

RED RIVER VALLEY SAS USERS GROUP
MINUTES
July 15, 2009
12:00 – 3:30
American Crystal Sugar, Moorhead, MN

Present: Iris Gill, Jeremy Fischer, Kayla Kaul, Curtiss Kovash, Sue Erickson, Kevin Martin, Debbie Opatz, Peter Kilpatrick, Dean Hjelle, Kayla Hotvedt, Carmen Williams, Emily Davenport, Janet Carlson, John DeHaan, Carol Drechsel, Gretchen Kost, Jeff Struck, Dwight Galster

Pizza lunch was served at noon at \$4 per person. \$69 collected.

Dean Hjelle called the meeting to order at 12:35 and introductions were made.

REPORTS:

Iris Gill presented the minutes of the November 19, 2008 meeting and the current Treasurer's report plus the 2008 End-of-Year Treasurer's Report. Our current balance is \$1211.38. The end of calendar year report showed that \$697 was received in income during the year and the expenditures were \$461.84. No corrections or additions were noted and both reports were approved (moved Williams, seconded Kilpatrick). To fulfill the annual bank statement review, the June 2009 bank statement was reviewed by the President Dean Hjelle and by the Vice President Jeff Struck.

The 2009 Dues Membership Invoice was handed out. Dues for 2009 are \$25 for an organization, \$5 for an individual, and \$3 for a student.

Carmen Williams asked whether we can use our money for any development purposes. Gill said in past money has only been spent for food expenses. Hjelle said the group can decide to use the money for other purposes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Midwest SAS Users Group 2009 Conference will be held Oct 11-13 in Cleveland, OH
<http://www.mwsug.org/>
- SAS Global Forum 2010 will be held Apr 11-14 in Seattle, WA
<http://support.sas.com/events/sasglobalforum/2010/index.html>

PROGRAM:

- Curtiss Kovash, Basin Electric Power Cooperative – Using SAS to Extract Key Information from Reams of Mainframe Computer Reports
- Kevin Martin, Department of Veteran Affairs – A Gentle Introduction to Hash Tables
- Dwight Galster – Noridian and Adjunct Professor, South Dakota State University – A SAS Basics Tutorial

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following people were elected officers for a one-year term.

- President: Sue Erickson
- Vice President: Debbie Opatz
- Secretary/Treasurer: Kathy Wang

POSSIBLE FUTURE PRESENTATION TOPICS

Carol Drechsel noted that Craig Kasper of the Manitoba SUG had indicated an interest in giving a presentation to our group

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 pm.

Iris Gill, Secretary/Treasurer
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