## American Knife & Tool Institute Special Board of Regents Meeting

Friday, May 29, 2009... 11:30 a.m. Renaissance Waverly, Atlanta GA

AKTI President Goldie Russell (A.G. Russell Knives) called to order the Board of Regents meeting of the American Knife & Tool Institute at 11:30 a.m.. EDT, Friday May 29, 2009. Other Regents present: CJ Buck (Buck Knives), Les de Asis (Benchmade), Jack Igarashi (Kershaw Knives) and Bill Raczkowski (Gerber). Regent absent: Gil Hibben (Knifemakers Guild). Others: David Kowalski - AKTI Communications Coordinator, Jan Billeb, AKTI Executive Director.

CJ Buck moved that AKTI accept Dan Lawson's proposal to draft and file a request for extension to the U.S. Customs pro bono on behalf of AKTI. Motion seconded by Bill Raczkowski and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Billeb AKTI Executive Director

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Saturday, May 30, 2009...3:30 p.m. Cobb Galleria, Atlanta, GA

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## **Election of Officers**

Les de Asis moved to nominate Goldie Russell for an additional two-year term as AKTI President and Bill Raczkowski as AKTI Vice President/ Secretary for a two-year term. Motion seconded by CJ Buck and carried unanimously.

## **Board of Regents**

After discussion of the vacancy of a seventh member of the Board of Regents, Les de Asis moved, CJ Buck seconded to ask Rod Bremer, Columbia River Knife & Tool, to become a Regent. Motion carried unanimously.

Jack Igarashi moved, Gil Hibben seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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Addendum: Rod Bremer agreed later that day to accept the position.