

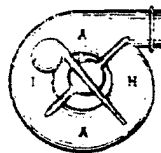
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MINUTES BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

AMERICAN INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE ASSOCIATION, MAY 10, 1944

New Hotel Jefferson, St. Louis, Mo.

The Board of Directors Meeting of the American Industrial Hygiene Association was called to order by H. H. Schrenk at 8:00 P.M., May 10, 1944, in Room Six, New Hotel Jefferson, St. Louis, Missouri. Those present were: H. H. Schrenk, E. C. Barnes, J. B. Littlefield, W. R. Bradley, M. Bowditch, J. J. Bloomfield, W. A. Cook, Philip Drinker, J. W. Fehnel, W. C. L. Hemeon, D. D. Irish, R. A. Kehoe, E. G. Meiter, J. H. Sterner and W. N. Witheridge.

President Schrenk reviewed briefly the Minutes of the Board of Directors Meetings held in Rochester, N. Y., May 25, 1943, and Pittsburgh, Pa., November 10, 1943.

The resolution regarding the labeling of solvents was sent to Donald Nelson, Chairman of the War Production Board, and to Thomas Parran, Surgeon General, U. S. Public Health Service. Correspondence and further action were held until later in the meeting.

There was a brief discussion regarding the resolution concerning proper utilization of industrial hygiene personnel, but no further action was taken at this time.

A letter from the American Standards Association was read which stated that necessary approvals had been obtained so that the American Industrial Hygiene Association could be represented on the Safety Code Committee Z37 - "Allowable Concentrations of Toxic Dusts and Gases", also that the Association can now be represented on the Safety Code Correlating Committee. Dr. R. A. Kehoe had already been appointed with Dr. C. P. McCord and Philip Drinker as alternates, to represent the American Industrial Hygiene Association on the Z37 Committee. President Schrenk appointed W. P. Yant, with J. J. Bloomfield as alternate, to represent the Association on the Safety Code Correlating Committee.

President Schrenk read a letter from Helen C. Cummings expressing her appreciation to the Board of Directors of the American Industrial Hygiene Association for their high regard of D. E. Cummings as expressed in arranging a Memorial Lecture in his honor.

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The Treasurer's report was read by J. B. Littlefield. Upon motion by Philip Drinker, seconded by D. D. Irish, the Treasurer's report was unanimously approved, subject to the approval of the Auditing Committee.

The Secretary's report was read by E. C. Barnes. Upon motion by Philip Drinker, seconded by J. W. Fehnel, this report was unanimously approved.

A report of the editorial activities was given by W. A. Cook. He indicated that Industrial Medicine would be interested in expanding the American Industrial Hygiene Association Section of Industrial Medicine. It was generally agreed that this would be desirable if suitable papers could be obtained.

Motion was made by M. Bowditch, seconded by J. J. Bloomfield, and unanimously approved, that the Editor of The Journal of Industrial Hygiene and Toxicology meet with the Program Committee to decide on publication of papers presented at the Annual Meeting.

Motion was made by J. H. Sterner, seconded by D. D. Irish, and unanimously approved, that the Board of Directors of the Association favor meeting again with the Governmental Industrial Hygienists and the American Association of Industrial Physicians and Surgeons in 1945. R. A. Kehoe and J. J. Bloomfield will discuss this with the American Association of Industrial Physicians and Surgeons, and Boston or Atlantic City will be looked upon favorably as a meeting place. Consideration will also be given to other cities.

Motion was made by W. A. Cook, seconded by E. G. Meiter, and unanimously approved, that the Board of Directors of the American Industrial Hygiene Association convey their thoughts to the American Association of Industrial Physicians and Surgeons that at all future meetings the scientific exhibits be separated from the commercial exhibits.

Motion was made by J. H. Sterner, seconded by Philip Drinker, and unanimously approved, that tentative approval be given for continuing with the present financial arrangement concerning the Annual Meeting, namely, that net income or deficit associated with the joint conference be distributed in the ratio of 90 percent to the American Association of Industrial Physicians and Surgeons and 10 percent to the American Industrial Hygiene Association.

Motion was made by D. D. Irish, seconded by Philip Drinker, and unanimously approved, that the American Industrial Hygiene Association prepare a mimeographed tentative program that will be sent to members at least two months before the annual meeting.

It was agreed by the Board of Directors that consideration should be given to the selection of a person to present the Donald E. Cummings Memorial Lecture at our Annual Meeting in 1945, and that each member of the Board of Directors should present his suggestions to the Chairman of the Program Committee prior to the next meeting of the Board of Directors.

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A letter addressed to the Association from American Association for an International Office for Education, Dr. Harrow Shapley, Chairman, was read by the Secretary and it was voted that no further action should be taken in connection with their request for endorsement of their Association.

President Schrenk then read the correspondence which he had received from Dr. J. G. Townsend, who answered for the Surgeon General of the U. S. Public Health Service the letter transmitting the resolution recommending proper labeling of solvents. After discussion, a motion was made by J. J. Bloomfield, seconded by W. A. Cook, and unanimously approved, that a committee be appointed to meet with the present "Labeling Committee" of the Surgeon General's Office and that this Committee express the views of the Board of Directors regarding informative labeling and report back to the Board of Directors on the status of the labeling problem. Dr. D. B. Irish and Manfred Bowditch were appointed as members of this committee.

Motion was made by W. A. Cook, seconded by J. J. Bloomfield, and unanimously approved, that the President write to Dr. J. G. Townsend and request his approval for making copies of the letter from Mr. Watson to Dr. Townsend and distribute these copies to the members of the Board of Directors of the American Industrial Hygiene Association.

President Schrenk then reviewed the correspondence and suggestions concerning employment of a paid executive secretary by the Association. Philip Drinker had previously offered to do this work, but he has now been forced to withdraw his offer. It was the opinion of many members of the Board of Directors that it would be desirable to employ a paid executive secretary so that the Association's activities could be expanded somewhat, providing a suitable person could be located who would do the work at appropriate salary. Motion was made by W. A. Cook, seconded by J. J. Bloomfield, and unanimously approved, that the President appoint a committee to locate an available person and recommend an amount of compensation, this committee to report back to the Board of Directors at its next meeting.

Motion was made by W. A. Cook, seconded by D. D. Irish, and unanimously approved, that a committee be appointed by the President to stimulate local section activity and formulate suitable simple instructions for local sections, including a suggested Constitution.

The following resolution was presented to the President by W. A. Cook:

RESOLUTION - AMERICAN INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE ASSOCIATION

"WHEREAS, H. R. 4371 introduced into Congress will permit the U. S. Department of Labor to allocate \$5,000,000 to State Agencies administering labor laws for maintaining safe working conditions and controlling industrial health hazards, and,

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"WHEREAS, Funds are at present allocated by the U. S. Public Health Service to the State Departments now undertaking this work, and

"WHEREAS, 38 States are conducting industrial hygiene activities effectively in the State, County and Municipal Health Departments, and

"WHEREAS, the passage of this bill would not only cause duplication of present services with waste of public funds, but would result in confusion in industry and friction between State Departments,

"BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Chairman of the Congressional Committee now considering this bill".

According to Article 6, Section 3, of the By-laws, "all resolutions for submission to the Association shall be referred to the appropriate committee for study and recommendation". President Schrenk then appointed the Board of Directors to act as a committee and pass on this resolution. Motion was made by Philip Drinker, seconded by D. D. Irish, that the resolution be approved and submitted to the members at the Annual Meeting on Thursday, May 11, 1944. After discussion, this motion was withdrawn by Drinker with the approval of Irish. No further action on the resolution was taken. The resolution was not presented at the Annual Meeting of the Membership.

On motion by Philip Drinker, seconded by J. J. Bloomfield, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 P.M.


E. C. Barnes,
Secretary.

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