

SWANA Rocky Mountain Chapter Monthly Board of Director's Meeting

Tuesday, July 20, 2010, 9:00 a.m. at Geotech's office – 2650 E. 40th, Denver

ATTENDANCE

Present: Kathy Andrew*, Debby Barton, Cameron Beul*, Juri Freeman, Stephen Gillette, Jerry Henderson, Neil Nowak, Tom Schweitzer, Cathryn Stewart, Tom Strickland

Absent: Curt Ahrendsen, John Briest, Dick Sprague

Notations: 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 9:06 am as 8 of 13 directors present.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA No additions to agenda proposed

MINUTES 17 June 2010 Board meeting minutes had been previously emailed and approved.

TREASURER

Gillette stated we had a checking account balance of \$16,106.69, a savings account balance of \$19,872.14 for a total cash account balance of \$35,978.83 and an t-loan asset to National for \$17,364.30. Currently 5 individuals have signed up for MOLO and 8 for the annual meeting. Sponsorships are beginning to come in for the annual meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS and ASSIGNMENTS:

Membership: Andrew stated National still has posting problems as the 31 May member download made on Thursday, 15 July, did not show paid members although some had already received receipt. In addition, members who pay renewal online are issued a new member number as there is not a mechanism to track to current member number. She has assisted two members to date to get the problem resolved as the new member number does not show certification status including completed CEUs. Chapter has 156 members with 6 new members: four from Garfield County, 1 from Catalyst Strategic Advisors and 1 from Otero County. Welcome packages have been sent out.

Technical Programs:

Quarter 3 (20 July 2010): There were 12 preregistered for the presentation. Question was asked as to why such a low turnout, with no consensus reached.

Annual Meeting: Strickland went over logistics with some additional assignments. Barton will contact Ron Rasnic to make sure he is planning for a MOLO visit to the landfill only on Wednesday afternoon as well as the Friday morning tour for the landfill and recycling operations. She will confirm that he will be contacted by the moderator for his session to confirm title and obtain any powerpoint. She will also ask about Folklore speaker for Luncheon or Evening speaker as in a noted from Ahrendsen to Stewart, Ron has not had chance yet to connect with a potential speaker on the Vail Valley Folklore topic. She will also talk about the policy of a comp registration fee since he is a speaker and has done a lot of logistics for the annual meeting. Discussion held on moderators, sessions, speakers and presentations. Debby will be reviewing landfill (rural) to do personal invite and follow up.

Session 1: Stewart moderator. No further discussion

Session 2: Briest moderator. Henderson will follow up with Dena Wojtach at air quality as they had contacted him wanting some time at the annual meeting. He will coordinate with Briest.

Session 3: Beul moderator. All topics confirmed and on track.

Lunch speaker/session. Discussion held on changing venue to a luncheon followed by a vendor 5 minute presentation at the podium, recognition of sponsors, tour logistics, and similar

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announcements. Allow time to mingle with the vendor displays. No word back on Vail folklore speaker, however contact has been made with the local historical society that may have a presenter for the evening. Stewart found a potential speaker candidate from the local historical society and will follow up next week as needed.

Session 4: Schweitzer moderator. Discussion held to remove the word issues from the title. Topics appear to be confirmed.

Session 5: Freeman moderator. All topics appear to be confirmed.

Session 6: Barton moderator. Discussion held on the format since the emphasis was on rural and small landfills that do not feel comfortable on a panel or presentation mode. Consensus was to have this as a working session on Rural Landfill Compliance Partnerships: Solutions and Alternatives. Roger Doak and Bob Peterson will be asked to be present for CDPHE input. A set list of "case problems" will be presented and make the session a working session to discuss and share ideas, options, alternatives, and possible solutions.

Session 7: Gillette moderator. ED Group will not be presenting.

Thursday evening: Band costs were discussed with consensus to offer \$100 per person to cover expenses and travel. Freeman offered to be part of the band at no charge. Band will play the hour before dinner. Consensus was to try to find a folklorist or the historical society to give a 20 or so minute presentation.

Session 8: Sprague moderator. Discussion held to have a more enticing title to the topic on alternative dispute resolution. **Doorprizes:** Nowak will follow up with folks. Discussion held on how CDPHE could sponsor a "fun" doorprize disguised as a "get out of jail free" or "one free NOV" or something similar in good humor. Other door prizes include food items (southwest Colorado), Waste Management donations, sponsor donations, and local donations.

Email followup: Andrew will send out another email blast for the annual meeting and MOLO including cut off date. She will also send out the ballot for officers, directors and bylaws changes.

Scholarships: A professional scholarship application from Russell (Rusty) Christiansen has been received requesting \$987 for attendance at the MOLO to include lodging and registration fee. Gillette/Nowak moved/seconded to approve a \$325 credit for MOLO registration fee for the MOLO being offered by the Colorado SWANA 20-22 September 2010. Discussion held on the importance of having attendees in state paying a portion of their tuition to gain the most benefit. Barton called the question. Strickland asked for a clarification that the approval meant a credit to the registration and not a check to be written. Clarification confirmed and added to the motion. Motion passed with one recusal (Beul).

Nominations: Briest has completed that ballot with the exception of the vice president slot. Ahrendsen is willing to serve as vice president again but is not interested in becoming president: also, will stay on the board next year Both Strickland and Schweitzer have been approached. Strickland has requested some time to discuss this with his supervisors before giving an answer. As the ballots must be out 30 days in advance, last deadline would be 23 August 2010. Andrew suggested a deadline of getting final ballots to her by 13 August with a goal to send ballot out by 16 August.

Legislative: No report.

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International Board: Next IB meeting will be during WasteCon in August in the city of Boston, Massachusetts.

Website/Webmaster: Strickland reported that things are going well, postings are timely, and removal of paypal has been on schedule. He reviewed the quarterly billing and is sending it in for payment.

Newsletter: Henderson has only one picture for the newsletter and will be sending the newsletter out very soon. Additional snapshot photos were solicited and received.

Road-E-O: Topic deferred to 2011.

OLD BUSINESS:

Email Updates. No discussion.

Bylaws review: Bylaws with ballot ready to go out.

Air Quality Guidance Document Stakeholder: No report and the topic will be dropped for the future.

Geotech Appreciation: Activity will be conducted during July technical meeting and topic will be dropped for future meetings..

30 Year Celebration/Recognition of Danamarie Schmitt: Promotion of the 30 years will be on the hand outs for the meeting. Toast will be made by Barton during annual banquet sometime.

NEW BUSINESS:

Colorado Vision Project: Freeman requested assistance in getting invitation and information out using SWANA mailing and webpage. There is a webpage developed for the vision project to include registration. Strickland will get a link posted to the chapter's webpage.

Next Board Meeting: The next Board meeting will be telephone conference call on Tuesday, 17 August 2010 beginning at 7 am.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, **Schweitzer/Henderson/Beul moved/seconded** to adjourn meeting as of 10:12 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Barton

Secretary

Attachments for Board Members: Calendar of Events

INFORMATION FOR CHAPTER BOARD MEMBERS ONLY

BOARD MEETING(S)

Tuesday, 17 August 2010, Telephone Conference Call

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE

15-17 Aug 10: WasteCon, Boston, MA (co-located with APWA International Conference)
Colorado Vision Project Meetings (Durango, Pueblo, Glenwood Springs, Thornton).

20-22 Sep 10: MOLO, Eagle County

23-24 Sep 10: Colorado Chapter Annual Meeting, Eagle County

TBD Sep/Oct 10: CAFR Annual Meeting

4-6 Oct 10: Global Waste Management Symposium, San Antonio, TX

2011 and beyond

23-27 Jan 11: US Composting Council, Santa Clara, CA

14-19 Feb 11: Winter Training Center & Thinking Outside the Blue Box, Reno NV

16-18 Feb 11: Recycling Conference, Los Angeles, CA

21-24 Mar 11: Landfill Gas Symposium, Dallas, TX

11-14 Apr 11: Biocycle Global Conference, San Diego, CA

9-12 May 11: Waste Expo, Dallas, TX

23-25 Aug 11: WasteCon, Nashville, TN

19-21 Sep 11: APWA International, Denver, CO

14-17 Aug 12: WasteCon Fifty Year Anniversary, Washington, DC area

17-19 Sep 13: WasteCon, Long Beach, CA

26-28 Aug 14: WasteCon, Dallas, TX