

## NSAWWA Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: November 4<sup>th</sup> 2015

Location: Younes Conference Center, Kearney NE

Chair Doug Woodbeck called the meeting to order at 1:33 pm.

ROLL CALL

### **Board members present:**

Board Chairman: Doug Woodbeck

Chair Elect: Ben Day – joined on phone

Vice Chair: Chad Roberts

Treasurer: Eric Melcher

Secretary: Jim Shields

Director: John Olsson

Past Chair: David Lathrop

Trustees: Mary Poe on phone

Brittaney Travers

Milo Rust

### **Committee Chairmen present:**

John Keith

Tony Bilek

Dennis Watts

Brian Gongol

Larry Andreason

Marc Rosso

### **Other Attendees:**

Craig Rensch, Rob Pierce, Mike Wentik, Eric Lee, Dr. Bruce Dvorak, Steve Owen, AWWA Relationship Manager-Terry Walters, AWWA official Jon Eaton

### **Approval of November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Business Meeting Minutes:**

Tabled until January Board meeting as the minutes were not circulated prior to today's meeting.

### **Chairman's report:**

Presented a short review of the activities of the group over the last year.

### **Directors Report:**

See Directors Report.

Gave a slide presentation to review the Strategic Initiatives of the Association.

Introduced Terry Walters AWWA Relationship Manager. Terry gave a synopsis of what he does for AWWA and mentioned that the Nebraska Section was the host section for the 2016 RMSO meeting. After a short discussion it was decided that Omaha would be the best location. Jim Shields will work with AWWA on finding a hotel. Also the section will host a dinner or reception at the meeting. Jim Shields, Brittany Travers, Dr. Dvorak and Tony Bilek will work out the details for this at a later date.

### **Treasurers Report:**

Presented the attached report. Ben Day made a motion to approve the report, seconded by Chad Roberts. With all voting aye, the motion carried.

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **-Archives & History**

Tony Bilek will be the new chairman of the committee as Kevin Tobin requested to be replaced.

#### **-Audit**

Reported that an Audit was done.

#### **-Awards**

Watts reviewed the awards that would be given out at the banquet.

#### **-Budget**

No report.

#### **-Cross Connection**

See attached report.

#### **-Education**

See attached report.

14 workshops in 2015. They have plans for 18 workshops in 2016.

#### **-Fall Conference**

See notes for "Unfinished Business"

#### **-Fuller Award**

A person has been selected to be the award winner.

## **-Manufacturers/Associates Council**

Bilek reported that we had strong interest again this year for the exhibit area with 71 vendors.

## **-Membership**

See attached report.

## **-Nominations**

The nominations committee presented the slate of candidates that had previously been sent to the Membership by e-mail and published on the Section web page. Chairman asked if there were any nominations from the floor for any of the open positions. No nominations were forthcoming so Director John Olsson made a motion to close the nominations and elect the slate of candidates by unanimous ballot. Jim Shields seconded the motion and all those present voted aye.

## **-Public Information**

## **-Publications**

-See attached report

## **-Research and Student Activities**

-See attached report.

## **-Safety**

See attached report.

## **-Scholarship**

No Report

## **-Small Systems**

No Report

## **-Water for People**

Theresa Konda will take over the Chairmanship after the Fall Conference

## **-Water Utility Council**

Shields, Rust and Roberts have agreed to be the Nebraska representatives for the Fly-In in 2016.

## **-Young Professionals**

See attached report. There will be a Poker Tournament at the Fall Conference.

## **Unfinished Business:**

### **By-Laws – Proposed Revisions.**

Chairman Woodbeck reviewed the changes which had been previously circulated to all members. A clarification regarding alternating terms for the Secretary and Treasurer was added. Chad Roberts made a motion to approve the changes as presented. Milo Rust seconded the motion and with all in attendance voting aye, the motion was carried.

## **New Business:**

### **Renewed USEPA Training Grant Contract**

It was decided that we should continue with this project again this year since we had good participation and were willing to continue to organize the classes.

## **Next Meeting:**

Same location at the 2016 Annual Conference.

## **Adjournment:**

At 3:10 Jim Shields made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mary Roe seconded the motion and with all present voting aye, the motion carried.

