

Florida Section, American Water Resources Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
May 10, 2013
Lake Placid, Florida

- I. Call to Order – **Carol Hinton at 10:04 am**
 - a. Roll call by sign in sheet.
 - b. Welcome and introduction of Board members & Guests
 - i. Connie Parenti, AMEC, who helped organize the meeting, was present.
 - c. Meeting summary assignments
 - i. BOD Minutes and Attendance - Michael DelCharco for Kristin Bennett
 - ii. Technical Program Documentation – Catherine Walker not present: Krista and Michael will take notes of the meeting presentations.
 - iii. Meeting PE sign-in-sheet- DelCharco for Shayne Wood
 - d. Revisions to Agenda
 - e. Planning calendar items due before next meeting
 - i. Directory to Printer-Membership Chair-would anyone like to provide a second set of eyes to proof?
 1. Carol and Krista will review
 - ii. Items due for May Watershed-May 17, 2013
 1. This is early, so make sure you get it done!
 - iii. Bi-monthly reports due to President for June consent agenda-June 24, 2013
- II. Reports
 - a. Presentation of March Minutes – **Kristin Bennett (consent agenda)**
 - i. Gary motion to approve, Ron seconded
 - b. Presentation of Treasurer Report – **Gary Howalt (consent agenda)**
 - i. Walt motion to approve, Ron seconded
 - c. Committees – **Bold** Items are Scheduled for Discussion, Others as Needed
 - i. **Education –Rosanne Clementi**
 1. A lot of submittals on the last day. Too many to review quickly. We'll pick Sandy Young so that they can attend meeting in June. We'll try to get them all done by June. Several applications for each scholarship – that is great news.
 2. Rosanne will try to email the BOD by e-mail the selections next week.
 3. The committee would like to move to electronic submission.
 - ii. Electronic Records – Krista Sabin
 1. Nothing to report.
 - iii. Membership - Joanne Chamberlain – no report
 - iv. **Newsletter – Greg Jones**

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1. All is well. Get the May 17th stuff in...
 - v. Teller – Garrett Wallace
 - vi. PDH Credits – Shayne Wood
 1. DelCharco will have a sign in sheet.
 - vii. Student Support
 1. FIU – Deborah Tyson
 2. FGCU – Don Duke & Ron Edenfield
 3. USF – Jay Yingling
 4. UNF – Gary Howalt & Shayne Wood
 5. UF – Michael DelCharco & Carol Hinton
 - a. Allison Lewis requested info, and Carol made her president. Allison got the approval from UF to get the chapter recognized.
 - b. DelCharco will present at the fall meeting.
 - c. Chris Martinez is still the advisor.
 6. UCF – Catherine Walker
 - viii. Watershed Journal – Shayne Wood
 1. No news.
 - ix. Marketing-Mike DelCharco**
 1. FB has been somewhat active.
 2. LinkedIn has gotten a lot of traffic.
 3. Garrett will send June meeting info to the Specifier.
 - x. Nominating-Mike DelCharco, Ron Edenfield**
 1. General discussion of how we choose BOD members.
 2. Don is rolling off. We will have 2 or 3 spots to fill.
 3. Ron did a nice evaluation of our geographic spread.
 - a. Don McEwen will be stepping off the BOD.
 - b. We will not have anyone on the BOD west of Gainesville.
 - c. Private Public Academic split is okay.
 - d. We have good spread professionally. PEs, PGs, Biologists, others...
 4. Some ideas of folks:
 - a. Kevin Wright – SRWMD
 - i. Let's reach out to him and see if he wants to get involved...
 - b. David Still - ? Michael DelCharco will contact
 - c. Catherine Katsikis
 5. Ron is checking with current BOD to make sure they want to stay involved. (Let him know if you haven't already!)
 6. We need to get someone to be treasurer.
- d. National News – **David Watt**
- i. No news from National.
 - ii. Sonny Vergara nominated for national award.

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iii. We did submit for State Chapter Award.

e. Future Meetings:

1. May 10th Sebring Area-Walt Reigner/Bob and Carol Howard
 - a. We have 33 registered for today's meeting.
2. Cocoa Beach - June 27-28th, 2013- Carol Hinton
 - a. Carol presented draft agenda.
 - b. Still have a couple speaker spots to fill.
 - c. Have some field trips lined up for Friday afternoon.
 - d. Silent Auction will be Thursday night.
 - e. Cost is about \$150 for both days.
 - f. Garrett Wallace will hit sponsorships hard starting Monday.
 - g. We have two free rooms for students! Rosanne and Kristin will coordinate with students.
3. Whitney Lab, Flagler Beach - September 20, 2013-Cathy Vogel
4. November 15, 2013-Greg Jones, Ed Call
 - a. Springs theme...
 - b. Meeting guidelines are posted on our website. Rosanne may try and update the notes...

III. Unfinished Business

- a. Status of Website Transition to Wild Apricot – **Joanne Chamberlain**
 - i. Team met last week to discuss. Kelly Clark, Kimley Horn, and Jeremy McBryan, SFWMD, are getting involved.
 - ii. Carol has worked on on-line payment. The team is working on getting the website setup. Not sure we'll get it up and going before the June meeting – but we want to so that we don't have to pay the \$800 for the old site.
- b. ~~Business revisions to by laws to address election issues~~ – this was removed from agenda...

IV. New Business

- a. Discuss SY investment strategy
 - i. Walt spoke with an investor to see if we can increase our return. We have about \$50k in a CD that has had a very low return (less than 0.23% year) He thinks we could get closer to 3-4% if we let it sit for 5 years.
 - ii. We'll budget \$2k/year for Sandy Young – so set aside \$10k.
 - iii. We'll vote next month. If you want to come up with any other alternatives, bring it up.

V. BOD Comments

VI. Member & Guest Comments

VII. Adjourn at 11:17.