

IGSHPA 2.0

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From the President:

As the saying goes, "be careful what you wish for—you might just get it!"



Last week, the first elected IGSHPA Board of Directors met, elected officers, and began the next phase of what Executive Director Bob Ingersoll has named IGSHPA 2.0. The implementation of IGSHPA 2.0 means that membership now has responsibility- not just input.

Members, working through their elected representatives, will assist and guide the Executive Director and staff in the development of priorities, strategic direction, allocation of resources and much more—all within the new bylaws approved at the IGSHPA annual conference last October.

This will be a "ground-up" process (no pun intended). The new organizational structure creates an information and communication channel between members and the Executive Director, Board, and staff. The actions of both the Board and staff will be conducted with transparency to the membership, and will be continually evaluated against membership needs.

Your new Board is made up of representatives from all the major sectors of our industry. These Board members all give their time and energy on a volunteer basis. Our two day meeting last week in Stillwater was exciting and promising. The nine members of the Board, along with the IGSHPA staff, brought their different backgrounds and viewpoints together to develop a framework for identifying IGSHPA's challenges and making decisions. All who were at these meetings realize that getting to this point has taken a lot of time.

As President, I see my primary responsibility as making sure we, the Board and Staff, move forward as quickly and conscientiously as practical. Most importantly, we need to communicate our status and progress to membership, and affiliated organizations on a regular basis. We will do this through as many channels as possible.

Finally, I want to emphasize what I said earlier. This is a "ground-up" organization with more control and responsibility for its own destiny than it ever has ever had. This means we will need much broader volunteer participation than we have had in the past to move IGSHPA forward. We have a great organization in a great industry. Let's work on this together!

Sincerely,



John Turley

What's next?

The board and staff are working hard to finalize the creation of committee operations, the new advisory council and strategic planning. Keep an eye on your email and the blog for continued updates.