

NEVADA WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING



Meeting Minutes Wednesday, December 20th, 2023

Time: December 20th, 2023 12:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

- 1. Approval of the Agenda
- Agenda was approved
- 2. <u>Approval of Meeting Minutes</u>
- Minutes were approved
- 3. Board Reports
 - a. Past President..... Casey Mentzer
- No report
 - b. President Sabrina Dodos
- Conference meeting will include budget discussion for next year
 - c. President Elect David Williams
- No report
 - d. Secretary Cody McDougall
- No report
 - e. PWO Representative..... Dave Wozynski
- No report
 - f. WEF Delegate Joe Navas & Jennifer Mason
- WEF awards are now open

4. <u>Treasurer's Report – Michael Rawlins</u>

- Received money from Tri-state in December in amount of \$75,000
- Paid total of \$26,000 to Palace Station

5. <u>Certification Board Report – Adrian Edwards</u>

• TMWA reached out to discuss indirect potable re-use certification

6. Program Administrator Report – Ashley Jacobson

- Certemy update Met with certemy again and begun to add users. Using 1 operator for testing purposes to look at both ends of the process. PSI changed their site on Dec. 1st, it is now more difficult to navigate, they are working on making it more user friendly.
- 7. WPI Report John Solvie
- Conference next month and board of directors meeting. Will provide update after conference.



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- 8. <u>Membership Services Committee Suey Huey, Jeff Bigham (Website)</u>
 - a. Golf Committee- Joe Navas, Jonathan Leitch
- Will have updates on fundraiser soon
 - **b.** Suey/Jeff-No updates
 - c. Social Media- Hamed Heidari
 - d. Blog Development: Hamed Heidari, Danielle Palffy
- Working on blog questionnaire for a "get to know you," for board members. Questionnaire will be sent out by Cody.

9. Tri-State Report – Ashley Jacobson, Nikita Lingenfelter, Raj Chavan, Keli Callahan, LeAnna Risso

- There are 5 members on Tri-State board, building a better connection with Tri-State
- Next board meeting is in February, next year's theme is Old Vegas, will have more update after next meeting. Any ideas for novelties please let Ashley know.
- To get involved get in touch with LeAnna Risso

10. <u>Conference Planning Committee</u>

- Planning is moving along good. 2 People registered so far.
- March 11th, tentative waste water operator exam review
- March 11th, Welcome reception at Palace Station
- March 12th, Student Poster competition
- March 13th, Networking event-scavenger hunt/bar hop in arts district
- Please register early
- Received 32 abstracts, 2 scholarship opportunities, 1 applicant for each scholarship. Closes in January.
- New NWEA Quarter Century Operator award.

11. Professional Development and Training Committee – Sabrina, David

• WateReuse conference January 29th in Las Vegas

12. Public Education and Outreach Committee –

Monica Morales—Northern

- Possible field trip to IMAX Theater to watch engineering movie
- Will send out reminder in January to remind of upcoming events
- South
 - LV Science & Tech Festival Saturday May 4
 - \$100 for early bird non-profit payment
 - o Call for volunteers to do class room visits in prior weeks
 - Expo Registration | Las Vegas Science an (scifest.vegas)



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13. Young Professionals/Outreach Committee

- Angel Lacroix Northern Nevada Chair
- Blake Gonska Southern Nevada Chair

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

• No update

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

• No report

16. General WEF Standing Committee – All

- WEFTEC call for abstracts closes January 15th
- Water Leadership Institute Application closes January 17th
 - <u>Water Environment Federation Water Leadership Institute 2024 Application (secure-platform.com)</u>

17. Nominations and Awards Committee – Jennifer Mason

• No update

18. Old Business

No update

19. <u>New Business</u>

- Holiday networking event was successful in both north and south
- North was held at Reno Axe 20+ people showed up. Ugly sweater themed
- South had a sushi bar

20. <u>Next Board Meeting Date:</u>

- Date proposed: January 17th, 2024
- Proposed Locations: Teams meeting & In-person (N:TMWRF and S:City of Henderson)

21. Adjourn NWEA Meeting