## **Executive Committee meeting minutes Wednesday August 26th, 2015**

In attendance: Steve Ohnimus, Gary Najdowski and Dale Putnam.

- \*Nominating committee and process: The current committee was in place when Steve was elected into office which is composed of Fred Goverau, Dennis Butler and Jack Schanck; this committee will stay in place until either they resign or are replaced by the current or future President. The President has the authority to appoint nominating committee members. The process for nominating officers or directors is that a short list of candidates is developed by the Board which is then provided to the nominating committee who will contact the candidates to confirm their interest in serving and then make a recommendation for the Board composition at the December meeting. This is the process that has been and will be followed at our December meeting.
- \*Special advisors: There was some discussion regarding earlier emails between Steve, Dale and Gary regarding appointing Board advisors. The Constitution provides that the President can appoint committees to conduct Board business. Steve's idea was to try and get more members involved with the Club as "advisors" who would potentially rotate onto the Board thus creating succession opportunities. But it was concluded that the Board first needs to do things to increase involvement in the Club by the general membership like encouraging participation at the Board breakfast meetings.
- \*Email to membership requesting "volunteers" There was some discussion regarding drafting an email to the general membership that would request members to volunteer to participate more in club activities. It was decided that Gary would draft an email and circulate it among the officers for their input before mailing.
- \*Reopen Board meetings to membership: It was Dale's suggestion to go back to the way we had the Board meetings in the past, i.e., open up the meetings to the general membership. History has shown that this environment created more interest in the Club and also resulted in identifying potential candidates for the Board. It was concluded that this issue will be addressed in the email Gary will draft referred to in the above re: "volunteers". Steve advised that he will include something in his next "President's Message" regarding "volunteers" and our "breakfast meetings".

Constitution modifications: There was some discussion re: modifying the Constitution on as needed basis and how any changes would need to be

explained to the club before putting it to a vote by the membership. The Constitution only provides for the dissolution of the Club; it is now conceivable and very likely that the Club will be merged into another chapter within CRA. It was concluded to research this issue with other chapters to determine if any of them had made changes to their Constitution for this potential eventuality before making any changes.

Submitted: GENajdowski