

AMERICAN KNIFE AND TOOL INSTITUTE
Minutes of the Board of Regents Conference Call Meeting
January 12, 2000

Wednesday, January 12, 2000 Meeting was called to order approximately 1:00 p.m. (Central time) by president Les de Asis. Regents present: Les de Asis, D'Holder, CJ Buck, Wally Gardiner, and Executive Director Jan Billeb.

Recruitment Update

D' Holder reported that A. G. Russell is willing to serve on the AKTI Board of Regents. He would pay \$5,000 per year dues and contribute advertising space and use of the A. G. Russell mailing list. CJ Buck moved to accept A. G. Russell as a Regent pending receipt of dues, seconded by Sal Glesser, motion carried unanimously.

Wally Gardiner reported Bob Terzuola is interested in participating on the Advisory Board and both Kevin Pipes, Smoking Mountain, and Jim Furgal, Camillus Cutlery, agreed to Premier memberships. Holder agreed to contact Chris Reeve.

Shot Show

Everyone was reminded to meet at the Schrade booth on Wednesday, January 19th at 3:00 p.m. to gather for recruiting efforts. CJ will e-mail a draft of the press release to include in the press room. It was decided the recent newsletter and AKTI stickers would also be distributed.

Knife Law Information

Sal Glesser suggested that Regents think about the possibility of offering a service for a fee to retrieve knife law information for individuals that relate to their geographic location.

Future Farmers of America

CJ Buck asked for any comments regarding the policy statement distributed. He expressed concern about the ambiguity of the term "switchblade type design" and will be discussing this further with FFA officials.

Minutes submitted,

Jan Billeb
AKTI Executive Director