

Ohio Chapter ISA Annual Meeting Minutes

February 27, 2020

Dayton Convention Center

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am following a 30-minute educational session. 117 members and 19 guests were recorded as present.

Opening Remarks

President Tyler Stevenson recognized board members, liaisons, exhibitors and sponsors. He also thanked the OTCC committee members for their efforts in putting together a stellar program.

Necrology

There was a moment of silence honoring Peter Scarff and Larry Hanks.

Awards

The following awards were presented:

Award of Merit	Steve Cothrel
Award of Achievement	Dr. Carolyn Keiffer, American Chestnut Foundation
Honorary Life Member	Jim Chatfield
ISA Gold Leaf	Keep Ohio Beautiful
Safety Award	City of Dayton
Special Heartwood Award	Jennifer Clegg
President's Award	Eric Davis

TREE Fund

Russell King presented the TREE Fund report. He acknowledged the Ohio Chapter for their continued contributions.

ISA Report

ISA component relations specialist Diedrea White presented the ISA report.

Chapter Report

President Stevenson reported on:

- The specialty "tree" license plate now available and encouraged members to update their profile in order to be listed in the new Ohio "find an arborist" search program through trees4ohio.org.
- The Chapter now has radio commercials airing throughout the state referring listeners to visit trees4ohio.org.
- A new Mentor Program is available for members who need career guidance, looking to expand their professional network or explore different sectors of the profession; and individuals interested in entering the profession.
- We have two new student chapters – one from The Ohio State University and one from Tolles Career & Technical Center.
- Introduced a new scholarship sponsorship program.

Chapter Scholarships

2018 scholarship recipients were recognized:

Certified Arborist \$750 Scholarship

- David Norris

Professional Development \$500 Scholarship

- Carrie Paulus
- Dawn Sherman

Traditional Student \$1,000 Scholarship

- Robert Hammond
- Ryan Vogel

Meeting Minutes

The 2019 annual meeting minutes and the annual report including a financial update were available at each table.

MOTION: There was a motion and a second to accept the 2019 annual meeting minutes as presented. Hearing no corrections, the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report

President Stevenson provided the financial report noting that the Chapter remains in good standing and the annual tax returns are available on the Chapter's website as required by IRS for non-profit 501(c)3 organizations.

Election Results

The 2020 Board of Directors were announced as David Bienemann (President); Virginia Bowman (Vice President), Eric Davis (Treasurer), Jay Butcher, Scott Conover, Dale Hopkins, Kevin Jones, Sue Mottl, Steve Schneider and Tyler Stevenson (Past President).

Bienemann presented Stevenson with the outgoing president's plaque, honorary life membership, and thanked him for his years of service.

Adjournment

No further business being heard, President Bienemann adjourned the meeting at 9:42 am.

Dixie J. Russell, CAE, CMP
Executive Director and Secretary