

SWANA Rocky Mountain Chapter Monthly Board of Director's Meeting
28 April 2010, CDPHE, 4300 Cherry Creek Drive South, Denver, CO

ATTENDANCE

Present: Curt Ahrendsen, Kathy Andrew*, Debby Barton, Cameron Beul, John Briest, Juri Freeman, Stephen Gillette, Jerry Henderson, Neil Nowak, Tom Schweitzer, Dick Sprague, Cathryn Stewart, Tom Strickland

Absent: Juri Freeman

Notations: * Member arrived after Call to Order.

Minutes are in the order of the agenda and not necessarily in order of discussions.

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Stewart at 9:11 am as 11 of 13 directors present.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA Agenda Item G.4 added.

MINUTES 16 March 2010 Board meeting minutes had been previously emailed and approved.

TREASURER

Gillette stated we had a checking account balance of \$17,423.35, a savings account balance of \$19,872.14. We have 26 people registered for training today. Beul asked for clarification on the e-business loan to National SWANA.

COMMITTEE REPORTS and ASSIGNMENTS:

Membership: Andrew stated National reporting is finally working. The chapter has 155 active members and she has sent welcome packets to the 8 new members. Some members have been lost. National is down 5% for membership to date.

Technical Programs:

Quarter 2 (28 April 2010): There are 26 members signed up.

Quarter 3 (Tentative 20 July 2010): Geotech room is available for a luncheon workshop on dispute resolution or how to involve the public from the beginning to reduce problems later in a project or event. Freeman and Stewart have completed the announcement for the class.

Annual Meeting: Strickland worked with the hotel on modifying the contract to specify a guarantee of \$12,000 for food and beverage only; does not include the gratuity of 22% nor the room rental nor AV support. Consensus was to have Sponsor levels at \$1,000, \$500, \$350, and \$100. MOLO class will be developed by Sprague, Gillette and Barton with a goal to have at least one public and one private "faculty" member trained for the chapter. Jason Chan (pronounced Khan) has taught MOLO in the past and is willing to assist for the meeting. Sprague will work with National on the MOLO faculty issues. Ahrendsen will work with Eagle County on the tour for the annual meeting to include buses provided by the county to reduce traffic on the site. Nowak and Strickland will work on the Sponsors list and contacts. Mark Komp is not able to do a presentation on Greenhouse Gas and Energy. Discussion held on additional topics and presentations to include a legislative and regulatory combined session. Margie Griek is on tap for legislative issues. New regulation impacts that could be included would be Section 9 and 17 (waste impoundments) and possible Composting. Ahrendsen has been in contact with Barton to discuss various rural landfill topics to be covered. Discussion held on what keynote or luncheon speaker to be invited. Consensus was to have a speaker on the Ski industry and sustainability programs in the ski areas with possible dinner speaker on Vail Folklore, Legends and Myths or something similar as more entertaining. Municipal contracting and hauling companies is a topic that might be best as a multi track session. Ahrendsen

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will send out information on the next conference call to refine the program and make follow up assignments.

Scholarships: Henderson has received a transcript for a student scholarship but no application to date. No professional development scholarships have been received. Beul volunteered to serve on the Scholarship Committee with Henderson.

Nominations: Nothing to report.

Legislative: Barton has been updating the state legislative table and sending to Andrew to forward to the membership. Andrew reported that members have given very positive feedback on the legislative table.

International Board: Dues will be increased in 2011 based on the IB vote which had about 25 to 30% of the IB members voting against a dues increase. Part of the increase will go to scholarship funds. A portion of the dues increase will go to reserves. WasteCon 2009 lost money which is a concern for National. Two of the large equipment vendors have asked SWANA to consider a midcontinent venue for future WasteCons because of the cost to transport large equipment to the costs. National membership is expected to go down with the increase in membership fees.

Website/Webmaster: No report.

Newsletter: The newsletter articles will be due by 31 May to Henderson. Articles to be considered with tentative assignments include:

- President's Corner (Stewart)
- Technical Meeting(s):
- Annual Meeting Update and preview (Strickland)
- MOLO Class offering (Sprague)
- New Board Member Profile – Juri Freeman
- Financial Update (Gillette)
- July Technical Program (Stewart)
- GHG and related rules update (Nowak)
- State Legislative Update (Barton)

Road-E-O: Event will be held in 2011.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bylaws review: No report.

Air Quality Guidance Document Stakeholder: No report.

Geotech Appreciation: Activity will be conducted during July technical meeting.

30 Year Celebration: Dedicate a toast at the annual meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Education/training versus taking a position: Discussion deferred to the May board meeting.

Regular (monthly/weekly/other) email updates to members. Further discussion deferred to May Board meeting.

Agenda Item G.4. Dana Marie Schmidt, long time SWANA/GRCDA member and employee of City and County of Denver is retiring the end of April.

Next Board Meeting: The next Board meeting will be Tuesday, 18 May 2010 and will be a teleconference call beginning at 7 am.

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ADJOURNMENT

As meeting was running late, meeting adjourned at 11:11 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Barton
Secretary

Attachments for Board Members: Calendar of Events