

Great Basin Chapter, Air and Waste Management Association Board Meeting

Minutes for July 8, 2003

Present: George Wilkerson, Judy Moran, Kerry Ruebelmann, Pete Stoll, and Deanna Anderson, Mike Tomko, Joe Martone, Rick Sprott, Clive Mecham

Meeting called to order by Mike Tomko at 12:00 pm. Agenda was provided.

1. Minutes of Last Meeting (May 13, 2003): The Board approved the minutes of the last meeting. There was not a board meeting in June because of the luncheon. It was noted that Robert Grow's talk at the luncheon was well done and that the luncheon was well attended.
2. Action Items from May 13, 2003. Mike Tomko reviewed the action items and those that are carried forward and/or modified are summarized below:
 - Each director will submit a blurb for the newsletter regarding anything noteworthy in their respective area of responsibility to Pete **in the next two weeks.**
 - Pete will resend the email with the template for the newsletter.
 - Judy will re-send the list of sponsors and the agenda for the P2 conference.
 - Judy will send a summary of the potential for discounts for AWMA members for the P2 conference.
 - Deanna will touch base with the financial aid offices on the timing of advertising of the scholarships.
 - Rick will find and then send the interactive CD to Deanna for use in summer science camp.
 - Mike Tomko will coordinate with Kennecott regarding tour in September and send information to Pete this week.
 - Mike Tomko will check with Russ to see if he wrote the thank you letter to Rocky and to Lisa.
3. Treasurer's Report: George Wilkerson reported that he was waiting for the bank statement but that the total assets were a bit more than \$10,000. National sent an additional small check (a few hundred dollars) for 2002 dues that they made an error on.
4. Membership Committee Report: The membership is approximately 100 for the Great Basin Chapter. We lost 3 to 4 members and the subsequent discussion included a recommendation to have membership applications available and promoted at every event. Joe reported that the national organization is evaluating the notion of organizational membership where the membership fee for the organization would be \$300 to \$400 and \$50/head after that.

5. Education. Deanna developed criteria for the AWMA scholarships (three \$1,000 scholarships in the fall) which are outlined below:

- Each student (undergraduate or graduate) will provide a written discussion of their goals and how it fits with AWMA,
- A letter of reference/support must be provided by a faculty member,
- Transcripts and extra-curricular activities, and
- Financial need.

The application will be submitted to AWMA to review and select the recipients. The applications should be received in September and scholarships awarded in October. The recipients will also be invited to the March banquet.

Financial need will not receive heavy consideration unless there is some difficulty deciding between applicants. Rick suggested that we touch base with the financial aid offices of the timing of advertising of the scholarships and Deanna will follow up.

The e-learning information is being distributed to each AWMA member.

6. Communications:

Pete will put Robert Grow's slides on a CD and circulate at the next meeting.

Pete will include in the newsletter:

- information on the loan repayment from National, in the context of indication that the national organization is stronger. Joe provided a briefing from National to Russ a couple months ago, this briefing could be condensed and used in this article.
- Information provided by directors (see action items).

7. Programs:

Chapter Meetings – The schedule for the upcoming year is starting to take form, as follows:

September 2003 – Tour, Mike will get a definitive date and itinerary from Paula this week and distribute to Pete. The presentation will be on the water plume issues at the southern end of the mine, how they're intercepting the plume, treating it and modeling. It will be a ½day tour and presentation, followed by box lunch. The subsequent discussion included that the box lunch for members would be free and a nominal fee (perhaps \$10.00) would be charged for non-members.

There will be a teleconference on Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures (SPCC) on September 8th, 2003. Mike will schedule the Kennecott Tour around this date.

November 2003 – P2 Conference November 6th and 7th at the Wyndam. Judy will re-send the list of sponsors and the agenda. Judy had discussed (with P2) the potential for AWMA members to receive a discount on the conference fee and recalled that the idea was not well received. The fee apparently barely covers the cost (food) and the bulk of the profits come from sponsorships. A lengthy discussion regarding the conference included: 1) our commitment to the conference was based on the assumption and mutual agreement that there would be some benefit to our membership, 2) AWMA could potentially pay the difference of the reduced conference fee for our members, and 3) we may have conflicting goals/needs on this conference and should evaluate our participation in the future. Judy will revisit the discounts for AWMA and send an email by the end of the week.

8. Other: None
9. Next Meeting: The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm. The next meeting was scheduled for August 12th, 2003.

Action Items: Summarized in Item 2.