



**Illinois Water Environment Association
Executive Board and Committee Chair
Meeting
September 17, 2010**

The Illinois Water Environment Association Executive Board and Committee Chair Meeting was called to order by President Dennis Prieue at 9:35 AM, September 17, 2010 at the Starved Rock Lodge in Utica, IL.

Present at the meeting were Dan Bounds, Sandy Conrad, Chuck Corley, Ted Denning, Mark Halm, Mary Johnson, Lou Kollias, Cheryl Kunz, John Lamb, Carlee McKenzie, Debra Ness, Dennis Prieue, Anas Rabah, Laurie Riotte, Pat Schatz, Lou Storino, Mark Termini, David Tucker, Amanda Withers, Fred Wu

MINUTES/APPROVAL

The previously distributed minutes from the June 25, 2010 Executive Board and Committee Chair Meeting were amended to reflect Fred Wu in attendance. Lou Kollias made a motion that the minutes be approved with this correction, Mark Halm seconded it. Motion Approved.

OLD BUSINESS

1. The Asset Management Workshop was rescheduled to January, 26, 2011 due to a conflict with another EPA workshop. As soon as Steven Albee, of EPA gets the program information to Amanda Withers, IWEA will begin working on the marketing. The cost of the program will be set to just cover expenses. There will be a 70 person maximum due to the size of the room.
2. Dennis Prieue was unable to discuss the matter of the possibility having the Executive Manager also function as the Secretary with the attorney. The question of how IWEA will certify the meeting minutes to satisfy the requirements of the Illinois non-profit requirements was also raised. Laurie Riotte will check with Phyllis Brown at WEF, and Laurie Dougherty at ISAWWA for suggestions. Further discussion was tabled.
3. The Executive Manager distributed a draft policy for sharing IWEA conference and other event attendance lists with registered exhibitors. It was based in part by current ISAWWA practices for continuity with the Joint Conferences. A suggestion was made to increase the time the list is available on the website to 120 days from 30.

A motion was made by Amanda Withers to enact the Attendance List Sharing policy as drafted with the exception of keeping the list posted for 120 days after the event. Ted Denning seconded it. Motion passed.

4. Mary Johnson distributed another draft of the Clean Water Scholarship based on the discussion at the June meeting. All were in agreement the form. It was suggested that a 1000 word maximum be set for the essay. Mary will add this to the form and it will be sent to the student chapters and available on the website.



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5. Mary Johnson shared the results of the Newsletter Survey that was sent out to the membership. A good percentage of the surveys were returned, coming from a varied background of positions. Overall the respondents were very positive about the newsletter. An ad-hoc committee was formed to review the survey questions in detail and make recommendations of possible enhancements to the newsletter. The ad-hoc committee members are: Mary Johnson, John Lamb, Heather Wachter, Cheryl Kunz and Kathy Cooper.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Lou Kollias' term on the WEFTEC Advisory Committee has come to an end. Lou expressed his willingness to represent IWEA for another 3 year term. The Board thanked Lou for his interest in continuing on this committee.
2. Mary Johnson and Lou Storino would like IWEA to encourage its student members to participate in the WEF student Paper competition. It was suggested that if IWEA was to give out prizes there would be more participation. Lou stated that his committee was in the process of polling the student members for their interest in this competition. If there is enough interest, Mary and Lou will put together some dollar figures for possible prizes, including paying the students expenses of attending WEFTEC to present their papers, to the Board.
3. Laurie Riotte received an email from the Chicago Park District looking for possible speakers at an Environmental Symposium they are starting to plan. The first year's topic is going to focus on invasive species like Asian Carp. Lou Kollias expressed interest and asked that the email be forwarded to the Board. Dan Bounds thought that the Watershed Committee would be interested in well.

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

1. Annual Conference – No report.
2. Awards – Pat Schatz reported:
 - IWEA was chosen as WEF's Member Association of the Year.
 - IWEA is seeking nominations for 2011 Awards.
3. Biosolids – Registration is open for the Biosolids symposium.
4. Collections –The mailing for the Collections Seminar should be mailed out next week.
5. Electrical Power, Energy and Controls – Dave Tucker reported the EEC Committee has monthly conference calls. They are working on a targeted session at the annual conference.
6. Governmental Affairs – Lou Kollias is drafting a letter to the CSWEA GAC chairperson to formally notify them that the 2011 Government Affairs Conference will be scheduled in conjunction with the SJWP Competition.
7. Industrial Pretreatment – No report.
8. Laboratory – Anas Rabah for Becky Rose reported:



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- Anas Rabah's article in the Clarifier will be reprinted by WEF
 - Committee is updating website lab page
 - Committee is soliciting papers for a targeted session at annual conference
9. Local Arrangements – Carlee McKenzie presented three different choices for the 2011 Annual Banquet. The Inn was chosen based on lower costs and flexibility.
 10. Marketing – Cheryl Kunz reported
 - Cheryl is working on the press release for the IWEA Award.
 - The committee has developed a special IWEA MA of the Year logo.
 - Committee produced a mailer for the Collections Seminar
 - Committee finalized the WATERCON logo and branding theme; it is in use on the WATERCON website and should be used in all joint conference materials.
 - Cheryl wants to see a cohesive look to all mailers, using elements already developed for the website. The Board agreed with this suggested approach.
 11. Membership – Fred Wu reported IWEA has 757 associate members and 115 affiliate members. The cost of sending the welcome letters is approaching the amount budgeted and it is anticipated that the expenses will be more than budgeted.
 12. Newsletter – No report
 13. Nominating – Amanda Withers stated the committee is working on nominees for second vice president. The candidates need to be selected and published in the Winter Clarifier.
 14. Plant Operations – No report.
 15. Program – Sandy Conrad reported that on Tuesday the committee will be attending a meeting at ISAWWA to hammer out the program schedule for the Joint Conference.
 16. Public Ed & Student Affairs – No report
 17. Safety – Mark Termini reported they have received some nominations for the Burke Safety Award but would like additional ones.
 18. Scholarship & Charitable Giving – Mary Johnson reported that payment requests for annual donations were submitted to the Treasurer.
 19. Student Chapters – Lou Storino reported
 - An ad-hoc committee is being formed with representatives from ISAWWA to plan student activities at the Joint Conference.
 - Chicago Center for Green Technology Tour with ISAWWA – October 15, 2010
 - Lockport Powerhouse Tour hosted by YP Committee – September 25, 2010
 - Activities to be Scheduled
 - Pulaski Park Rain Garden Fall Maintenance
 - Center for Neighborhood Technology Tour
 - Ageing Infrastructure – Round Table Discussion
 - Sustainable Practices Road Show
 - Students and YP half day conference
 20. Watershed – Dan Bounds reported that the committee is finishing up putting together the half day watershed symposium followed by a tour of the Lake Springfield watershed at the Joint Conference.



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21. Website –The Designer will be adding the MA of Year logo to the site and fixing a few broken links. The logo will be added to the E-blasts as well. We now can send pdf formatted flyers and posters via Constant Contact.
22. Young Professionals – No report
23. 2011 SJWP Local Arrangements – Chuck Corley reported that the factsheet is done and fundraising is underway. The committee’s next meeting is September 22, at 2pm at MWRDGC. There will be a lot of volunteers needed. Lou Kollias presented Chuck with a check for \$5000 from MWRDGC. Debra Ness has also secured \$500 from Caterpillar and \$500 from VVF (formerly Dial).
24. Ad Hoc Franchises Issues – Dennis Priewe reported that it is time to dissolve this Ad Hoc Committee.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS

1. President Dennis Priewe – No report
2. President Mark Halm – Mark is working on dates for the 2011 outing with the same golf course.
3. 1st Vice President Krishna Pagilla – No report
4. 2nd Vice President Dan Bounds – Amanda Wither and he talked to IEAP about an Operator Certification program. They are interested but they have no resources to allocate to it. IWEA should make it a point to check in with them regarding this annually.
5. Executive Manager Laurie Riotte – Since the last meeting there has been one E-Mail vote. It was to sponsor a hole for \$250 at the Engineers without Borders Golf Outing. Motion passed.
6. Treasurer Deb Ness – \$90,385 in checking, \$24,482 in CD’s and \$3,958 in the Science Fair Fund. Bonnie Duckett will again be doing this year’s audit.
7. Director 2010 Ted Denning – No report
8. Director 2011 Lou Kollias – No report
9. Director 2012 John Lamb –No report.
10. Past President Amanda Withers – No report

ADJOURNMENT

Lou Kollias moved and Ted Denning that meeting be adjourned at 1:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Laurie Riotte, Executive Manager.

I certify that these minutes are an accurate account of the September 17, 2010 Executive Board and Committee Chair meeting.

Dennis Priewe, President

Date Approv