Special Vendors Meeting
July 12TH 2014:

Chair: Sandy Alvarado
Secretary: Antonio Aguilar

Vendors:
Antoinette Cervantes
Victor Ireland
Laurie Jacobson
Howard Simons
Dave Johnson: Telephonically
Ron Davison

NCBVI:
Dr. Pearl Van Zandt
Carlos Servan

Guests:
Bob Burns, Speaker
Commissioner Robert Newman
Carolina Mejia

Meeting called to order at 10:04 AM

Approval of Minutes:

Motion was made by Victor Ireland to approve the minutes from the last meeting, seconded by Antonio Aguilar. Motion passed.
Ron Davison:

Ron is a returning vendor and spoke briefly about himself.

Dr. Pearl Van Zandt’s Report:

We have been working very hard on an issue regarding insurance and performance bonds related to a new site. That was all resolved Friday morning, just in time to meet the required deadline. We are still working to resolve the general issue about required insurance at different locations.

Carlos Servan’s Report:

Carlos gave an explanation of the performance bond and how it applies. Carlos addressed the insurance issue and that it has been resolved for one location and negotiations are continuing for other sites.

Chair Sandy Alvarado’s Report:

Sandy spoke briefly on her involvement with researching the retirement plan options.

Retirement Plan Options:

Bob Burns spoke on the idea of changing retirement plans and what was needed to convert to a different retirement program manager. A recommendation was made by the BVC Committee to change the management of retirement plans to Bob Burns. A motion was made by Secretary Antonio Aguilar to change the retirement manager. Motion seconded by Victor Ireland. Motion passed.
Non-Assigned Monies:

There was a brief discussion on how non-assigned set aside monies could be used. Options include: pension, retirement, vacation pay, etc. A motion was made by Victor Ireland to have the vendors vote at the next committee meeting on using non-assigned set aside monies for the vendor’s retirement plan. Seconded by Antonio Aguilar. Motion passed.

Lunch Break

Promotion Policy:

Meeting continued with Chair Sandy Alvarado presenting the revised Promotion Policy which was read by Dr. Pearl Van Zandt. A motion was made by Victor Ireland to approve the revised promotion policy. Seconded by Antonio Aguilar. Motion approved.

Vendor’s September Retreat:

There was a brief discussion on the Retreat Agenda and that Sandy and Antonio are working on getting Distributors and Speakers for the retreat.

Old Business:

(1) Training: There has been a hold on training for new vending machines due to the equipment delivery delay from the distributor.

(2) NFB Convention: Robert Newman spoke briefly about his trip to the convention in Florida.
(3) Machine Maintenance: Robert Newman continued talking after discussing his trip to the convention, as during the convention, he had a conversation with Don Ward. As a result, Robert asked the vendors if they had any problems getting their machines fixed. Victor Ireland mentioned that Don Ward is extremely busy and that his job is becoming rather overloaded. A suggestion was made by Victor Ireland that it may be time for an assistant for Don Ward to help with his work load. Howard Simons raised awareness about having difficulty in getting service for his equipment in the western part of Nebraska. Carlos explained to the committee that the vendors can contact the different companies when Don Ward is not available to travel to their locations. The vendor needs to get Don’s or Carlos’ approval to outsource the maintenance work.

(4) Pepsi and Lin-Pepco: Victor Ireland suggested that Pepsi be contacted about the business practices of Lin-Pepco. Victor also stated that he is going to make contact with Star Tran and the Dept. of Corrections about possible vending sites.

(5) Group Pricing: Chair Sandy Alvarado stated that she made some inquires to Pepsi about Lin-Pepco and the possibility of getting group pricing. Sandy will make additional inquiries to be discussed at the retreat in September.

Next committee meeting will be scheduled during the Vendor Retreat in September. Motion was made by Victor Ireland to adjourn at 12:25 PM. Seconded by Antonio Aguilar.

Minutes prepared by Antonio Aguilar

Secretary BVC