

January Board Meeting Minutes January 11, 2022, 12:00 PM CST

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call Carla Brown, Ashley Kimes, Ryan Ozment, Elizabeth Thompson, Amy Vickery, Gene Wasson, Pleas McNeel, Abram Orlansky, Ryan Cooley, Anna Chappell
- 3. Introduction of Members
- 4. Approval of October, November, and December 2021 Minutes Approved via email
- 5. Treasurer's Report Transferring powers of treasury from John Kwoka to Ryan Ozment.
- 6. Committee Chair Assignments/Business
 - a. Membership Committee Amy reported that we currently have 44 members. No memberships expired in December. Three memberships are set to expire in January and have not been renewed Laura James (MDEQ), Mallory Pitalo (LSU), and Amy Vickery. Two memberships were renewed in December 2021 Trudy Fisher (Butler Snow) and Ryan Ozment (MDEQ). Ryan Cooley renewed his membership in January 2022. Amy will use the association's Gmail account and templates to send reminders to renew membership and thank those that have renewed.
 - b. Program Committee Carla will continue to chair this committee; One idea discussed during the Southern Section Meeting is to host a Brown Bag event for Young Professionals to expose them to the Environmental field. Ashley will look into IP sponsoring this event.
 - c. **Young Professionals Committee** Jake Rucker chaired committee last year. Carla is in communication with a possible chair for this year.
 - d. **Publications Committee** Ryan Ozment willing to chair committee this year.
 - e. **Science Fair Committee** Committee may not be needed this year. Carla will reach out to a contact and ask if fair will be held this year in light of Covid.
 - f. Finance Committee Responsibilities of this committee default to treasurer.
 - g. Scholarship Committee Carla will ask Laura James if she is willing to continue chairing this committee. Discussion was had on how to award scholarships being a 501(c)(3) entity. Abram will review documentation that has been provided by Brunini Firm. Gene stated it would be best to establish the scholarship fund with the universities and allow each university to the award scholarship to a deserving student. Amy pointed out the Association can establish criteria for who could receive the scholarship.

- a. *Ideas for Networking Events* How do we do this going forward in light of Covid? One or two events this year? Discuss at next meeting
- b. Meeting times and dates for 2022 Will keep it on second Tuesday of each month at noon.
- c. Good and welfare
 - i. **Drop Box** There is an established Drop Box for the board. If you do not have a link to it, please let Carla or Ashley know.

- ii. Annual filings as a 503(c)(3) Non-Profit There is an annual notecard/postcard that must be filed with the IRS. Gene and Pleas to send information regarding the filing to Ryan Ozment.
- iii. **Association Letter Templates -** Amy Vickery asked if anyone had these templates to please email to her. Ryan Ozment noted the templates may be on the National website. Carla stated the templates may be in the Drop Box. Amy said she would reach out to Justice as well.
- 8. Adjourn (Next meeting scheduled for noon on February 8, 2022 via Zoom)



February Board Meeting Minutes February 8, 2022, 12:00 PM CST

1. Call to Order

- 2. Roll Call Abram Orlansky, Elizabeth Thompson, Allison Casey, Carla Brown, Ryan Cooley, Amy Vickery (quorum present)
- 3. Approval of January 2022 Minutes Carla moved to approve the January 11, 2022 minutes. Allison seconded and all were in favor.
- **4. Treasurer's Report** Ryan not present. Southern Section asked about the revenue from the Southern Section Conference. Carla will check with Ryan to see if we received money due from ADEM, which would bring total profit to \$4,290.38 to split 60/40 with Southern Section.

5. Committee Chair Business

- a. *Membership Committee* 44 active members. Amy will send out letters/emails for January and February for those failing to renew.
- b. **Program Committee** Annual Air Workshop See if we can offer both in person and Zoom option possibly on a Thursday afternoon (noon to 5:00) with a social hour to follow.
- c. Young Professionals Committee No one volunteered.
- d. **Publications Committee** Ryan O. not present.
- e. **Science Fair Committee** Amy can go to the Starkville regional fair. Allison moved to approve \$25 for Justice Manning Award at regional science fair and \$50 for State. Carla seconded and all were in favor.
- f. Finance Committee Ryan O. not present.
- g. Scholarship Committee Laura James will continue to chair this committee. Abram reviewed recommendation from Brunini and agrees it would be better to set up a scholarship with the university(ies) and have criteria. Need proposed criteria for the university. The university may have guidance for setting up scholarships. Abram volunteered to help should Laura need it.

- a. Good and welfare Need to check in with Mississippi State on AWMA Student Chapter to see if there is potential to partner with them for an event in that area. Is there a USM contact in environmental science that we could ask if they have students or YPs interested in AWMA?
- 7. Adjourn (Next meeting scheduled for noon on March 8, 2022 via Zoom)



March Board Meeting Minutes March 8, 2022, 12:00 PM CST

1. Call to Order

- 2. Roll Call Abram Orlansky, Allison Casey, Carla Brown, Gene Wasson, Ryan Cooley, Ashley Kimes, Ryan Ozment
- **3. Approval of February 2022 Minutes** Gene moved to approve the February 8, 2022 minutes. Carla seconded, and all were in favor.
- 4. Treasurer's Report Ryan O. needs a letter on official letterhead and signed by Abram in order to be added to the bank account. She plans to complete task this week. Still waiting on ADEM to pay their money due. Once ADEM pays, the profit from the conference will be ~\$4300 to split 60/40 with Southern Section. Carla will be reimbursed for Science Fair gift cards.

5. Committee Chair Business

- a. *Membership Committee* Amy Vickery not present but emailed information regarding past due members and recent renewals. As of March 8, 2022, there are 43 active members.
- b. **Program Committee** Annual Air Workshop will be held the afternoon of April 21, 2022 and will be held in person and virtual. Carla asked for members to email her topic ideas for the workshop. Discussed starting registration at 11:30 am if possible. Abram or Carla will check with Butler Snow to see if the social event afterwards can take place at the same location as the workshop.
- c. Young Professionals Committee No volunteers for chair role
- d. Publications Committee Ryan O. will work with Carla on broadcasting information for the Air Workshop.
- e. **Science Fair Committee** Ryan O. will reimburse Carla for gift cards purchased for the Science Fairs. Carla will attend the State Science Fair at Sothern Miss. Elizabeth Thompson judged the Regional fair at DSU.
- f. Finance Committee See notes from Treasurer's Report.
- g. **Scholarship Committee** Laura James could not attend the meeting but communicated via email she has started contacting universities to find out criteria for establishing a scholarship fund.

- a. **Good and welfare** Carla inquired on how to find Annual Report to complete for 2021. She will ask Maya where to find the report.
- 7. Adjourn (Next meeting scheduled for noon on April 12, 2022 via Zoom)



April Board Meeting Minutes April 12, 2022, 12:00 PM CST

1. Call to Order

- **2. Roll Call** Elizabeth Thompson, Ryan Ozment, Ashley Kimes, Anna Chappell, Carla Brown, Abram Orlansky, Amy Vickery, Gene Wasson, Pleas McNeel, Ryan Cooley
- **3. Approval of February 2022 Minutes** Ryan O. moved to approve the March 8, 2022 minutes. Carla seconded, and all were in favor.
- 4. Treasurer's Report Reimbursed Gene for filing with Secretary of State office due to inquiries they had about charitable status; Ryan O. has been added to bank account; Carla filed a vendor's claim for payment to ADEM; will send 40% of what we owe to Southern Section now and once receive payment from ADEM will send 40% of that as well; Abram will tell the Southern Section that payment is coming; As of now, there is \$3400 that has been collected from the conference. Below is the financial statement YTD.

| January | Income & Expenses | | Account Balance | |
|------------------------------|-------------------|------|-----------------|-----------|
| Starting Account Balance | | | \$ | 14,030.40 |
| Interest Payment (1/31/2022) | \$ | 0.59 | \$ | 14,030.99 |
| Final Account Balance | | | \$ | 14,030.99 |

| February | Income | Income & Expenses | | Account Balance | |
|------------------------------|--------|-------------------|----|-----------------|--|
| Starting Account Balance | | | \$ | 14,030.99 | |
| Interest Payment (2/28/2022) | \$ | 0.54 | \$ | 14,031.53 | |
| Final Account Balance | | | \$ | 14,031.53 | |

| March | Income & Expenses | | Account Balance | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|----------|-----------------|-----------|
| Starting Account Balance | | | \$ | 14,031.53 |
| Interest Payment (3/31/2022) | \$ | 0.59 | \$ | 14,032.12 |
| Science Fair Awards (3/21/2022) | \$ | (225.00) | \$ | 13,807.12 |
| Zoom Subscription (3/24/2022) | \$ | (160.39) | \$ | 13,646.73 |

| Final Account Balance | \$ 13,646.73 |
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| April | Income & Expenses | | Account Balance | |
|--|-------------------|---------|-----------------|-----------|
| Starting Account Balance | | | \$ | 13,646.73 |
| Service Charge | \$ | (0.01) | \$ | 13,646.72 |
| Gene Wasson - Filing Reimbursement (4/5/2022) | \$ | (53.14) | \$ | 13,593.58 |
| Final Account Balance | | | \$ | 13,593.58 |

5. Committee Chair Business

- a. Membership Committee Amy Vickery reported 43 active members. Two members are past due, and two will be due to renew memberships in April. Four members renewed membership in March, and two have already renewed memberships in April. Amy will continue to contact MS members that are due or past due.
- Program Committee Received registration numbers from Maya/Trinity this morning; low numbers; Carla may send email with registration deadline Monday; Will have social at Butler Snow following workshop.
- c. Young Professionals Committee Jake Rucker will assume role as chair.
- d. Publications Committee Information for the Air Workshop has been sent.
- e. **Science Fair Committee** Elizabeth Thompson judged the Regional fair at DSU and chose one winner; they are to contact Carla to issue award; Southern Miss State Fair was supposed to select winner; Carla will touch base with them again; Next year, send out note to all regional directors requesting them to select winner for A&WMA award on our behalf.
- f. *Finance Committee* See notes from Treasurer's Report.
- g. Scholarship Committee Laura emailed and stated she had no updates for the committee report.

- a. Good and welfare National Association trying to put together more webinars so if we have any that are applicable nation-wide, send invite to national association; Pleas is Region IV air program manager now with US Forest Service; will still act as our liaison to National Committee; Submitted annual report for chapter and renewed insurance for chapter.
- 7. Adjourn (Next meeting scheduled for noon on May 10, 2022 via Zoom)



May Board Meeting Minutes May 10, 2022, 12:00 PM CST

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call Abram Orlansky, Ryan Ozment, Carla Brown, Allison Casey, Amy Vickery (Quorum not met)
- **3. Approval of April 2022 Minutes** Due to meeting quorum not met, the April meeting minutes were approved via email by the following members: Ryan Ozment, Allison Casey, Carla Brown, Gene Wasson
- 4. Treasurer's Report No report
- 5. Committee Chair Business
 - a. Membership Committee Amy Vickery reported 43 active members. Five members renewed membership in April, and one member is past due now since April. There were no renewals due in May.
 - b. **Program Committee** No report
 - c. Young Professionals Committee Summer Duncan will assume role as chair.
 - d. Publications Committee No report.
 - e. Science Fair Committee No report.
 - f. *Finance Committee* See notes from Treasurer's Report.
 - g. **Scholarship Committee** No report.
- 6. Other Business
 - a. Good and welfare No report
- 7. Adjourn (Next meeting scheduled for noon on June 14, 2022 via Zoom)



June Board Meeting Minutes June 14, 2022, 12:00 PM CST

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call Abram Orlansky, Ryan Ozment, Carla Brown, Gene Wasson, Summer Duncan, Ashley Kimes, Elizabeth Thompson
- **3. Approval of May 2022 Minutes** Ryan motioned to approve the minutes, Carla seconded the motion, all others were in favor.
- **4. Treasurer's Report** Expecting check from ADEM for their fees for last year's conference. Once received, Ryan will pay what is owed to the Southern Section. Current balance is \$11,982.23. Brunini Firm will sponsor Breakfast with Regulators so another \$200 check will be deposited shortly.
- 5. Committee Chair Business
 - a. Membership Committee No report.
 - b. **Program Committee** Need date for Breakfast with Regulators, possibly later part of August. Please email Carla with dates of any conflicting events.
 - c. **Young Professionals Committee** Summer Duncan has assumed role as chair. Board will help her as much as possible in this role. Several board members offered ideas of activities and people to reach out to when trying to recruit and schedule events.
 - d. Publications Committee No report.
 - e. Science Fair Committee There are some gift cards left over, will use those for other activities.
 - f. *Finance Committee* See notes from Treasurer's Report.
 - g. Scholarship Committee No report.
- 6. Other Business
 - a. Good and welfare No report
- 7. Adjourn (Next meeting scheduled for noon on July 12, 2022 via Zoom)



August Board Meeting Minutes August 16, 2022, 12:00 PM CST

- 1. Call to Order
- **2. Roll Call** Abram Orlansky, Carla Brown, Elizabeth Thompson, Ryan Ozment, Summer Duncan, Ashley Kimes
- **3. Approval of June 2022 Minutes** The June meeting minutes were approved via email by Carla, Gene, and Summer. The July meeting was cancelled due to lack of availability by board members.
- **4. Treasurer's Report \$**15,244.62 is balance in account. All debts have been paid, and all checks have been deposited into the account.
- 5. Committee Chair Business
 - a. **Membership Committee** August membership report from Amy Vickery
 - o 5 past due members in July
 - o 6 memberships due for renewal in August
 - o 2 renewed in July
 - b. **Program Committee** If you are planning to attend the Sothern Section Conference register soon. Breakfast w/ Regulators will be pushed to October most likely. Carla asked for Brown Bag topics/ideas to be sent to her.
 - c. **Young Professionals Committee** Summer reached out to Dr. Bricka at MSU to schedule an event if he is still the chair of the student chapter there. Ryan said we can sponsor a lunch with extra funds in the account. Ryan said Dr. Serbeck is over the Environmental Engineering department at Ole Miss and would be best person to contact about scheduling a YP event. Ryan will share her contact information with Summer.
 - d. Publications Committee No report
 - e. Science Fair Committee No report
 - f. Finance Committee See Treasurer's Report
 - g. Scholarship Committee Carla asked if we can give a check to Southern Section and let them donate on our Chapter's behalf? Carla and Laura will be attending the Southern Section Conference and will speak with someone at there and get their thoughts, maybe Chris Hurst. The scholarships will come out of the main fund.

- a. Good and welfare MMA's Annual Environmental & Safety Conference will be October 20-21, 2022 in Flowood at The Refuge with the golf tournament scheduled for October 19 at the same place.
- 7. Adjourn (Next meeting scheduled for noon on September 13, 2022 via Zoom)



September Board Meeting Minutes September 13, 2022, 12:00 PM CST

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call Ryan Cooley, Ryan Ozment, Allison Casey, and Carla Brown (no quorum)
- 3. Approval of August 2022 Minutes No quorum so not approved during meeting.
- **4. Treasurer's Report -** \$15,245.27. No activity last month.
- 5. Committee Chair Business
 - a. *Membership Committee* Amy sent an email report for all Southern Section. Four MS members did not renew in August Stan Atkins, Alexis Krohn, Caitlin Raines, and John Milner.
 - b. Program Committee Abram / Keith working on Part 2 of SCOTUS/Legal Update Brown Bag. Breakfast with Regulators being planned for second or third week in November. Next year see about partnering with MMA on this event and potentially an exhibit (inquire with Kelly Wright at MMA on this). The Southern Section Conference is next week. Ryan Cooley, Ashley Kimes, Carla Brown, and Laura James are going.
 - c. Young Professionals Committee No report
 - d. Publications Committee No report.
 - e. Science Fair Committee No report.
 - f. Finance Committee No report.
 - g. Scholarship Committee Could we transfer scholarship money to the Southern Section for them to make a scholarship selection? Carla will discuss more with Laura James during the SS Conference.
- 6. Other Business
 - a. Good and welfare
- 7. Adjourn (Next meeting scheduled for noon on October 11, 2022 via Zoom)



October Board Meeting Minutes October 11, 2022, 12:00 PM CST

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call Ryan Ozment, Amy Vickery, Carla Brown, Ashley Kimes, Gene Wasson, Summer Duncan, Laura James, Allison Casey, Abram Orlansky
- 3. Approval of September 2022 Minutes No quorum so not approved during meeting. August minutes were approved by board members via email. Ryan motioned to approve September minutes, and Carla seconded the motion. All others approved.
- **4. Treasurer's Report -** \$15,245.87. No changes from last month.

5. Committee Chair Business

- a. Membership Committee 44 active members. Amy sent an email report for MS Chapter. Three members did not renew in September Adedapo Adeniyi, Matt Allen, and Richard Harrell. Four members did renew in September Bradley Justice, Andrew McMeans, Chuck Rollins, and Keith Turner. None are due in October.
- b. **Program Committee** Breakfast with Regulators scheduled for November 9. May add solicitation for questions in flyer; Carla asked employee of Siemens at the Southern Section Conference if he would be interested in talking during Brown Bag session in November/December. Abram / Keith are working on Part 2 of SCOTUS/Legal Update Brown Bag. For next year's MMA Environmental & Safety Conference see about partnering with MMA on this event and potentially having an exhibit (inquire with Kelly Wright at MMA on this).
- c. Young Professionals Committee Dr. Bricka is working to get group back up and going at MSU; Looking to schedule event early next year; Maybe have someone from the board talk to the group; Carla to ask about schedule of events; Carla discussed topics covered in YP Webinar. Amy will reach out to Dr. Bricka about coordinating site tours.
- d. Publications Committee No report.
- e. Science Fair Committee No report.
- f. Finance Committee No report.
- g. Scholarship Committee Abram asked if money could be funneled through SS scholarship committee and allow that committee to make the selection of the MS student to receive the scholarship. We would continue to send out criteria and communication about the scholarship. SS would be the entity to distribute funds to the student. Amy recommended applications be sent directly to SS committee rather than to MS Chapter then to SS. Laura is on that committee so applications could be sent to her. At the meeting this morning, no one had a problem with it. Per Gene, under MS law as a non-profit organization, money should be sent directly to a university and allow school to make selection of recipient. Abram and Charlie, who works for Brunini Firm, to have a follow up meeting to better understand path forward.

6. Other Business

a. Good and welfare – Southern Section made money on the conference.

7. Adjourn (Next meeting scheduled for noon on November 8, 2022 via Zoom)



November Board Meeting Minutes November 8, 2022, 12:00 PM CST

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call Abram Orlansky, Elizabeth Thompson, Carla Brown, Laura James, Ashley Kimes
- **3. Approval of October 2022 Minutes** *No quorum.* However, with Gene's motion to approve the minutes via email, that gave 6 votes. Therefore, Carla moved to approve October minutes and Ashley seconded the motion. All others approved.
- 4. Treasurer's Report No report.
- 5. Committee Chair Business
 - a. *Membership Committee* 43 active members. Amy sent an email report for MS Chapter. There are no past due members in November. Two members' renewals are due in November Elizabeth Thompson and Victor Towe. Amy has contacted them by email. No members were due or renewed in October. Five members have already renewed in November Allison Casey, Laura Heusel, George Hogancamp, Abram Orlansky, and Brian Smith.
 - b. Program Committee 30+ people are registered for Breakfast with Regulators scheduled for November 9.
 - c. Young Professionals Committee No report.
 - d. Publications Committee No report.
 - e. Science Fair Committee No report.
 - f. *Finance Committee* No report.
 - g. **Scholarship Committee** Outcome of Abram's discussion with Charlie: Gene was correct in that if we distribute money ourselves to students, we have to get approval from IRS first. We also must have several plans in place to avoid nepotism and other illegal activities. Additionally, we will have to follow up on the back end of awarding the scholarship to make sure it is being used appropriately. Charlie thought giving the money to the SS to distribute was a great idea and is permissible by law. However, we need to make sure the SS has IRS approvals and required plans in place. Once the money is in the SS's hands, it is there responsibility to comply with all required laws. Laura is chair of the SS Scholarship committee and is not sure if the SS has that approval. But will check with national section to see if they have the required approval and plans.

- a. Good and welfare No report.
- 7. Adjourn (Next meeting scheduled for noon on December 13, 2022 via Zoom)



December Board Meeting Minutes December 20, 2022, 12:00 PM CST

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call Abram Orlansky, Carla Brown, Allison Casey, Ashley Kimes
- 3. Approval of November 2022 Minutes No quorum. Will send minutes via email for approval.
- 4. Treasurer's Report No report.
- 5. Committee Chair Business
 - a. Membership Committee No report.
 - b. **Program Committee** Breakfast with Regulators was well attended. Carla received feedback to pair with technical presentation as well.
 - c. **Young Professionals Committee** Laura and Carla talked to Dr. Mark Bricka at MSU and will attend first student chapter meeting in January along with Summer, YP Chair. They may try to schedule a tour at IP Columbus Mill.
 - d. Publications Committee No report.
 - e. Science Fair Committee No report.
 - f. *Finance Committee* Carla reported the chapter will get a refund from SS.
 - g. **Scholarship Committee** Wait for Laura to get confirmation from SS that they are abiding by tax laws.
 - h. **Development of Nomination Committee** Carla and Allison are part of the nomination committee.
 - Brian Ketchum was nominated for director.
 - Jessica Harbuck was nominated for vice chair.

- a. Good and welfare Keep same schedule for meetings in 2023.
- 7. Adjourn (Next meeting scheduled for noon on January 10, 2023 via Zoom)