

VCSA Executive Board Meeting  
Holiday Inn Select  
Lynchburg, VA  
June 14, 2006

PRESENT: Richard Abbott, Nancy Garrett, Fred Kern, Cathy Simmons, Marty Shirilla, Marc Woolverton, Rosie Fagan and Guests: Bonnie Crews, G.P. Howell, Joyce Sachs

President Richard Abbott opened the meeting at 1 a.m. at the Holiday Inn in Lynchburg. The purpose of the meeting was to finalize plans for the Fall Training Conference on October 6, 7. Members approved the accommodations and meeting facilities made by Central Virginia Crime Stoppers program. Joyce Sachs was given the “go ahead” for the arrangements.

Registration will take place from 11:00 a.m. on Friday for a last-minute review of activities. Tom Kifer will be asked to serve as a moderator on a session of “successes” by different programs and the resources available. Resources to be covered include media, public relations, functions, Crime Line in the Schools, Crime Line in the Boys and Girls Club.

Registration will be \$75 until September 15; after this date the registration will be \$85. The hotel rate of \$66 + tax, closes on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

There are two sessions that will possibly be accredited by DCJS.

The Treasure, Linwood Bird, has not heard from all the programs in payment of dues. A letter from the treasure of Metro Richmond Crime Stoppers stated the Metro group did not know they were members as they had not received previous invoices for dues and wanted information as to the benefits they would receive as members of the States Association. Metro includes Charles City, Goochland, Hanover, Henrico, New Kent and Richmond. It was noted that the treasury has a balance of \$9,221.10. Richard is in the process of getting a list of all programs and possible new ones. Nancy submitted a comprehensive list of all jurisdictions in the Commonwealth and the name of the person in charge. Richard questioned her having this list; however, she had researched the information for her program in Culpepper. Richard chose to use his format and update it.

Cathy, awards chairman, has all the applications for awards mailed with a return date NLT August 1. The awards will be announced at the Dinner on Saturday night at 6:30. The speaker will be former FBI agent, Ed Sulzbach, Ret. Another retired FBI profiler, Roger Depue, will conduct one of the sessions on Saturday afternoon.

Marc solicited articles for *The Tipster*, which could cover some of the local programs' activities. Mailing *The Tipster* was discussed. It was concluded that it would be placed on the website, and copies mailed to the police departments and sheriffs throughout the state. Those with e-mail addresses will receive a copy.

Attention was called to Tom Kifer for the many contributions and expertise he has brought to the State Association. It has been invaluable to VCSA and should be acknowledged. If there is a possibility of his returning to the Board he would fill a void that exists at the present time. Fred stated that he should withdraw from the office of vice president since he is the immediate past-president.

Fred will have VCSA cds available for all participants.

Joyce Sachs and her committee have done a very thorough job in getting the accommodations, facilities and layout for the conference. This effort is very much appreciated.

**The business meeting and election of directors will be held on Saturday afternoon from 4:15 to 5:00 p.m. The meeting of the new board will be held on Sunday morning beginning at 9:00 a.m.**

Rosamond G. Fagan, Secretary