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BOARD OF MANAGERS

General Motors Corporation
Susan Azar
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McKee Foods Corporation
Micheline W. Parkey
Treasurer

Ajax Turner Company
Todd Williams

Averitt Express, Inc.
David McDowell

City of Knoxville
Gary Eastes

Cracker Barrel Old Country Store, Inc.
Rob Behnke

Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company
Randy Triplett

Ingram Industries Inc.
John Hayes

Johnson Controls, Inc.
Ronald Jones

Nissan North America, Inc.
Mike Berger

Parker Hannifin Corporation
Curtis Gross

Tyson Foods, Inc.
Allyn C. (Lynn) Tatum

United Road
Kristin Burman

Wasco, Inc.
Paul Kneedler

MINUTES OF BOARD OF MANAGERS' MEETING
August 13, 2009

Present:

General Motors Corporation	Susan Azar
Manier & Herod	Terry L. Hill
Ajax Turner	Todd Williams
Averitt Express, Inc.	David McDowell
City of Knoxville	Gary Eastes
Cracker Barrel Old Country Store	Rob Behnke
Ingram Industries, Inc.	John Hayes
McKee Foods Corporation	Micheline Parkey
Parker Hannifin Corporation	Curtis Gross

Absent:

Goodyear	Randy Triplett
Johnson Controls, Inc.	Ronald Jones
Nissan	Mike Berger
Tyson Foods, Inc.	Lynn Tatum
United Road	Kristin Burman
Wasco, Inc.	Paul Kneedler
Tenn. Chamber	Bradley Jackson

The Board of Managers of the Tennessee Self-Insurers' Association met via teleconference on Thursday, August 13, 2009. The meeting was called to order by Susan Azar at approximately 10:05 a.m. CT.

DISCUSSION:

1. **Minutes** of the June 11, 2009 meeting were approved as submitted.
2. **Treasurer's Reports** for June and July were submitted by Micheline Parkey and were approved, showing a balance of \$54,982.18.

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3. **Membership/Nomination.** Membership fee was paid by Nissan.
4. **Amicus.** Nothing to report.
5. **Technology.** Conference as well as Vendor registrations are coming through the web page utilizing PayPal.
6. **Conference Committee.**

Meeting was held at 9:30 just prior to the regular Board meeting on August 13th. Registrations have been slower than normal, probably due to the economy. To date there are 8 out of 16 possible vendor spots purchased. The Board Members were urged to contact their vendors to solicit participation. Additionally it was suggested that Board Members should contact colleagues with high-deductible employers and encourage their attendance. Although the Association has made money with this annual event, this year, we may be lucky to break even, due to the economy and budget restrictions at most companies. It was brought to the Board's attention that the Board Representative from Parker Hannifin, Curt Gross is unable to attend the Conference due to travel restrictions. Terry made a motion that we waive the registration fee and pay travel expenses for Curt to attend the Conference, and the motion carried. Terry also indicated Joe Ratta, a former Board member representing Fisher & Co., should be recognized for his contribution to the organization and suggested that we should waive the registration for Joe to attend the Conference, and the Board agreed. Susan suggested ways to reduce Conference costs, i.e., cancel the Board dinner on Wednesday evening, or limit the menu selections. After discussion, it was agreed to have the Board dinner, as it is a valid investment to allow Board members to meet in person and build relationships with the Speakers and State personnel.
7. **Legislative.**

Terry advised that after the bill passed overturning the *Overstreet* decision, the Dept. of Labor came out with guidelines that were unpalatable to everyone, such as requiring releases be signed on cases 10 years old, etc. The Tennessee Chamber and the bill sponsor met with the Dept. of Labor and revised the rules to make the regulations only go forward from July 1st, 2009.

Terry would welcome input on ways to tweak the statute with improvements. The Board and Members should let him know if you have any suggestions, as he will be working with the Chamber again this year. We need to get suggestions in front of the Advisory Committee early so that they have time to review them before the rush in January.
8. **Old Business.**
 - a. **Utilization Review** – Terry has attended hearings on U.R. The Dept. of Labor listened to verbal and written comments, and retooled suggested rules. The retooled rules have been sent to the Attorney General for approval. As soon as the AG's office blesses those rules, they will be placed on the DOL website, and will be law in 90 days. Terry will send out a mass email with a link to the website when available.

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9. **New Business.**

a. **Judicial Nominating Committee** – David McDowell submitted his application to serve on this committee and briefly discussed the role of the Committee. Comments about the nominees may be made directly on the website at *tncourts.gov* by August 14th. Selections for appointments should be made by the end of August, and it would be ideal of a representative from the TSIA Board served on this Committee.

10. **Other:**

a. Board Member Profile. None.

11. **Open Discussion.** None.

The next Board of Managers meeting will be held via teleconference on **October 15, 2009** at 10:00 a.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan R. Azar, Chairperson
Terry Hill, Executive Director