

#### IMPROVEMENT THROUGH EDUCATION & NETWORKING

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES November 18, 2024

The following Board Members were present: President Mike Movius; Vice President Dr. John Bamberl; Vice President Carol VanOrnum; Treasurer Bill Miller; Secretary Andrew Mizsak; Directors Craig Apperson; Dr. Curt Fields; Dr. Jared Peatman; Steven Rauschkolb; Melissa Winn

### I. WELCOME

President Mike Movius called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM EST

### II. CORPORATE BUSINESS

- Andrew moved, with a second by Bill, that the minutes of the previous meeting be adopted as transcribed. The motion carried unanimously.
- Bill moved, with a second by Andrew, that the Treasurer's report, as submitted, be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.
- Curt shared that because there are not many events going on right now, there have not been many opportunities to speak about the CWRT Congress, however, he will be presenting to the Lexington CWRT (KY), soon.
- John mentioned revisions to the awards program and the sustainability challenge.
- Carol discussed the recent submission to the ECW blog, and the upcoming schedule, as well as the current edition of the Light Post, and that she is in process of putting together (with some assistance from Steve), the annual report.
- Andrew discussed Giving Tuesday, and how we're in a good position to reach our goal dollar amount with two weeks to go.
- Steve shared suggestions about sponsorships for publications and events in 2025, which dove-tailed many of Carol's comments.

## III. CORPORATE INITIATIVES

- a. CWRT Data Update: Mike discussed this briefly, and said we will have to continue working on this effort to make sure our information is complete.
- b. Awards Required Update: This was tabled to a later meeting.
- c. Sustainability Challenge Required Update: This was tabled to a later meeting.

#### IV. 2025 EVENTS

a. Online Classroom – Specifics Needed.

A board-wide discussion on this ensued, where in the free-flow of conversation, each of the topics were briefly touched upon. The conversation also moved to doing this type of event in person, however, unlike Winchester or Indianapolis, having everyone together all day in plenary sessions, with a more narrow-focus of just a few topics. The topics that were discussed were:

- 1) Motivating Leaders
- 2) Member Expansion
- 3) Fundraising
- 4) Program Development
- b. Board Strategy Sessions
  - 1) Joshua L. Chamberlain CWRT (April 2025)
  - 2) Central Delaware CWRT (To be scheduled)
  - 3) Wilmington CWRT (DE) (To be scheduled)

#### v. CLOSE

Individual Board Members provided brief information for the good of the order: **Craig:** No report

**Carol:** Reminder on articles that need to be written and the upcoming schedule. **Curt:** Lexington CWRT

**Andrew:** Greetings from the James A. Garfield CWRT, as he is attending this meeting while he is at their meeting.

Jared: Melissa: John: Bill:

Steve:

The meeting was adjourned by President Mike Movius at 7:15 PM

- 5) CWRT Community Activities
- 6) Data-driven Decision-making
- 7) Marketing Basics
- 8) Other Ideas

Mike