

GREATER TRIANGLE AREA PCC MEETING
National PCC Day
USPS Raleigh Processing & Distribution Center
September 16, 2009

Minutes were taken by Sherry McGowan.

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

Ray Allsberry called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. by welcoming everyone and asking for introductions to recognize guests and new members.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The August meeting minutes were approved as presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Treasury** – Robyn Johnson-Switzer reported \$\$12,212.63 as the on-hand treasury balance; after final invoices are paid for the recent Forum & Vendor Exhibit and PCC Day lunch, the balance will be \$3,498.88. The Forum profit is \$1,598.88.
- **Membership** – No membership updates since previous meeting.
- **Programs** – During Durwood Lassiter's absence, Robyn announced that future events include the October 19th Golf Tournament, a USPS Plant tour during the November 17th meeting, and a Holiday Wine-Tasting/Social being planned for December.
- **Website** – Sherry McGowan reported that the PCC website has been updated to include details on participant registration and sponsorship opportunities for the upcoming golf tournament. Some of the class presentations from the Forum have been added to the website, with plans to add additional presentations after the Webmaster resolves some technical difficulties involved with uploading powerpoint documents.

POSTAL UPDATES

- Sherry McGowan announced the next National Postal Forum (NPF) is scheduled for April 11-14, 2010, in Nashville, TN, and provided NPF posters for those interested.
- Howard Sample announced that on September 15, 2009, The House passed a bill designed to provide emergency financial relief to the Postal Service. The bill would lower the payment the Postal Service must make into a trust fund intended for future retiree health benefits to \$1.4 billion from \$5.4 billion in FY 2009.
- Dave Hansen expressed appreciation to management and employees in 275 and 276 Postal facilities for the timely distribution of a recent 400,000 piece government mailing.
- Robyn read the letter received from Greensboro District Manager, Russ Gardner, in response to a letter the PCC sent regarding concern about the elimination of the Mail Piece Design Analyst (MDA) position in the Raleigh area. Mr. Gardner's response states that the elimination of the position was one of many workforce reductions the Postal Service has made to react to the declining mail volume and that every effort is being made to ensure the reductions have a minimal impact on customers. Additional resources have been and will continue to be developed to ensure the mail piece design workload is kept current and customers receive timely responses. Copies of the PCC's and Mr. Gardner's letter will be e-mailed to the PCC contact list. Feedback from PCC members included that while the turnaround time for mail piece design review has recently improved, the elimination of Raleigh's MDA and impact on the customers are still concerns.

OLD BUSINESS

2009 Forum & Vendor Exhibit

- Ray Allsberry announced that Thank You letters were mailed to each vendor who participated in the 2009 Forum & Vendor Exhibit.
- Randall Anderson commented that he was very impressed with the recent Forum & Vendor Exhibit, stating that considering the economic condition, there was a great turnout, it was enjoyable, and many favorable comments were made by vendors and attendees.

NEW BUSINESS

Golf Tournament

- Robyn Johnson-Switzer reminded all that the golf tournament is scheduled for Monday, October 19, 2009, at Falls Village Golf Course in Durham, NC.
- Participation is not limited to PCC and Postal personnel. Invitations are extended to co-workers, family, friends, and acquaintances.
- Sponsors are needed for the tournament, and donations and door prizes will be appreciated.

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Plaques or Certifications of recognition were presented as follows:

- Outgoing Officers
 - Industry Co-Chair – **Ray Allsberry**
 - Industry Co-Chair Elect – **Robyn Johnson-Switzer**
 - Treasurer – **Robyn Johnson-Switzer**
 - Programs – **Durwood Lassiter** (absent - will be presented in October meeting)
 - Membership – **Jay Trevisan**
 - Website – **Richard O'Brian, Sherry McGowan**

- Appreciation
 - **Joyce Carlough** – for successful coordination of the 2009 Forum & Vendor Exhibit (absent - will be presented in October meeting)
 - **Nancy Jones** – for assistance with the Forum mailings
 - **Yvette Baker** – for administrative assistance during PCC meetings and events

- Honors
 - PCC Members of the Year - **Jay Trevisan**
- **Durwood Lassiter** (absent – will be presented in October meeting)
 - Postal Employee of the Year – **Cleola McCoy** (absent – will be presented in October meeting)

INSTALLATION OF 2010 OFFICERS

The following were officially installed as 2010 Officers:

- Industry Co-Chair - **Robyn Johnson-Switzer**
- USPS Co-Chairs - **Howard Sample**, Raleigh
- **Dominic Camasso**, Durham
- Industry Co-Chair Elect - **Jay Trevisan**
- Treasurer – **John Andrus**
- Programs - **Durwood Lassiter**
- Membership – **Lori Hammitt**
- Website – **Richard O'Brian, Sherry McGowan**

NATIONAL PCC DAY PSTN BROADCAST

In Postmaster General Jack Potter's state-of-the-business address to the mailing industry, Mr. Potter discussed the Postal Service's focus on adapting to a changing marketplace and cutting costs while maintaining record levels of customer service and trust. Mr. Potter reaffirmed the public that the Postal Service is staying focused on its mission to provide universal, affordable service.

ADJOURN

Robyn Johnson-Switzer thanked all for attending and adjourned the meeting at 1:10 p.m.

Next Meeting: 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 20, 2009, USPS Raleigh Processing & Distribution Center

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