

**Minutes**  
**Southern Section A&WMA Conference Call**  
**August 15, 2013**

PRESENT: Julie Aslinger, Kelly Blackwood, Shelley Forbes, Richard Holland, Laura James, Tom Lotz, Joan Sasine, and Justice Manning

The meeting was called to order by Julie Aslinger at 1:06 p.m. CDT.

**Consent Agenda:** No changes. Approved as is (see attached).

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

See Consent Agenda

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$17,568.90</b>
<b>Investment</b> CD at First Tennessee	\$10,348.25
<b>Available Balance</b>	<b>\$7,220.65</b>

Received a check for AL Associate Membership Dues for \$1410.00. Tom Lotz mentioned that this was only a partial payment because of the Chapter cash flow situation.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Section**

Section activities revolved around closing out the details of the Annual Meeting held in Nashville in July. All funds have been received from HQ and an Invoice has been submitted to ADEM for the AL Chapter representatives who attended. Surplus income appears to be in the neighborhood of \$16,000 to be split between the W/M TN Chapter and the Section. Such a large margin is attributable to the hard work of the Chapter Committee who secured 10 sponsors with grants ranging from \$250 to \$1,000, plus a substantial grant from Jack Daniel Distillery (\$5,000), thanks to the Chapter Treasurer, Donna Clark. Hopefully, a final report will be available by the next conference call.

**AL Chapter**

Tom Lotz: A quarterly newsletter will be distributed next month. The next Chapter meeting is scheduled for August 27 at the AL Power Barry steam plant to tour the carbon sequestration activities. A catered dinner will be served for \$20 per person. The Chapter, in conjunction with ADEM has scheduled the next regulatory update for October 3 in Montgomery, AL. Registration fees have already been set at \$175 for non-members and \$150 for members.

**GA Chapter**

Joan Sasine: The next brown bag lunch is scheduled for October 3. Details will be forthcoming. GA Chapter's Fall Environmental conference is scheduled for October 23 (or 24). Again, details will be forthcoming.

**MS Chapter**

The previous "Lunch and Learn" program was on July 31 with MDEQ talking about permit application problems. The session was well attended with about 35 present. The next Lunch and Learn program is scheduled for September 25. Pleas is looking into possibility of activating

a student chapter at Jackson State University. Other universities are being investigated for similar activity. The Chapter is considering when to hold the next Workshop, probably on Title V. It likely will be next spring as the MS Manufacturing Association and the Solid Waste Association of N. America (SWANA) both have meetings scheduled in the fall.

### **E TN Chapter**

No Report.

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

The Chapter gained several new members as a result of Arup's Lunch workshops sponsored by his company, Environ. He held several of these meetings across TN in leading up to the Annual Meeting in Nashville in July. These meetings were beneficial to the chapter as well as the Annual Meeting. Barge Waggoner, Andrea's new company, has committed to sponsoring the next Chapter meeting, which has not been set yet as Annual Meeting closure activities are still a high priority.

### **Education Committee**

No Report

### **Membership**

(see Consent agenda) In addition, some slight inconsistencies remain between "Renewing" and "New" members.

### **Young Professionals**

No report.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. For the conference, see the Section report above
- b. The host committee from this year's conference had the following recommendations for consideration.
  1. Consider setting a definite week in the calendar year similar to what the International Association does for the Section Annual Meeting each year.
  2. Each Program Committee for the Annual Meeting should have the assigned responsibility to serve as a consultant to the succeeding host committee.
  3. A DropBox account should be established to serve as a repository of all documentation for each Annual Meeting. These files would be available for each host and be easily accessible for reference.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- α. Revision to Southern Section bylaws: (see Consent Agenda below). Since revisions to the bylaws have been under consideration for the last three months (since May) and no quorum was present on this call to take final action, the Board asked Justice to submit an email ballot once again. No response was received from the last attempt at an email ballot in July. **All Board members are requested to participate in this ballot.** In the meantime, Justice is to make the wording for the fund split between chapters and the Section more consistent so that it is less confusing before submitting the ballot.

The next call is **scheduled for September 12, 2013 for 1 p.m. CDT (2 p.m. EDT).**

The meeting was **adjourned** at approximately 2 p.m. CDT.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Justice to reword the fund split portions of the proposed bylaw changes prior to distributing to the Board for voting.
2. Justice to distribute the email ballot on the unapproved proposed changes to the bylaws with a request for the Board to participate in the ballot so that we can finalize the bylaws.
3. Board members to cast their vote for or against the proposed changes.
4. W/M TN to finalize the reports from the Annual Meeting.
5. Justice to confirm whether the Section Policy provides for the Past Chair to serve as a consultant to subsequent host chapter for the succeeding Annual Meeting.

**August 15, 2013**  
Consent Agenda  
Southern Section AWMA

Item #1: Secretary's Report and Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the June meeting (no meeting in July) were distributed on July 9 for comment; minor changes made and the minutes were posted on the web site on July 18.

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:** The number of members at the end of July was 235, a decrease of 2 from June. Headquarters still has issues in correcting member reporting inconsistencies that have been existent for several months. Regardless, membership continues to need more attention from all Section members, but especially from the Board and chapter officers.

Item #4: Old Business

- a. The Board approved the Education and Young Professional Committee chairs (Article VI, Section 3) as voting members of the Board on the May call. The Board approved the fund distribution (Article 4 Dues, and noted in Article XII, Section 3) on the June call. A motion to approve **Article III, Section 3** (Membership) and **Article XII, Sections 2 & 3** (Meetings) has been made by Chris Hurst and seconded by Tom Lotz (see attached bylaws).

Item #5: New Business

- a. The status of closure on the recent Annual Meeting held in Nashville will be presented.
- b. The Annual Meeting Committee has some items to present, and get input from the Board regarding future Annual Meetings.

Item #6: Next Meeting Date and Time

Next Call is scheduled for September 12 at 1:00 p.m. CDT (2 p.m. EDT).