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## **NSAWWA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Date, Time and Location:

January 10, 2020, Olsson, Lincoln

Call in Number and Participation Code: (800) 704-9804, Code 83795334#

Roll Call see call in and Milo, Mike.

Approval of November 2019 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes (Motion) 1st Craig, 2nd John.

Motion passed.

Chair's Report

Director's Report

Treasurer's Report (Motion) 1st Marc, 2nd Mary. Motion passed.

Committee Reports (enclosed) The group reviewed the committee reports.

**Unfinished Business** 

- 1. Washington Fly In, Brittany reported Chad Roberts will attend. The fly-in is April 29-30.
- 2. Approval of Budget. John Keith reported a check to Caddy's has not been cashed. How long do we hold that? The group thought six months. John discussed the budget and in the last three years we are running in the red in proposed budgets to find that we end the year in the black. 1st Marc, 2nd Adam. Motion approved.
- 3. Annual SOP Review/Approval. Mary discussed that a few committees submitted SOP's in 2019. Craig will help with getting updated SOP's. Brittany asked that each Board member to submit their SOP to Marc by the March 2020 Board meeting.
- 4. Discussion regarding permanent annual liability or commercial insurance policy. Covered by AWWA affiliation.
- 5. Small Systems Committee needs committee members. Adam to ask Larry Schmidt to send a membership mailing with the SOP to request participation in the committee. Rob Pierce to help with identifying potential members and call them.
- 6. Top Ops Ideas. Mary discussed Chad has some ideas on how to recruit participants.
- 7. MAC Committee discussion. Brittany discussed that at Fall Conference the Board tabled the notion to sunset the committee. She discussed that she had been in touch with Pacific Northwest MAC. They recommended activities like a scavenger hunt at Fall Conference to generate interest. Their YP's do this. Teresa discussed the purpose of the MAC is to support the manufacturers. The group discussed how to improve the MAC experience at conferences. Craig mentioned that we need to find a leader for the committee. The group discussed that we need to identify potential Chairs and ask them to join. Craig is going lead the effort to identify manufacturers and contact them to gauge interest.
- 8. Publications committee ask board to submit content to Brian. The group discussed how to gain more content. We decided it was up to each Board member to spur committee Chairs to submit content on a regular basis.
- 9. Sunset MAC. The group decided to retain the committee.
- 10. 2020 Budget approval. Approved above.

## **New Business**

- 1. Rick Kubat LB242 (Travers). Mike discussed the need for this to pass as submitted. He requested a letter of support for the Bill. Milo discussed that historically we should stay away from politics. Britttany discussed we should get feedback from AWWA to see if we should submit an opinion.
- 2. DC Fly-in Erika Maes, AWWA (Travers). Discussed above.

- 3. Discuss sending Fuller Awardee to ACE (Poe). Mary discussed that we should send Fuller awardees to ACE. She requested financial assistance from the Board to go to ACE. There is money in several areas in the budget that could be used to fund this. Craig motioned to send Mary to ACE with the ACE Board funds. Teresa 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Approved.
- 4. RMSO (April 17 and 18) (Reinsch). Craig discussed Great Plains conference is right before this. There is \$1500 in the budget to travel to Bloomington, MN. He is planning on going. Teresa is planning on going. Mary might be interested if it does not conflict with Fall Conference planning. Craig mentioned a newer Board member should attend. This would be Adam or Mike. Flights are direct from Lincoln to Minneapolis. Craig is going to coordinate the group.
- 5. Miscellaneous / Announcements.
- 6. John discussed assembling an ad hoc committee for preparing comments for the upcoming lead and copper rule. Craig discussed that we need to be involved so we can help our membership. Mike Wentink discussed that we need an industry update page on our web site. Milo suggested we contact Sue Dempsey to see what information we should provide. After discussion Mary will work with Brian to put a link to the information on our web site.
- 7. Indiana combined AWWA and Rural Water.
- 8. Brittany discussed that we needed committee liaisons updated and Craig will do the CEC.

## Next/Future Meeting Dates, Times and Locations:

2020 Meetings to be determined by Chair (Travers)
NE Rural Water is March 9-11. March 13, 9:30am-noon.
Golf Outing usually first week in May
July is usually a conference call
3<sup>rd</sup> Friday in September
Fall Conference is the 1<sup>st</sup> week in November
Adjourn (Motion)

## Discussion

- Fuller Award will be led by Jim Wells.
- Marc discussed MEDC and that Nebraska was #1 in retention.
- Teresa Konda, Mary Poe, John Keith and Craig Reinsch will serve on the nominations committee.
- Mary reported on Water for People who sent a holiday card and thanked us for our donations in 2019.