

**Board of Directors Meeting
24 – October , 2022
The Legends, Biloxi, MS**

Meeting called to order by President Bruce Reich at 3:27 PM.

Attending: Ram Alejandre, Larry Barton, Mike Groves, Bob Harwood, Justin Morisak, Richard Staiano, Alex Syntax, David Wilcox, Directors, Greg Sowers, Treasurer, Art Smith, Executive Secretary, Bob Browning, Guest, Trey Strickland, Guest.

Minutes for 03 February, 2022, held in Las Vegas, NV had been emailed to all board members previously. Printed copies were not available. Rich Staiano motioned they be approved, seconded by Bob Harwood. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report made by Greg Sowers. Cash in bank @ 12/31/21 \$65,756. 2021 had \$30,800 income with a net of \$16,947.00 Greg said he would email detailed reports to the board. Motion to approve report by Ram Alejandre, Seconded by David Wilcox. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Audit – Art advised he has not received detailed statements and bank statements to be able to provide an audit report.

Convention - Mike advised no contracts or room guarantees were made which will keep convention costs down. Appears to be working well. There were some difficulties with restaurant reservations due to small town atmosphere in Biloxi. It was a little difficult figuring out a ladies program not knowing what the ladies would want to do.

2023 Convention will be in Dallas , Texas, hosted by Compressors Unlimited International. Mike will work with David on details.

Convention Education – There was discussion about subjects to consider for convention education. Rich suggested that we use ICRA funds to hire speakers (perhaps retired OEM instructors) for our education program. No decisions were made.

Membership - Art reported that Jyoti Engineering in India had joined. It was reported that Remacon is closing down.

Nominating - Mike Groves nominated Larry Barton ;to become an Honorary Board Member. Greg Sowers seconded. Motion carried. Bruce advised that he would work on committee assignments.

Purchasing – No Report

Screw Compressors – No Report

Website/Member Forum – David advised there are questions about what members want on it and what kind of usage there will be. Discussion ensued about how to ask members for requirements. David advised he would have Aaron available for the general meeting to discuss how to work this out.

Old Business – None reported

New Business – It was discussed about forming a committee for research and development of parts and/or products for our members. Perhaps develop a part (or need for one), go to vendors to see if they want to develop. If vendors do not, members will group together and carry it forward. Alex volunteered to chair this committee.

Alex also suggested a new direction for the organization with a focus on cooperatively doing business with each other as opposed to concentrating on educational sessions during conventions. He feels that interaction between membership is more vital to our survival.

There being no further business, Rich motioned to adjourn at 4:445 PM, seconded by David. Motion Carried.

**Respectfully submitted,
Art Smith, Executive Secretary**