pastor's responsibility to maintain the parsonage yard. The consensus of the group was that it was the pastor's responsibility.
3. Chris DiSabato asked about the current security situation at the churches represented. He mentioned that they have two uniformed officers who patrol on Sundays. They require security for weddings and funerals and they pass the charges along to the families. John Gordon mentioned that they have three guards on Sundays at Wayside Chapel. He said that Sundays seem to be OK, but not so during the week.
4. Norm asked for a survey of computer systems. Alamo Heights, Coker, & Windcrest use Shelby. Several churches use ACS or Quick Books.
5. Chris asked if any churches had policies about computer platforms (i.e., whether all Windows or Macs, etc). Chris mentioned that this could be a time-consuming and potentially costly situation when employees insist upon using more than one system.
6. Sid Underwood recommended Security One for security work. He recently ended their contract with Simplex Grinnell.
7. There was a brief discussion about janitors and floor cleaning.

Next Meeting: September 9, 2010 at Windcrest UMC. The speaker will be Jim Boyle of Royal Care, speaking about AEDs.

Submitted by Janice Gentry