



NEVADA WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION
MONTHLY EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
DRAFT Minutes – JUNE 18, 2008
Changes to Stephen Long



MINUTES

Wednesday, June 18, 2008 -11:30 am – 1:00 pm
North – Washoe County Dept Water Resources
4930 Energy Way, Reno, NV 89506
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South – MWH Harza
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Conference Call # 1-888-742-8686 ID# 6579350

Review and Approval of NWEA Board Meeting Minutes of June 18, 2008

Present

North: Linda Peterson, Rick Warner, Gary Hutchison, Jackie Diggie, Candace Siwarga, David Bruketta, Starlin Jones, John Buzzone

South: John Solvie, Leslie Long, Gary Grinnell, Mary Carr Portillo, Angela MacKinnon, Charles Trushel, Mark Briggs

1. Review and Approval of NWEA Board Meeting Minutes of May 14, 2008
Minutes approved by quorum
2. Conference report – Wrap-up
 - a. Linda Peterson had some more input from the Vendors. Extra meals and needed more traffic through the Vendor Area, look at the way we set up the Conference area for the Vendors. Also OCT had a poor review and need to look into new teachers for next year. (Paul Krauth). Two presenters didn't show up due to illness and weather.
 - b. Jennifer would like to see a snack for afternoon sessions.
 - c. Total turn out numbers for the Conference -**164 people**
3. Treasurer's Report – Gary Hutchison
 - a. Conference Income \$ 23,000.00 -- good Conference.
 - b. ABC Investment Program Review – Gary thinks we should stay with the CD and Money Market Accounts. Action Item: Talked about who should be on the Signature card for the Money Market Account; two (2) people and a back up for the Treasurer in case of emergency, President and Treasurer will be the Signatures and the amount of \$25,000.00 to a Money Market Account with proper identification.

Approval of Treasurer's Report – Quorum Approval

4. Board Reports – Voting Officers



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Past-President - Leslie Long and Dave James will be meeting with some people for the next Conference. They were looking at a May date for the Conference and trying to find a site in Las Vegas with sufficient room for an Equipment Show.

President, Linda Peterson – First Meeting: Action Item: Money for upgrading Web Site. Leslie Long made a motion to have Suey Huey get bids for an updated Web Site. Approved by quorum

President Elect - David James - Absent
WEF Delegate - Rick Warner – Working on a WEFMAX Site for Nevada. Will report more information as it comes available.

PWO Representative, Charles Trushel – Looking at short and long term solutions for the membership. Would like to do a survey for the Ops Challenge -- who could and would like to participate or help. See how we can get through some of the major logistics and other issues and details.

Starlin Jones will be doing WEF PWO Survey and looking for Judges for National Safety Event.

Secretary - Stephen Long - Absent

5. NWEA Operations Committee Reports

Certification Board, Bill Shepherd – Absent
Jennifer McMartin/John Solvie

a. Jennifer McMartin reported that the Certification Exams can be taken on-line; more information to follow after it's reviewed by the Certification Board. E-Mail list needs updating.

Association of Boards of Certification, John Solvie – John attended the June 7th Board meeting in Atlanta. ABC voted on a Testing Fee increase to go into effect at the end of this contract one year from now. Membership fees will not change, but paper/pencil exams are going from \$29.00 to \$36.00 and on-line exams \$22.00 to \$26.00 and Conference registration fee from \$340.00 to \$400.00; no problems with NDEP on the increases. The Plant Maintenance Technologist Certification will be offered this Fall. A survey for the CEU topic will be coming out. The CEU discussion panel at the Conference went well and a lot of good information came from it.

Constitution & Bylaws - Dave James - Absent

6. Services to Members and the Public – Goal: integrate membership, publications, website into all outreach activities.

Communications

Publications, Mark Briggs – Next newsletter will be the July/August News Letter. **Need technological article and some cool input for the news letter.**
Advertisement is doing OK, even with the increase in cost.



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Website, Suey Huey – Absent

Membership Development

Membership Northern NV – Stephen Long – Absent
Southern NV – Thomas Rura

Address correction list from the Conference - Linda Peterson

Young Professionals, Northern NV, Candice Siwarga – Went to UNR to be introduced to the Staff; trying to get involved with the students by having a pizza for 15 to 20 students.
Southern NV, Hannah Wilner - Absent
Angela MacKinnon – Going to UNLV to talk with Students/Classes about being active in the association and start a student chapter at UNLV.

Professional Development and Continuing Education

Tri-State Conference, Bruce Dacko/Eric Leveque/Dave Ruegge – Absent
Keni Whalen – Contract for Tri-State is being signed and using the same Vendor they used last year. Program is complete and will be using Whiskey Pete’s for some of the programs to help out with the crowds. The Exhibits event sold out by Memorial Day; a new record with more then 24 vendors on a waiting list. We are looking at a new location for Tri-State when the contract runs out in 2012.

Circuit Rider, Linda Peterson/Starlin Jones-No Report
College of Southern Nevada, Bill Shepherd – Absent
Professional Development, Northern NV, John Buzzone – problems getting a development class going in the North. Looking for ideas and input.

Southern Nevada - Vacant

Public and K-12 Outreach

Public Education, Northern Nevada, Dave Bruketta – WEF contacted Dave about a program they started called “Worldwide Water Training Day” targeted for 3rd and 4th Graders about Watersheds and Awareness, September 18th through October 18th. **Action Item: Need Membership partnership and will have to create a budget line amount.**

Southern Nevada, Maria Stosich – Absent
Stockholm Junior Water Prize, Maria Stosich
Water for People, Leisa Tucker – Absent; will be at future meetings.

Topical Committees

Safety Committee, Vacant
Collections Committee, Eric Strung, Stephanie Stallsmith, Kent Vian – Absent
Jake Jacobson, Tom Rura – Absent
Nonpoint Source Committee, Angela MacKinnon - Tri-State information table for Nonpoint Sources.
Reuse Committee, Gary Grinnell, Holly McNaught, Mary Carr Portillo
a) Reuse Nevada Northern Nevada, Joe Maez
..... Southern Nevada, Mary Carr Portillo – talk as a Reuse Committee to try and make some goals and directions for their Committee



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b) Water Reuse Association, Nominee to be selected

Cal/Nevada AWWA Liaison, Gary Grinnell – Received a lot of support from National for Water Reuse; we struggle in Nevada to participate and Gary feels the cost is too high for a lot of entities; somehow we need to support this association. Their Conference in Atlanta was great and informative. Next conference will be in San Diego – June 14th to 18th 2009. WEF/Reuse meeting will be in Dallas in September, 2008 and Reno in the Fall.

7. Old Business - None.

8. New Business - Starlin Jones is the new WEF PWO Delegate. Linda would like to add his information to the agenda with the Board Reports as a Delegate. There is also a request to fill out the PWO Survey.

9. Next Meeting Date Proposed Date – Monday, July 21, 2008

Proposed Locations

North – SPB Utility Services
430 Stoker Avenue, #207
Reno, NV 89503
775-329-7757

South – HDR Engineering – MWH
3010 West Charleston Blvd. Suite 100
Las Vegas, NV 89102
Phone (702) 821-4344

10. Adjourned – 1:05 p.m.