

**Minutes**  
**Southern Section A&WMA Board Conference Call**  
**June 12, 2014**

PRESENT: Julie Aslinger, Dallas Baker, Andrea Gardiner, Justine Harrison, Chris Hurst, Tom Lotz, Sr., Pleas McNeel, Maya Rao, Shelby Stringfellow, & Justice Manning

The meeting was called to order by Shelby Stringfellow at 1:02 p.m. CDT.

**Consent Agenda:** No changes (see attached).

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

See Consent Agenda. The Board authorized Justice to forward the December 12 minutes to the board in addition to those who were on the original call and others who have expressed interest in assisting to develop a Check List for future Annual Meetings.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$22,772.35</b>
<b>Investment</b> CD at First Tennessee	\$10,358.61
<b>Available Balance</b>	<b>\$12,413.74</b>

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Section**

Shelby: No report (items in Consent

Agenda).

**GA Chapter**

**Justine:** A joint social meeting with the Hazardous Material Manager's Group was held with about 45 attendees. The week of June 15 the Young Professionals will hold a social event in conjunction with attending a Braves baseball game.

**AL Chapter**

**Tom:** A dinner meeting was held on May 22, 2014 in conjunction with a tour of the Hyundai Plant south of Montgomery, AL. Not all of the 32 slots for attendees were filled. The chapter is focused on the planning for the Southern Section Conference to be held in Montgomery September 10-12, 2014. A number of speakers have responded to the Chapter's call for speakers, one of whom is the A&WMA President, Mike Miller. However, several topics of interest have not had speakers respond. The Region 4 EPA Administrator, Mrs. Heather Toney, has been contacted as a keynote speaker; no commitment yet. The meeting will include a plant tour. Also, Justice recommended that the Chapter send out the draft program as soon as possible to inform potential attendees of the type program being planned and to provide information for approval by managers of attendees.

**MS Chapter**

**Pleas:** A permitting workshop was held Tuesday, May 13, hosted by Butler Snow and sponsored by Trinity Consulting, who handled all registration details. About 45 people attended. As a

result of a Chapter board meeting on June 11 the Chapter has pledged a \$1,000 donation to the ECi competition as requested from the Sections & Chapters Council. A brownbag will be held on July 2 concerning the recent Supreme Court ruling on greenhouse gases.

### **E TN Chapter**

No Report.

### **W/M TN Chapter**

**Andrea and Julie:** There was a May 15 Lunch and Learn meeting at the office of Louisiana Pacific Corporation. A TN Dept. of Environment and Conservation representative spoke about the Solid Waste program, while an LP representative talked about their sustainability program and the chapter Chair promoted A&WMA membership. The Chapter will hold another lunch meeting in July. The Chapter set up a LinkedIn page for members to join.

### **Scholarship Committee**

**Pleas:** Twelve qualified applicants from five universities have submitted applications. The scholarship review committee was discussed. Members appointed include:

- Chris Hurst – GA
- Maya Rao - MS
- Clay Burton - MS
- Shelby Stringfellow - AL
- Justice Manning - AL
- Pleas McNeel - MS

### **Membership**

No Report other than the Consent Agenda.

### **Young Professionals**

No Report

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. After discussion the Board decided to limit job postings to 30 days. Justice is to notify those who have posted recently as well as future posters.
- b. Dallas suggested that if the host chapter for the Annual Meeting would plan to communicate with members on a monthly basis emphasizing Keynote speakers, other speakers/topics, that more response from potential attendees and vendors likely would result.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- α. The annual reports have been posted for all but West/Middle TN and the Section.

The next call is **scheduled for July 10, 2014 for 1 p.m. CDT (2 p.m. EDT).**

The meeting was **adjourned** at approximately 1:59 p.m. CDT.

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Justice to send December 12, 2013 Minutes to the Board, plus to those who were on the call -- last year's Board, invitees and others who may be interested.
2. Justice committed to send Tom Lotz contact information for Prof. Armisted Russell to verify whether Steve had heard from him regarding his or a student's interest in presenting a paper at the meeting. **(DONE)**
3. Justice also committed to send Shelby a copy of Southern Section members and Knol Aust's contact information in case more information is available for distribution during the two weeks that Justice will be gone. **(DONE)**
4. Shelby to contact Steve to determine whether the chapter concurs with sending a draft agenda to membership to stimulate additional speakers for topics not filled, as well as general information to the membership on the status (kind of in line with Dallas' suggestion).
5. Someone from the W/M TN Chapter needs to provide the URL for their LinkedIn site.
5. Justice to notify job posters (including those already posted) that we plan to keep the jobs on the web site for 30 days.
7. The W/M TN Chapter and Section Annual Reports for 2013 need additional emphasis until complete.
8. Pleas to notify the Board of the opportunity to serve on the Scholarship evaluation committee. One does NOT have to be on the Board to serve! **(DONE)**

**Consent Agenda**  
**June 12, 2014**  
Southern Section AWMA

Item #1: Secretary's Report and Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the May meeting were sent to the Board on May 12, 2014. As a result of the Section Vice Chair's comments minor revisions were made in the GA chapter portion of the minutes; the revised minutes were not resent to the Board and since Justice nor Andrea heard anything from others the revised minutes were sent for posting on June 5. Minutes of the December 12, 2013 call **have not been approved** so have yet to be distributed to the Board and other interested parties to review prior to compiling a Annual Meeting Check List by use of host chapters for future Section meetings. This check list will be posted upon approval and final compilation. Last year's Board agreed that is should be a "living" document, subject to updating each year. Until Justice receives **approval** from the Board for forwarding these minutes to the participants on the December 12 call for final review and any revisions we will never have an official check list .

Item #2: Treasurer's Report

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Item #3: Committee Reports

1. [Section report by Chair]
2. [Alabama Chapter]
3. [GA Chapter report]
4. [MS Chapter report]
5. [E TN Chapter report]
6. [W/M TN Chapter report]
7. **Education/Scholarship:**
8. **Young Professional:**
9. **Membership report:** Membership reports from HQ are still unreliable. The best that Justice can tell it is at HQ with data entry. Records show that we have 246 members at the end of May (a loss of 5 from a May 15 download or a gain of 27 over May 6 download). See what mean! Justice also has been told that the person responsible rectifying these records is **not** available until after ACE meeting later this month.

Item #4: Old Business

- b. Only the M/W TN Chapter, and thus the Section, still has an outstanding Annual Report for 2013. Same as last call?
- c. Justice would appreciate input from the board on how long jobs should remain posted on the website after they are posted. Users should be aware that we will try to remain current.

Item #5: New Business

- a. Appointment of a scholarship evaluation committee: Pleas has asked for Board input on this item. He can explain and Shelby you can decide whether to appoint, defer to Pleas, or make it formal with a motion. Bylaws give you the right to appoint with Board concurrence; you can delegate to a chair, I think.
- b. Any other?

Item #6: Next Meeting Date and Time

Next Call is scheduled for July 10, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. CDT (2 p.m. EDT).