

Minutes
Southern Section A&WMA Conference Call
June 11, 2015

PRESENT: Andrea Gardiner, Desiree Howell, Chris Hurst, Thomas Lotz, Pleas McNeel, Maya Rao, Joan Sasine, Don Sodersten, & Justice Manning

The meeting was called to order by Chris Hurst at 2:05 p.m. EDT.

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

Total Funds	\$27,671.28
Investment CD at First Tennessee	\$10,368.96
Available Balance	\$17,302.32

Expenses during May included: Unit Insurance (\$175); CT Corporation Invoice (\$449); ECI Sponsorship Challenge (\$500).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Section

Chris: The National A&WMA conference registration is open and SS members are encouraged to attend.

AL Chapter

Tom Lotz: Two students, one from the University of AL and one from the University of South AL, have applied for scholarships. A regulatory update is planned for the fall, probably in November. The several committees named earlier this year appear to be getting a slow start.

GA Chapter

Chris: The brown bag held on May 15, 2015 on Nuclear Waste had a poorer turnout than expected. The speaker was a Mr. Cox of Cox Consulting Service.

MS Chapter

Pleas and Maya: A chapter meeting is scheduled next week (no date or program provided). Tours of industrial facilities are still planned for the summer. No dates decided but the two facilities under consideration are Ingalls Ship Building (Huntington Ingalls Industries) in Pascagoula, MS and MS Power's Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle (IGCC) plant in Kemper County, MS. A session called "Breakfast with the Regulators" is planned for this year. Two registrations for attendance at the ACE meeting were raffled and the reporters are unsure of their disposition.

E TN Chapter

Chris : Jimmy Johnston will be the speaker at a meeting to be held on July 10th at the TDEC Knoxville field office. A mailer will go out in the near future to help notify people in the area. Hopefully, this meeting will help with the re-invigoration of the Chapter.

W/M TN Chapter

Don: A lunch meeting was held to discuss ozone on May 27, 2015 with Quincy Styke, TDEC, at the LP offices. As a result of interest stimulated, another meeting is planned for the future on start-up and shut-down problems. Plans for tours of Jack Daniels and Bridgestone are still active this summer, dates TBD after a survey of members. Another conference call for board members was held on June 4, with good attendance of 7 board members. The chapter has received one response in an announcement regarding scholarship opportunities.

Education Committee

Pleas: The response to the announcement of scholarship opportunities has been slow, even after a reminder email sent by Pleas. Also, there is a goal to get an award for science fairs to each state. This will probably take place in early 2016. Pleas sent an announcement soliciting science fair participation to the Board right after the conference call.

Membership

Justice: see Consent Agenda for the latest. Inconsistency in member number status remains.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. See E TN report above for the E TN Brown Bag scheduled.

OLD BUSINESS

- a) Registration for the Southern Section Annual Meeting in Callaway is **not** robust. Chris encouraged the Board to enlist **attendance** support from colleagues, clients, friends, whomever and try to register by June 19 for planning purposes. ADEM registered 11 last week; GA DEQ should be reminded! Sponsorship is going well; only two spots left. However, exhibitors have only 8; we need more. Please contact your vendors. A poster session for students will be available with awards for best paper. Only know of GA Tech students thus far; other students or student chapters are urged to consider this opportunity. A website for the conference on August 19 – 21 has been created under the sponsorship of Troutman Sanders, www.awma-ss2015conference.com/. Registration is open so members are encouraged to register and invite your friends.
- b) Tax Exempt Status: IRS form 1023 was completed and mailed to the Treasurer on Wednesday, June 10, 2015 for forwarding to the IRS.
- c) The Annual Report for the Southern Section was completed online on May 27, 2015. All units in the Section have completed the 2014 Annual Report. Thank you.

The **next call** is scheduled for **July 9, 2015** at 2:00 p.m. EDT.

The meeting was **adjourned** at approximately 2:50 p.m. EDT.

Action Items:

- Each Board member is urged to promote and attend the International meeting June 22-25 in Raleigh, NC, as well as **register** before June 22 for the Southern Section Annual meeting at Callaway Gardens **August 19-21, 2015**. Inviting exhibitors if you have contacts will be helpful.
- Pleas to enlist support for Science Fairs with the Section area via email to board members. (DONE)
- Each chapter is again encouraged to keep Chris apprised of meeting date, time, and place for his possible attendance. Timely notice will be appreciated.

- Justice to contact lapsed members of this year.

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Consent Agenda
Southern Section A&WMA

Item #1: Secretary's Report and Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the May Conference Call were posted on June 2, 2015.

Item #2: Treasurer's Report

Total Funds	\$27,671.28
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Item #3: Committee Reports

- a. [Section report by Chair]
- b. [Alabama Chapter]
- c. [GA Chapter report]
- d. [MS Chapter report]
- e. [E TN Chapter report]
- f. [W/M TN Chapter report]
- g. **Education/Scholarship:**
- h. **Young Professional:**
- i. **Membership report:** The number of members at the end of May was 250, an increase of 5 during the month. However, the data downloaded from the HQ web site do not support this number. Such inconsistency continues and has yet to be explained by HQ. In addition, members continue to be displayed on both a "New" member list at the same time that they are listed on a list of "Renewing" members, which is not possible. Explanation for this is also lacking.

Item #4: Old Business

- a. The GA Chapter will provide an update on progress toward the Annual Meeting in Callaway Gardens August 19-21.
- b. Tax Exempt Status: A draft of the IRS form 1023 was completed and should be going out soon. The Southern Section has successfully reincorporated in the State of GA.
- c. Annual report has been submitted.

Item #5: New Business

- a. Chapters register as a Corporation: All chapters also should incorporate within their state if they have not already done so.
- b. E. TN July 10th "Brown-Bag" meeting and presentation. See announcement on SS web site.
- b. Other?

Item #6: Next Meeting Date and Time

The next conference call is scheduled for **July 9, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. EDT** (1 p.m. CDT).