

Draft Board Meeting Minutes May^{9th}, 2014

Nebraska Section American Water Works Association

Chair David Lathrop called the meeting to order @ 0900 hours. The meeting was held at Woodland Hills Golf Course in Eagle, Nebraska.

Board Members, Committee Chairs and Visitors present:

Board Chair: David Lathrop

Chair Elect: Doug Woodbeck

Vice Chair: Ben Day

Secretary: Chad Roberts - Late

Treasurer: Eric Melcher - Late

Trustee: Mary Poe

Trustee: Milo Rust via Call In

Trustee: Jim Shields

Trustee: Eric Lehman - Absent

Past Chair: Eric Lee

Director: John Olsson

Committee Chairs: John Keith

Other attendees:

The **March 1^{7th}, 2014 Board Meeting Minutes** were reviewed. No changes were noted.

Ben Day motioned to approve the minutes, second by Eric Lee. Unanimous approval.

Chair's Report: See attached report from David Lathrop.

David Stated there will be no July Board Meeting this Year.

+ The Section Retreat will be held August 7th, 9:30 - 12:00, at the UNL City Campus. The Mission Statement and Statigic Plan will be the topics of discussion.

+ Explore benchmarking for water and waster utilities. Develop water system data to assist management plans. Share effort with NeRWA.

+ Create template bank (water and wastewater) available of a website for Operational and Management SOP's. Board is requested to review and comment on these SOP's.

+ E-Learning available on the website CEH. On-Line training for water systems, possible AWWA training?

+ Section SOP's were adopted as revised at the 2013 Section Retreat.

Jim Shields motioned to approve the Chair's Report, second by Eric Lee. Unanimous approval.

Treasurer's Report: See attached report from Eric Melcher. All outstanding invoices from the Fall Conference have been collected and paid. Ben Day stated that this year's Tax have be organized and needs David's signature after Boards approval. Ben Day proposed to the Board to approve the Taxes for the Nebraska Section for 2013. Eric Lee motioned to approve the proposal, second by Jim Shields. Unanimous approval.

Ben Day motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report, second by Doug Woodbeck. Unanimous approval.

Director's Report: See attached report from John Olsson.

Eric Lee motioned to approve the Director's Report, second by Mary Poe. Unanimous approval.

Committee Reports:

Archive & History: Committee Chair - Kevin Tobin Liaison - Eric Lee

No report

Audit: Committee Chair - David Lathrop Liaison - Eric Melcher

No report.

Awards: Committee Chair - Dennis Watts Liaison - Doug Woodbeck

See attached report from Dennis Watts.

Budget: Committee Chair - Eric Melcher Liaison - Ben Day

See report from Eric Melcher. Eric question if the \$15,000 was placed in the correct Allotment.

Pre-Conference Saving Account has been closed. All Funds were distributed to all members

Cross-Connection Control: Committee Chair - Rich Koenig Liaison - Chad Roberts

See attached report from Rich Koenig.

Education: Committee Chair - John Keith Liaison - Doug Woodbeck

No report. There are some upcoming activities, Groundwater Festival and School Presentations.

Fall Conference: Committee Chair Doug Woodbeck - Liaison - David Lathrop

See report from Doug Woodbeck.

Items from Doug's report:

Doug Woodbeck proposed to the Board to increase the Fall Conference Fees; \$90 to \$100 for NeAWWA, and \$165 to \$180 for the Full Conference. Ben Day motioned to approve the proposal, second by Mary Poe. Unanimous approval.

An item to review in the future is the discount for DHHS. Presently this is an ongoing discount, but the Board may have to review this. John Olsson questioned if and when does the Board end the discount. What is the line draw, for which we as a Board, have to discontinue this discount? We have to be careful.

Fuller Award: Committee Chair - Glenn Dostal Liaison - John Olsson

No report.

MAC: Committee Chair - Tony Bilek Liaison - Jim Shields

No report.

Membership: Committee Chair - Marc Rosso Liaison - Eric Lee

See attached report from Marc Rosso.

Nominations: Committee Chair - Eric Lee Liaison -

See report from Eric Lee. Eric stated he has received a Letter of Resignation for Trustee from Eric Lehmann. Eric's job duties have changed this past few months and he can no longer perform the duties of the Trustee position. The Board will have to fill this position per the by-laws. Submit any nominations for the current open Trustee position by May 30th 2014. There after the Board will vote on the new officer.

Also have all nominations for Board Positions at this year's Fall Conference submitted by July 1st 2014

Public Information: Committee Chair - Mary Poe Liaison -

See attached report from Mary Poe. Mary stated there will be a Drinking contest at the Fall Conference.

Publications: Committee Chair - Brian Gongol Liaison - Mary Poe

No report.

Safety: Committee Chair - Milo Rust Liaison - Rob Pierce

No report.

Scholarship: Committee Chair - Jon Zellars Liaison - Jim Shields

No report.

Small Systems: Committee Chair - Eric Melcher Liaison - Ben Day

No report. Looking at workshops in the Scottsbluff and Aurora areas.

Student Activities: Committee Chair - Dr. Xu Li Liaison - Ben Day

No report.

Water For People: Committee Chair - Christian New Liaison - Ben Day

No report.

Water Utility Council: Committee Chair - Jim Shields Liaison -

See report from Jim Shields.

Young Professionals: Committee Chair - Justin Stine/Craig Reinsch Liaison - Mary Poe

See report from Justin Stine.

Old Business: David attended the Special Event Insurance Webinar on March 18th.

June 8th -12th - ACE - Boston

July 23rd and 24th - Summer Workshop - Denver

November 6th and 7th - Fall Conference -

Obtain agreement with the joint organization for releasing Fall Conference attendee's information. The information would only be in the form of Names and Employees.

David will be sending Dennis Watts a list of all Awards winners to be posted on the website.

David talked with Brain Gongol on video recording the Fall Conference. David submitted a letter in his director's report on the discussion on video recording.

New Business: NeAWWA received a plague from Water Research Foundation.

Next Meeting: The next board meeting is scheduled for Sept 1st, 2014 at 0930 hours to be held in TBD, Nebraska at Olson Associates in Grand Island Ne.

Adjournment: Doug Woodbeck motioned to adjourn, Jim Shields second. Unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 11:30 hours.