



# NEVADA WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING



## Meeting Minutes Wednesday, January 17th, 2024

Time: **January 17th, 2024 12:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)**

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

- Agenda was approved

**2. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

- Minutes were approved

**3. Board Reports**

- a. **Past - President..... Casey Mentzer**
- No report
- b. **President ..... Sabrina Dodos**
- Keli Callahan-Encourage board members to learn more about the Tri-State seminar. Tri-State is partnered with CWEA, AZ Water, and NWEA. NWEA is responsible to appoint 5 members to the Board of Managers. Interested board members reach out to Keli.
  - Time commitment-require attendance at the Tri-State Seminar and meetings in February, May, August and November for Board of Managers members, committee members, except committee chair, not required to attend meetings.
  - Travel-Employer sponsored travel, Tri-State LLC pays for hotel room
  - Keli will respond in email regarding Tri-State bylaws about rules regarding changes
- Dr. James-Succession planning for 5S. Looking for someone to work under him and eventually take over his role. Looking for someone to co-present.
  - b. **President - Elect ..... David Williams**
- No report
- c. **Secretary ..... Cody McDougall**
- Not present
- d. **PWO Representative..... Dave Wozynski**
- No report
- e. **WEF Delegate ..... Joe Navas & Jennifer Mason**
- Not present

**4. Treasurer’s Report – Michael Rawlins**

- Included \$75,000 to budget resulting in \$20,000 net. Anticipate more conference registrations and sponsors.

**5. Certification Board Report – Adrian Edwards**

- Cert Board meeting Monday of Conference 9-12. Unless there is a demand for written tests, suggests not including this option at the conference.



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- On boarding for Certemy completed.
  
- 6. Program Administrator Report – Ashley Jacobson**
  - Not present
  
- 7. WPI Report – John Solvie**
  - WPI Conference-established a lot of good contacts, board meeting resulted in good discussion on need to know info on testing. New Grade IV test for WW treatment form has been completed. Practice exams for Grades 1-2 for 4 core disciplines. Looking for Spanish translation for some exams.
  
- 8. Membership Services Committee – Suey Huey, Jeff Bigham (Website)**
  - a. **Golf Committee- Joe Navas, Jonathan Leitch**
  - b. **Suey/Jeff-No report**
  - c. **Social Media- Hamed Heidari-** Linkdin 6 new members, posts got 600 engagements and 22 clicks. Need to post more on the Blog
  - d. **Blog Development: Hamed Heidari, Danielle Palffy**
  
- 9. Tri-State Report – Ashley Jacobson, Nikita Lingenfelter, Raj Chavan, Keli Callahan, LeAnna Rizzo**
  - No report
  
- 10. Conference Planning Committee**
  - March 11 – WW Operator Exam Review (Input needed) & Welcome Reception (6-10 PM)
    - Grade 1-2 review 8-12pm, Grade 3-4 review 1-5pm
    - WEF Welcome Reception
  - March 12 - Conference and Student Poster Competition, no evening social
    - Cody will be sending out invites shortly for Student Poster Competition
  - March 13 – Conference and Arts District evening social
  - March 14 – Tour at City of Las Vegas
  - Swag update
    - Ordered Pins, coffee mugs, full GB flash drives,
  - Women in Water and Attendance Scholarships
  - WEF and NWEA Awards
    - New NWEA Quarter Century Operator Award still open – Tell your friends
    - NWEA awards are now closed
  - Registration is now open, room block discount closes 2/10 – Please register early so we don't have a heart attack 😊
  
- 11. Professional Development and Training Committee – Sabrina, David**
  - WateReuse conference January 29<sup>th</sup> in Las Vegas



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### **12. Public Education and Outreach Committee –**

#### **Monica Morales—Northern**

- School scheduled for January 18<sup>th</sup> Cody, Casey and Monica will be presenting.
- 2-3 applications for the attendance and women in water scholarships
- Working on funding for IMAX screening

#### • **South**

- LV Science & Tech Festival – Saturday May 4

### **13. Young Professionals/Outreach Committee**

- **Angel Lacroix – Northern Nevada Chair**-Looking for replacement
- **Blake Gonska – Southern Nevada Chair**-Looking for replacement

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

- Looking for feedback on how to go about revising. Are there policies the board wants to keep? Proposing sending out emails with questions or leave comments within documents for review.
- Individual emails seem to be the best option

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

- **Not present**

### **16. General WEF Standing Committee – All**

- Water Leadership Institute Application closes January 17<sup>th</sup>
  - [Water Environment Federation - Water Leadership Institute 2024 - Application \(secure-platform.com\)](#)

### **17. Nominations and Awards Committee – Jennifer Mason**

### **18. Old Business**

### **19. New Business**

- Casey-World Water Day is in March, looking to get proclamation for City of Sparks

### **20. Next Board Meeting Date:**

- **Date proposed: February 21st, 2024**
- **Proposed Locations: Teams meeting & In-person (N:TMWRF and S:City of Henderson)**

### **21. Adjourn NWEA Meeting**