



Table Talk

Consultants Roundtable Monthly Newsletter – Jeff Freers, Editor

JUNE 3, 2008 MEETING

Discussion Chairman Tom Dobson led those in attendance in a discussion concerning client relationship issues. Such topics as defining the scope of assignments, handling “add-ons”, payment terms and conditions, collections, and adding value to our services were discussed, with valuable input coming from members who handle those issues differently according to the standard practice within their discipline.

JUNE 17, 2008 MEETING

State Senator John Broden, who represents the largest portion of the City of South Bend was the speaker, and began by discussing the most recent legislative session, during which property tax reform was the dominant issue. Sen.. Broden outlined the 1-2-3 tax plan that was enacted, and talked about the impact that it would have on the local St. Joseph County governments. It was noted that St. Joseph County has the lowest local option income tax of any county in the state, at .8%. A question and answer period followed during which issues such as library funding, public transportation, and energy policies were discussed.

COMING MEETINGS

THERE WILL BE NO MEETING ON JULY 1.

JULY 15, 2008

The July Speaker Program will be Heidi Beidinger of SMK Consulting, Inc.

“Democracy is a device that ensures that we will be governed no better than we deserve.” -- George Bernard Shaw