



NEVADA WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING



Meeting Minutes Wednesday, August 16th, 2023

Time: August 16th, 2023 12:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

1. Approval of the Agenda

- Agenda was approved

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- Meeting minutes were approved

3. Board Reports

- a. **Past - President..... Casey Mentzer**
 - Closeout to NWEA conference, GSR has not been responsive to closing out final bill. Possible keep balance as outstanding liability on the books. Final billing was incorrect awaiting revised bill.
 - b. **President Sabrina Dodos**
- Volunteers needed for:
 - Professional Development and Training Committee
 - North and South Co-Chairs
 - Conference Planning Committee
 - Co-Chairs
 - Young Professional/Outreach Committee
 - North
 - DE&I Committee Chair
- Website Update-certification emails were down for a few weeks,
- Conference planning to begin soon, seeking additional volunteers
- Bowling, October 13th 6:30-9:30, \$20 pp, includes 3 games and shoes, Dustin Mangold is co-lead
 - b. **President - Elect David Williams**
- Training set up, possibly in October
- Garnered interest for paper submissions for next conference
 - d. **Secretary Cody McDougall**
- Happy Hour August 18th at Village Well in Reno, 630-930pm.
 - e. **PWO Representative..... Dave Wozynski**
- No report
 - f. **WEF Delegate Joe Navas & Jennifer Mason**
- No report

4. Treasurer’s Report – Michael Rawlins

- First month of new fiscal year, required new budget to be built.
- Still showing last years and this year’s conference on budget lines, so it’s a bit skewed right now. May possibly result in wash.



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- GSR is still biggest pending liability
 - Website costs only \$7900, budget accounted for much more than that.
- 5. Certification Board Report – Adrian Edwards**
- Emails were down, still working through backlog
 - Networking Event and dischargers meeting, October 26th at Reds in Carson City
 - Cert Board meeting held at TMWRF October 27th
- 6. Program Administrator Report – Ashley Jacobson**
- 7. WPI Report – John Solvie**
- New exam development for WW treatment operators and collection system operators, progressing well.
- 8. Membership Services Committee – Suey Huey, Jeff Bigham (Website)**
- a. Golf Committee-Joe Navas, Jonathan Leitch**
- b. Social Media- Hamed Heidari**
- LinkedIn, in past month there was 120% more viewers
 - Acquired two new followers, accomplished 3 posts on LinkedIn
 - Showed member rosters and organizations in NWEA, discussed membership breakdown (professional, Lifetime etc.)
- c. Blog Development: Hamed Heidari, Danielle Palffy**
- Finished write up for introductory post, include photo for all board members
 - Update with new events and spotlights for board members in the future
 - Danielle’s email, -Danielle.Palffy@stantec.com, send any ideas, photos, etc. for blog.
- d. Switching over from GoDaddy website resulted in email issues.**
- 9. Tri-State Report – Ashley Jacobson, Nikita Lingenfelter**
- Largest Tri-State ever
 - 5,000 registered attendees, about 900 more than last year.
 - First year making a profit from merchandise sells
 - Over 200 people attended networking event
 - Invoices for networking event will be under Networking South on budget.
 - Meeting in early November to determine how much was made during Tri-State and how much will be divided up.
- 10. Conference Planning Committee – Dodos**
- Begin meeting in October for abstract development.
 - Need new conference theme, please submit ideas
 - Looking for more volunteers



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11. Professional Development and Training Committee – Sabrina, David

Upcoming trainings:

- 3-4 hour pump training scheduled for October
- Looking for someone in North to help with training and development
- Discussion needed for how to better meet training needs for NWEA-only certs

12. Public Education and Outreach Committee – Monica Morales—Northern

- Will wait until next week to reach out to teachers regarding school visits
Tanner Spendlove—Southern

13. Young Professionals/Outreach Committee

- **Angel Lacroix – Northern Nevada Chair**
- Not present
- **Blake Gonska – Southern Nevada Chair**
- Ahmed will take over as Southern Chair in coming months
- UNLV student submitted abstract to WEFTEC and was accepted, will present at WEFTEC

14. Policies and Procedures Committee – Kamrun Ahmadi, Casey Mentzer

- Code of Conduct revisions will go out to vote via email for approval.

15. DE&I Committee – Joe Navas, Nikita Lingenfelter

- Not Present

16. General WEF Standing Committee – All

- WEFTEC Waterpalooza will have 13-16 booths set up and 825 students.

17. Nominations and Awards Committee – Jennifer Mason

- Not present

18. Old Business

- None

19. New Business

- Planning for WEFTEC dinner in Chicago
- Happy hour August 18th, location Village Well, 6:30pm.

20. Next Board Meeting Date:

- **Date proposed: Sept 20th, 2023**
- **Proposed Locations: Zoom Web Tele & In-person (N:TMWRF and S:City of Henderson)**



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21. Adjourn NWEA Meeting