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MEETING MINUTES

TXSWANA Board of Directors Meeting

Dallas, TX

Friday, January 16, 2015 10:30 a.m. CST

Present: Ellen Smyth, David McCary, Richard McHale, Morris Williams Jr., Michael Rice, Brenda Haney, Lawrence Mikolajczyk, Frank Pugsley, Lonnie Banks, Hector Chavez, Jeff Mayfield, Paul Gosselink

Phone: Harry Hayes, Vance Kemler, Holly Holder, Ty Embrey (guest)

Guests: Dr. Sun Wenjie – SMU, Bill Hindman, Michael Carleton, Risa Weinberger, Sahadat Hossain, Brian Waltenburg, Daniel Shnider, Brett DeVries

Absent: Bengy Williams, Ron Smith

CALL TO ORDER: Ellen Smyth called the meeting to order at 10:36 a.m. CST.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by David McCary to approve the minutes from the November Board meeting. It was seconded by Brenda Haney and the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Richard McHale presented the financial report from December of 2014. Balances of each account were \$160,948.18 for checking account, \$30,240.19 for savings account, \$16,244.55 for conference account, \$2,997.00 for the State Road-e-o account, and \$44,333.21 in the water balance account. A motion was made by Brenda to approve the December financial report and David McCary seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CHAPTER BUSINESS

Legislative/Regulatory – Ty Embrey discussed House Bills 89 and 423 (TV Recycle Bills), House Bill 281 (Landfill Bill), and Senate Bill 253 (Landfill Bill). House Bill 89 deals with the amendment of Chapter 361 of the Health and Safety Code. The bill provides administrative requirements on certain retailers to properly collect and recycle computer and television equipment. House Bill 423 seeks to regulate the disposal of computer and television equipment via amendments to the Health and Safety Code. House Bill 281 defines the type of landfill to which this provision would apply; namely, a landfill that is located in a municipality within a county with a population of more than 600,000 and one that is not more than 500 feet from another municipality located in the same county. Senate Bill 253 is relating to applications for permits issued by the TCEQ for certain new or expanded facilities in certain low-income and minority communities.

There was discussion on the plastic bag ban and also discussion as to Governor Abbott's stance on the bag ban. Ty was interested in TxSWANA's position on the plastic bag ban and assured the board that he would seek an opinion from the board as to which direction we want to go by the next board meeting on February 20.

2014 WasteCon Wrap Up – Brenda reported that the 2014 WasteCon accounting has been finalized. TxSWANA received a check for all of the revenue and proceeds due to the chapter of \$65,223.00 from

SWANA National. A check will be written to the Gaylord for \$67,891.72 to close the books on the WasteCon Conference. There will be a \$2,300 profit for TxSWANA after all bills are paid and finalized.

2015 TxSWANA Conference:

Ellen recognized the sponsors that had already paid as: Heil of Texas, Parkhill Smith & Cooper, Burns & McDonnell, and LSC Environmental. There are currently 50 registrations and 10 booths that have been accounted for to date. We are expecting 250 to 300 registrants and Ellen reminded the board to make contact with people to get registered, sponsor the event, and fill booth space.

Thursday, April 16, the conference will begin with the golf tournament in the morning at the Butterfield Golf Course, technical tours in the afternoon, and the opening reception that evening. Friday, April 17, will feature the technical (CEU) sessions, the show held in the exhibit hall, and the networking event held at Sunland Park Race Track and Casino. Saturday, April 18, will close out the conference with technical sessions, the awards luncheon, and a TxSWANA board meeting. Ellen also stated that she invited New Mexico to the conference.

Newsletter/Website – Frank updated the board on the status of the website. He informed the current host that TxSWANA will not be renewing our website with them and the term ends at the end of January 2015. Frank conducted a brief overview of the new website and its features and it will go live by the end of the month.

Michael Rice reported that he expects to get articles from Ellen (President's message), Ty Embrey (legislative), and David Vartian (safety). There will be advertisements highlighting our sponsors in the newsletter along with information about the upcoming TxSWANA Conference. The newsletter will be available at the end of January.

IB Report – Brenda reported that John Skinner, Executive Director of SWANA, announced his retirement effective April 30, 2015. There was discussion that the board would look into getting some type of gift for Mr. Skinner on behalf of TxSWANA. Brenda participated in two conference calls: the finance committee and a Region 3 conference call. She reported that the October financials for SWANA produced a modest profit for WasteCon Dallas of \$4,856 (unaudited). Additionally, the surveys were generally positive concerning WasteCon Dallas. There were a couple complaints from the exhibitors that they would like to see more traffic on the show floor. SWANA is addressing this issue at the upcoming WasteCon in Florida by conducting the opening reception on the exhibit hall floor. There will be two full days of exhibits and showcases of specific exhibitors and their services or equipment.

Brenda reported that SWANA's membership is up 1.5% and that is an all-time high. SWANA is conducting a dues analysis and working on recruiting a new executive director. Brenda also provided the board with the dates and locations for the upcoming WasteCon events:

- 2016 – Indianapolis
- 2017 – Baltimore
- 2018 – Nashville
- 2019 – Not yet determined
- 2020 – Dallas
- 2021 – Tampa

OTHER BUSINESS:

Water Balance Update – Vance reported that he received the second revision of the Water Balance Project and he was requesting a check for \$35,000 for task three. There was discussion amongst the board about the Water Balance Report and there will be interest as to what the final results will be. There will be a stakeholder meeting on February 20, 2015, at TCEQ headquarters in Austin from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. All stakeholders are welcome to attend. Vance, Brenda, Frank, and Jeff Mayfield will get

together prior to the stakeholder meeting to discuss the Water Balance Report and also get with a TCEQ representative to discuss the findings of the report. Frank provided the board with a draft copy of the Water Balance Report for review.

TRDI – Richard informed the board that the report is complete and the “release party” is in Austin on February 4, 2015. The event will include a luncheon for about 150 people and the results will be discussed. The tickets are \$100 per person and a table for seven people will be sold at \$2,500. There are event sponsorships that are available for \$500. The funds will assist in covering a \$20,000 shortfall. Michael moved that we sponsor a table for \$2,500 for the TRDI Luncheon and Brenda seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Possible Sites for 2015 Road-E-O – No sites were determined for the 2015 Road-E-O but the board agreed that we would reach out to Bengy Williams (Beaumont) and Lawrence Mikolajczyk (Corpus Christi) to possibly host the event. Ellen will get with the two board members.

Committee Assignment Review – No action taken.

2015 Meeting Locations – The board agreed on the following dates and locations for the 2015 board meetings.

- February 20, 2015 – Austin
- March 13, 2015 – Dallas
- April 18, 2015 – El Paso (TxSWANA Conference)
- May 15, 2015 – Austin
- June 2015 – To be determined (TxSWANA Road-E-O)
- July 17, 2015 – Dallas
- August 26, 2015 – Orlando (WasteCon Conference)
- September 18, 2015 – Houston
- October 16, 2015 – El Paso
- November 20, 2015 – Dallas

Bylaw Review – Brenda discussed the terms within the bylaws that specifically deals with the past-president’s and IB representative’s terms. Additionally, Brenda stated there is a need to address the bylaw that deals with the limit on \$1,000 expenditures. The board agreed to place the Bylaw Review to the Chapter Business portion of the February 20 board meeting. No action taken.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There were no announcements.

ACTION ITEMS:

There were no action items.

NEXT MEETING:

The next TxSWANA Board of Director’s meeting will be held in Austin, TX on Friday, February 20, 2015 at the TCEQ offices.

ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Brenda to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Michael. It was approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:42 p.m.



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TXSWANA Board of Directors Meeting

Austin, TX

Friday, February 20, 2015 12:30 p.m. CST

Present: Ellen Smyth, David McCary, Richard McHale, Morris Williams Jr., Michael Rice, Brenda Haney, Frank Pugsley, Hector Chavez, Paul Gosselink, Harry Hayes, Vance Kemler,

Phone: Lonnie Banks, Vance Kemler

Guests: Ty Embrey, Bill Hindman, James Tyree, Scott Pasternak, Jeff Reed, Maia Corbitt, Chance Gidden, Earl Lott

Absent: Bengy Williams, Ron Smith, Lawrence Mikolajczyk, Holly Holder, Jeff Mayfield

CALL TO ORDER: Ellen Smyth called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m. CST.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Harry Hayes to approve the minutes from the January Board meeting. It was seconded by David McCary and the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Richard McHale presented the financial report from January 2015. Balances of each account were \$155,857.21 for checking account, \$30,240.96 for savings account, \$50,076.55 for conference account, \$2,997.00 for the State Road-e-o account, and \$44,333.21 in the water balance account. A motion was made by Brenda Haney to approve the January financial report and Michael Rice seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CHAPTER BUSINESS:

2015 TxSWANA Conference – Ellen Smyth discussed the logistics of the conference and how the training tracks would be set up. She announced that the breakfast speaker would be Simply Recycle who is a curbside clothing recycler. Ellen also let the board know that the rooms were filling up fast and encouraged everyone to get their rooms booked. She also discussed the lack of submissions for the “finest” awards and hoped that there would be more before the deadline to submit. Ellen suggested that the board offer a booth to the SMART Committee at the conference.

Newsletter/Website – Michael stated that the newsletter went out in January and the next one would not be released until April 2015, following the TxSWANA Conference.

Frank Pugsley discussed the “job posting” feature of the website. He discussed how it could be utilized by the board and members of TxSWANA. Brenda suggested that we continue have the conference in the forefront of the website as we approach the start of the conference. Frank asked for photos from cities to place on the website.

Legislative/Regulatory – Ty Embrey brought the board up to date on the current bills and their status. He reported the deadline to file bills was March 13, 2015, and he anticipated that bills would continue to be filed to this date. Ty wanted to get TxSWANA’s position on the following bills. Here are the bills with TxSWANA’s position on each in parentheses:

- HB 87 – Relating to the collection and recycling of computer and television equipment by certain retailers. (NEUTRAL)
- HB 190 – Relating to the regulatory analysis of rules proposed by the TCEQ. (NEUTRAL)
- HB 273 – Relating to the minimum term of confinement for an offense of illegal dumping in a municipality. (NEUTRAL)
- HB 281 – Relating to a limitation on the expansion of landfills. (OPPOSED)
- HB 423 – Relating to prohibiting the land disposal of computer equipment and certain television equipment. (OPPOSED)
- HB 994 – Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of property used to collect, process, and deliver landfill-generated gas. (NEUTRAL – revisit next month)
- HB 1058 – Relating to notice and information provided by a municipal solid waste facility and a commercial transporter of solid waste regarding recycling programs for certain electronic waste. (OPPOSED)
- HB 1113 – Relating to the standard of review for a determination of standing in a contested case hearing conducted by the TCEQ. (NEUTRAL – will monitor)
- HB 1184 – Relating to authorizing certain alternative fuel programs as eligible for local government energy savings performance contracts. (NEUTRAL – will monitor)
- HB 1247 – Relating to presumptions in contested case hearings regarding certain environmental permit applications. (NEUTRAL)
- HB 1257 – Relating to the use by a political subdivision of public money for lobbying activities or lobbyists. (NEUTRAL)
- HB 1284 – Relating to the review by certain governmental entities of a permit application for a solid waste facility. (OPPOSED)
- HB 1419 – Relating to contested cases conducted under the Administrative Procedure Act. (NEUTRAL)
- HB 1554 – Relating to a report on local government operations prepared by the comptroller. (NEUTRAL)
- HB 1569 – Relating to the creation of a defense under the Solid Waste Disposal Act for persons engaged in certain recycling transactions. (NEUTRAL – will monitor)
- SB 253 – Relating to applications for permits issued by the Commission on Environmental Quality for certain new or expanded facilities in certain low-income and minority communities. (OPPOSED)
- SB 513 – Relating to the regulation of metal recycling entities. (NEUTRAL)

Ty will continue to monitor the bills and legislative activity and will update the board as things arise and change.

Paul discussed the TCEQ Permit Streamlining comments that were sent out to the board prior to the meeting. The board will review the comments and submit any concerns to Paul so he can submit them.

IB Report – Brenda reported that the SWANA Finance Committee Meeting will be held on March 3 and the SWANA Mid-Year Meeting will be held on March 19. She also reported that SWANA has filed its taxes and are in good standing.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Water Balance Update – The Water Balance Project was discussed in length prior to the board meeting and due to time constraints, it will be revisited at the next meeting.

TRDI – Richard handed out a copy of the TRDI Report Summary. He informed the board that the “release party” was well attended and went well. Scott Pasternak thanked everyone who participated in the report and let everyone know that the report is on the website and can be accessed.

2015 Road-E-O – Harry reported that Houston would host the 2015 Road-E-O and Republic Landfill would be assisting as a sponsor. There are no definitive dates but it is tentatively scheduled for the middle of June. Harry will email dates for the Road-E-O as he works out the details.

Bylaw Review – There was no time to review the bylaws and it will be addressed at the next meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Brenda reported SWANA's Senior Executive Seminar will be in Austin the last weekend in January 2016. She encouraged the board members to attend and Vance Kemler also encouraged members to spread the word to any Young Professional (YP) members as it is a great place for learning new trends and networking.

Sara Bixby with SWANA requested information from chapters on how they manage credit card transactions. Brenda will offer information on behalf of TxSWANA.

James Tyree was introduced as one of the speakers for the TxSWANA Conference and is also TxSWANA's YP representative.

ACTION ITEMS:

There were no action items.

NEXT MEETING:

The next TxSWANA Board of Director's meeting will be held in Dallas, TX on Friday, March 13, 2015.

ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Vance to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Michael. It was approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 3:09 p.m.



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MEETING MINUTES

TXSWANA Board of Directors Meeting

Dallas, TX

Friday, March 13, 2015 10:30 a.m. CST

Present: Frank Pugsley, Jeff Mayfield, Holly Holder, David McCary, Richard McHale, Morris Williams Jr., Michael Rice, Brenda Haney, Frank Pugsley, Hector Chavez, Harry Hayes, Vance Kemler, Lawrence Mikolajczyk

Phone: Lonnie Banks, Bengy Williams, Ellen Smyth, Paul Gosselink, Maia Corbitt (guest), Ty Embrey (guest), Maia Corbitt (guest)

Guests: Bill Hindman, Michael Carlton, Jeff Reed

Absent: Ron Smith, Harry Hayes, Michael Rice

CALL TO ORDER: Brenda Haney called the meeting to order at 10:33 a.m. CST.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Holly Holder to approve the minutes with corrections from the February Board meeting. It was seconded by Jeff Mayfield and the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Richard McHale presented the financial report from February 2015. Balances of each account were \$198,575.59 for checking account, \$30,241.66 for savings account, \$77,075.43 for conference account, \$5,000.00 for the State Road-e-o account, and \$4,333.21 in the water balance account. A motion was made by Vance Kemler to approve the February financial report and Frank Pugsley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CHAPTER BUSINESS:

2015 TxSWANA Conference – Ellen Smyth discussed the conference and updated the board that everything is on schedule. She said there was still room for more golf teams and encouraged the board to solicit the tournament. Ellen stated the buses were confirmed for transportation to the golf tournament and Sunland Park.

Bylaw Review – The board reviewed the Bylaws extensively and there were several revisions proposed to the bylaws. Noteworthy revisions were: adding the Young Professionals (YP) category and modifying the "Notice of the General Membership annual meeting." The board will be making the final revisions to the Bylaws and the amendments will be approved by the membership at a later date.

TRDI – Maia Corbitt gave updates on TRDI. She stated that results of the study would be published in multiple trade association journals. handed out a copy of the TRDI Report Summary. He informed the board that the "release party" was well attended and went well. Scott Pasternak thanked everyone who participated in the report and let everyone know that the report is on the website and can be accessed.

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ACTION ITEMS:

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ADJOURN:

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MEETING MINUTES

TXSWANA Board of Directors Meeting

El Paso, TX

Saturday, April 18, 2015 1:23 p.m. MST

Present: Ellen Smyth, Jeff Mayfield, Holly Holder, David McCary, Richard McHale, Morris Williams Jr., Michael Rice, Brenda Haney, Frank Pugsley, Vance Kemler, Lawrence Mikolajczyk, Paul Gosselink, Lonnie Banks, Bengy Williams,

Phone: None

Guests: Bill Hindman, Brett DeVries, Tyler Krueger, Jeff Reed, Derek Mebane, Liza Bustamante, Donald Hardee, Roberto Trevino Jr., Elvira Alonzo, Mike Oden, Dinorah Sanchez, Shaquawanna Carter, David Dugger, Shirlene Sitton, Risa Weinberger, Mike Carleton

Absent: Hector Chavez, Harry Hayes

CALL TO ORDER: Ellen Smyth called the meeting to order at 1:23 p.m. MST.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Holly Holder to approve the minutes from the March Board meeting. It was seconded by Brenda Haney and the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

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2015 TxSWANA Conference (debrief) – Preliminary reviews were all positive regarding the conference. Ellen told the board that overall, there was an opportunity to earn nine total CEUs from the conference.

CHAPTER BUSINESS:

2015 Road-E-O – Derek Mebane provided the update for the upcoming TxSWANA Road-E-O that will be held in Houston beginning June 26, 2015. He provided the locations where the events will be held as well as the host hotel information: Holiday Inn near Houston Intercontinental Airport. Derek said estimated the preliminary budget for the event as follows: Revenues - \$27,000 (only includes registration) and Expenses - \$31,000. The particulars for the event are still being worked out and there will be further updates by the next meeting. Brenda asked about the "traveling trophies" for the Road-E-O winners and wanted to get that program reinstated and purchase the trophies for it. Paul Gosselink made the motion and Jeff Mayfield seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2016 TxSWANA Conference (Corpus Christi) – Lawrence Mikolajczyk provided an update on the 2016 conference and said the Omni Hotel will be the host hotel. He has been working on getting reduced room rates and has secured the single room rates at \$129 and double room rates at \$149; which is \$120 less than the standard rates. There is expected to be golf and fishing tournaments and

the USS Lexington is a preliminary place for the off-site event. There will be further information upcoming.

Newsletter/Website – Michael Rice stated that the newsletter will be coming out soon with information and photos from the conference. There will also be information on the Road-E-O.

Frank discussed the website and notified the board that it is set up to accept credit cards. Additionally, the website is set up to assist with registration and has other features that will help during conference.

Legislative/Regulatory – Paul informed the board about a grease trap hauler who is challenging the City of Denton's ordinance on the fact that Denton charges a container fee. It is an open issue that he will keep us informed on as it goes along. Paul also informed the board that the legislation about the contested case hearing process will most likely pass which will change the burden of proof from the applicants (landfills) to the protestants, making it easier to get landfill permits.

IB Report – Brenda reported that SWANA named David Biderman as the Executive Director. She also informed us that there was some discussion about membership fees at the last IB meeting. Brenda reminded us about WasteCon in August and there are tentatively six members scheduled to go.

OTHER BUSINESS:

2017 TxSWANA Conference (San Antonio) – David McCary reported that San Antonio is excited to host the 2017 conference and is trying to schedule the conference near the beginning or the end of Fiesta. They will continue to work on the conference.

2018 TxSWANA Conference (Houston) – There was no update at this point.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Michael reported that he is retiring from the City of Amarillo after 32 years of service.

Ron Smith is resigning from the board and will be relocating out of state.

All guests introduced themselves and the board welcomed them and thanked them for joining the board meeting and being part of TxSWANA.

ACTION ITEMS:

Paul will meet with TCEQ and discuss some of the issues that TxSWANA is concerned with before the next board meeting.

NEXT MEETING:

The next TxSWANA Board of Director's meeting will be held in Austin, Texas, on Friday, May 15, 2015.

ADJOURN:

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.



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MEETING MINUTES

TXSWANA Board of Directors Meeting

Austin, TX

Friday, May 15, 2015 10:30 a.m. CST

Present: Ellen Smyth, Jeff Mayfield, Holly Holder, Richard McHale, Morris Williams Jr., Hector Chavez, Brenda Haney, Frank Pugsley, Vance Kemler, Paul Gosselink, Lonnie Banks, Bengy Williams,

Phone: David McCary, Michael Rice, Lawrence Mikolajczyk, Harry Hayes

Guests: Jeff Reed, Matt Baker, Chance Goodin, Earl Lott, Scott Pasternak, Ty Embrey, James Tyree

Absent: None

CALL TO ORDER: Ellen Smyth called the meeting to order at 10:54 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Brenda Haney to approve the minutes with corrections from the April Board meeting. It was seconded by Jeff Mayfield and the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Richard McHale presented the financial report from April 2015. Balances of each account were \$147,273.43 for checking account, \$30,243.17 for savings account, \$105,859.22 for conference account, \$5,000.00 for the State Road-e-o account, and \$4,333.21 in the water balance account. A motion was made by Vance Kemler to approve the April financial report and Holly Holder seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2015 TxSWANA Conference Update – The final conference bills have been paid and the preliminary numbers showed a net profit just over \$60,000.

CHAPTER BUSINESS:

2015 Road-E-O – Frank provided an update on the online registration and online payments and it seems that everything is working properly. Harry reported that everything is in order for the Road-E-O. Sponsors have already confirmed that they will be sponsoring the meals and all of the landfill activities. Brenda stated the traveling trophies have been ordered and will be ready by the date the Road-E-O started.

2016 TxSWANA Conference (Corpus Christi) – Lawrence Mikolajczyk provided an update on the 2016 conference and reported that he had met with the Omni Hotel. The conference is scheduled to begin on Sunday, April 10, 2016 and will end on Wednesday, April 13, 2016. Off-site activities will include fishing at Laguna Madre, golf at North Shore Country Club, and the final dinner will be on the USS Lexington. There will be further information upcoming.

Newsletter/Website – Michael Rice stated that he had forwarded a draft of the newsletter to the board and he only needed to update the new members. Ron Smith was removed from the newsletter as a board of director. There will also be information on the Road-E-O.

Frank discussed the website and notified the board that the Road-E-O information is on the website. He also stated that he would add the 2016 TxSWANA Conference to the website.

Legislative/Regulatory – Earl Lott with the TCEQ provided the board with an update on some of the house bills that were of concern to the solid waste industry and TCEQ. He also spoke about the meeting with Paul Gosselink about some of the issues that TxSWANA was concerned with.

Ty Embrey provided an update on the bills that he has been tracking. He stated that the regular legislative session would end on June 1. He will keep the board informed through email as of any bills that directly are related to Solid Waste and will ask for representatives from TxSWANA to testify against any bills if necessary.

IB Report – Brenda reported that David Biderman, SWANA Executive Director, is trying to get out and visit the respective chapters to introduce himself. She also informed us that SWANA is looking into offering webinars that members can access.

OTHER BUSINESS:

2017 TxSWANA Conference (San Antonio) – David McCary reported that the preliminary work for the San Antonio conference is underway and everything is on schedule. They will continue to work on the conference.

Bylaw Review/Elections – There was discussion about the upcoming elections and Brenda made a motion to place the seven current board members on the ballot with Catrennia Williamson (City of Lubbock) and Elvira Alonzo (City of McAllen) as the recommended slate of directors for 2015-2017. Vance Kemler seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The ballots were corrected and will be addressed/sent to Morris Williams Jr., the current secretary. Additionally, the website can be utilized for voting. The board also set the annual meeting date as July 24, 2015, in Dallas, Texas.

Ellen presented the corrected version of the bylaws to the board and announced that we would be submitting the final draft for approval to SWANA national.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

James Tyree thanked the board members for bringing staff members to the Annual TxSWANA Conference. He reported that there were about 15 Young Professionals (YP) that were identified at the conference and he would be establishing conference calls to possibly set up activities across the state.

ACTION ITEMS:

No action items.

NEXT MEETING:

The next TxSWANA Board of Director's meeting will be held in Houston, Texas, on Friday, June 26, 2015.

ADJOURN:

The meeting was adjourned at 1:52 p.m.



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MEETING MINUTES

TXSWANA Board of Directors Meeting

Houston, TX

Friday, June 26, 2015 10:30 a.m. CST

Present: David McCary, Richard McHale, Vance Kemler, Morris Williams Jr., Brenda Haney, Frank Pugsley, Lonnie Banks

Phone: Ellen Smyth, Michael Rice, Lawrence Mikolajczyk, Hector Chavez,

Guests: Donald Siptak, Lora Hinchcliff, Jeff Reed, Derek Mebane, Liza Bustamante, Carolyn Wright

Absent: Harry Hayes, Bengy Williams, Paul Gosselink, Holly Holder, Jeff Mayfield

CALL TO ORDER: David McCary called the meeting to order at 10:41 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Vance Kemler to approve the minutes from the May Board meeting. It was seconded by Richard McHale and the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Richard McHale presented the financial report from May 2015. Balances of each account were \$147,273.43 for checking account, \$30,243.94 for savings account, \$81,392.96 for conference account, \$5,000.00 for the State Road-e-o account, and \$4,333.21 in the water balance account. Richard reported that he had received the invoice for the DNO and chapter liability insurance from SWANA in the amount of \$1,906. We will pay it early to receive a savings of 5% leaving the total that we will pay to SWANA, \$1,810.70. A motion was made by Morris Williams Jr. to approve the May financial report and Lonnie Banks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2015 TxSWANA Conference Update – Ellen reported that the final net profit for the El Paso conference was \$65,362.58. She also reported that she started the conference with \$3,000 instead of the \$5,000 that was originally reported. Vance made a motion to increase the seed money for the annual conference and road-e-o's from \$3,000 to \$5,000. Richard seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

CHAPTER BUSINESS:

2015 Road-E-O – Carolyn Wright and Derek Mebane gave a brief overview of the upcoming Road-E-O and all the events that will take place over the weekend. It was reported that there were 83 competitors and 50 judges/volunteers that would be part of the Road-E-O.

2016 TxSWANA Conference (Corpus Christi) – Lawrence Mikolajczyk provided an update on the 2016 conference that included a letter of agreement with the Omni Hotels & Resorts. The letter referenced the room rates and all other charges and rates associated with the conference. He also planned to send out an email blast to the membership to see how many people were interested in fishing to ensure that he had transportation. Lawrence will get with Frank Pugsley in the upcoming weeks to get the email out.

Newsletter/Website – Michael Rice reported that the next newsletter would come out at the end of July or the first of August. It will include the president's message, results from the Road-E-O, scholarship recipient information, a safety article from the SMART Committee, a "save the date" for the 2016 Annual Conference, advertisements, a legislative/regulatory article, and information on the new board of directors for TxSWANA. He solicited for any additional information that needed to be placed in the newsletter.

Legislative/Regulatory – Jeff Reed provided the board with the updates on the proposed New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) for MSW Landfills to reduce emissions. Under the proposal, landfills would capture two-thirds of their methane and air toxics emissions by the year 2023. He also received notice that the City of Lewisville had filed suit against the TCEQ concerning the Camelot Landfill. Jeff also mentioned that SWANA is expecting a proposal for a new rule regarding research and development permits at landfills to be released by the end of this year. Apparently, the researchers are complaining that the current 12 year limit is too short and they are looking to get it extended. The EPA is putting out new emission standards for the model years beginning in 2018. Jeff also mentioned there is an expectation that there will be a proposal regarding the handling of pharmaceuticals that will be primarily directed towards the generators.

IB Report – Brenda Haney discussed the Washington Post recycling article that reported "American recycling is stalling..." She informed the board that David Biderman, SWANA Executive Director, sent a response to the Washington Post with further details about recycling. Brenda also reported that the international board has a 2016 budget that includes a 6.5% increase on fees. The Young Professionals (YP) will not be subjected to the increase. There were several decreases on the expenditures in the budget.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Bylaw Review/Elections – Ellen proposed that the board review the bylaws that she had sent out to us and if there were no objections or changes, she would submit the final draft for approval to SWANA. The board will vote on the final bylaws at next month's meeting.

Ellen sent out the ballot for elections and Morris Williams Jr. stated that he had already started receiving ballots through mail and email. The final tally will be presented at next month's meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Richard reminded the board that the scholarship submittal time had expired and there were six students who submitted. The scholarship committee will review the applications and select recipients for the awards. The information will be forwarded to the board and presented at the next board meeting.

Lora Hinchcliff, Municipal Solutions Manager with Living Earth, informed the board that the State of Texas Alliance for Recycling and Texas Compost Council would be holding compost summit training in Denton. The training will be held October 7-9, 2015, and will be an approved SWANA certification program. Some of the final agenda details are being worked out.

Michael announced that he would be starting his new position as the Public Works Director for the City of Abilene on Monday, June 29, 2015.

ACTION ITEMS:

Lawrence made a motion to appoint Michael Rice to the TxSWANA Board effective immediately. Brenda seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Brenda explained that there was an opportunity for the chapter to participate in webinars through SWANA and she needed approval from the board to proceed with coordinating it. Lonnie made a

motion to authorize Brenda to coordinate the chapter webinar program through SWANA. Richard seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING:

The next TxSWANA Board of Director's meeting will be held in Dallas, Texas, on Friday, July 24, 2015.

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 12:07 p.m.



MEETING MINUTES

TXSWANA Board of Directors Meeting

Dallas, TX

Friday, July 24, 2015 10:30 a.m. CST

Present: Vance Kemler, Morris Williams Jr., Brenda Haney, Frank Pugsley, Michael Rice, Hector Chavez, Paul Gosselink, Holly Holder, Harry Hayes

Phone: Ellen Smyth

Guests: Ty Embrey (phone), Matt Stutz (phone), Tyler Hurd, Risa Weinberger, Liza Bustamante, Jeff Reed, Adam Jochelson, Bill Hindman, Michael Carleton

Absent: David McCary, Lonnie Banks, Richard McHale, Lawrence Mikolajczyk, Bengy Williams, Jeff Mayfield

CALL TO ORDER: Michael Rice called the meeting to order at 10:55 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Holly Holder to approve the minutes from the June Board meeting with revisions. It was seconded by Brenda Haney and the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The financial report was presented for June 2015. Balances of each account were \$163,006.92 for checking account, \$30,244.69 for savings account, \$64,528.91 for conference account, \$15,273.01 for the State Road-e-o account, and \$4,333.21 in the water balance account. A motion was made by Brenda to approve the June financial report and Frank Pugsley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2015 TxSWANA Conference Update – Ellen Smyth reported that the final numbers for the El Paso conference were as follows: Income - \$147,048.22, Expenses - \$82,519.31, and a net profit of \$64,528.91 from the conference.

CHAPTER BUSINESS:

2015 Road-E-O – Harry Hayes reported that the Road-E-O was very successful and preliminary numbers indicate that there may have been a \$5,000 profit from the event.

2016 TxSWANA Conference (Corpus Christi) – Michael made a report for Lawrence Mikolajczyk stating that the contract with the hotel has been signed; there will be exhibit space including 50 tabletops and outside meeting space; audio/visual will be handled in-house; there is a final meeting pending with banquet services for the food menus; and there will be an email blast seeking interest from the membership as to what activities (golf, fishing, aquarium) would be more desirable at the conference.

Newsletter/Website – Michael informed Harry Hayes that he was seeking photos and information from the 2015 TxSWANA Road-E-O for the newsletter that is scheduled to come out in early August. It will also include the scholarship recipients.

Legislative/Regulatory – Paul Gosselink reported that Senate Bill 709 passed effective September 1. This bill changes the burden of proof in hearings to the applicant. Brenda made a motion to authorize a budget of \$5,000 for Paul Gosselink to review the rules associated with SB 709 and to make comments towards it. The motion was seconded by Vance and it was approved unanimously. The comments will be presented to the board at the August board meeting.

Matt Stutz discussed the New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) for MSW Landfills to reduce emissions. He provided updates and will be meeting about the NSPS rules prior to our next board meeting. He will possibly provide updates at next month's board meeting.

Ty Embrey discussed the results of the 84th Legislature and reported that TxSWANA had a good session and killed some bad bills.

Paul also discussed the bill concerning tax credits for renewable energy. The tax credit extension bill passed through the senate finance subcommittee, 23-3, indicating that it will get through the Senate rather easily. After that, it will head to the House. This is just a forewarning of something to come.

IB Report – Brenda discussed the SWANA financials and all preliminary numbers look better than was anticipated. The financial numbers are not finalized. Brenda volunteered to participate in identifying and developing additional revenue sources for SWANA. She will accept any suggestions from TxSWANA Board members. She also reported that July 31 is the expiration of the \$200 rebate on registration for WasteCon and it should have been sent to all members. Brenda reported there will be some charitable opportunities including a 5K Fun Run that is \$35 to enter and will be on Wednesday morning, August 26, in Orlando. There was a 6% rate increase on SWANA dues and renewals are coming up if members have not renewed already. There is also a WasteCon app for this year.

OTHER BUSINESS:

TCEQ MSW Management & Resource Recovery Advisory Council – Vance discussed House Bill 2763 that dealt with TRDI and reporting. He also discussed the expiring terms of the current members on the advisory council.

Holly discussed problems with used tires and informed the board that there were speakers at the last advisory council meeting that spoke about the scrap tire issues throughout the state. There are several communities battling the issues and Harry Hayes told the board that the City of Houston has over 3500 used tire shops.

Vance made a motion for the board to write a letter of support to TCEQ for Holly Holder. Brenda seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Scholarship Awards – Holly reported that eight applications were submitted for scholarships with three being high school students and five being college students. The scholarship committee reviewed the applications and awarded seven of the eight students with scholarships. The lone applicant did not fulfill all of the application requirements. Here are the scholarship recipients and the awards:

High School

- \$1500 – Anne Abramowitz
- \$1500 – Anne Mayfield
- \$1500 – David Rice

College

- \$2000 – Reza Broun
- \$1500 – Miranda Rice
- \$1500 – Kathleen Carleton
- \$500 – MD Ishtiaque Hossain

Vance made a motion to approve the scholarships and Brenda seconded the motion. The motion passed with Michael Rice abstaining from the vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

TCC Compost Summit & Training Oct. 7-9 – Vance reported that the summit will be held in Denton at the Landfill and Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Holly reported that Risa Weinberger was awarded a 2015 SWANA Faculty Member Award. She will be teaching at the conference in Orlando.

Bill Hindman reported that a long-time and life member of TxSWANA, Ken Smith, was very ill. The board decided that a card would be sent on its behalf to Mr. Smith.

Michael shared his new email address, Michael.rice@abilenetx.com, and asked the board to be sure to use this one instead of his former email address.

ACTION ITEMS:

Vance will send a card to Ken Smith on behalf of TxSWANA.

NEXT MEETING:

The next TxSWANA Board of Director's meeting will be held in Orlando, Florida, on Wednesday, August 24, 2015.

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 1:31 p.m.



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MEETING MINUTES

TXSWANA Annual Business Meeting

Dallas, TX

Friday, July 24, 2015 10:30 a.m. CST

Present: Vance Kemler, Morris Williams Jr., Brenda Haney, Frank Pugsley, Michael Rice, Hector Chavez, Paul Gosselink, Holly Holder

Phone: Ellen Smyth

Guests: Ty Embrey (phone), Matt Stutz (phone), Tyler Hurd, Risa Weinberger, Liza Bustamante, Jeff Reed, Adam Jochelson, Bill Hindman, Michael Carleton

Absent: David McCary, Lonnie Banks, Richard McHale, Lawrence Mikolajczyk, Bengy Williams, Jeff Mayfield, Harry Hayes

CALL TO ORDER: Michael Rice called the meeting to order at 10:50 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Brenda Haney to approve the minutes for the 2014 TxSWANA Annual Business Meeting. It was seconded by Holly Holder and the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The TxSWANA Annual Financial Report for fiscal year 2014-2015 was presented to the board. Balances of each account were \$216,633.39 for checking account, \$5,239.57 for savings account, \$17,244.55 for conference account, \$2,997.00 for the State Road-e-o account, and \$89,633.21 in the water balance account. Ellen Smyth made mention that there was a revision that needed to be made to the fiscal year that was listed on the report. A motion was made by Brenda to approve the report with the aforementioned revision and it was seconded by Holly. The motion passed unanimously.

CHAPTER BUSINESS:

2015 Election of Directors – Morris Williams Jr. reported that he had received 37 ballots and all were votes to approve the slate as presented on the ballot. Holly moved for approval of the slate as presented and Brenda seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Bylaw Review/Elections – Ellen briefly discussed the final bylaw revisions and presented them to the board for approval. Vance Kemler made a motion to adopt the revised bylaws and it was seconded by Morris. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.



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MEETING MINUTES

TXSWANA Board of Directors Meeting

Orlando, FL

Wednesday, August 26, 2015 3:00 p.m. EST

Present: Vance Kemler, Morris Williams Jr., Brenda Haney, Frank Pugsley, Harry Hayes, Richard McHale

Phone: Ellen Smyth, Lonnie Banks, David McCary, Lawrence Mikolajczyk, Michael Rice, Paul Gosselink, Catrennia Williamson, Jeff Mayfield

Guests: Kyle Foreman, Kevin Yard, David Biderman, Tyler Krueger, David Dugger, Rick White, Risa Weinberger, Sterling Kenyon, Jeff Reed (phone)

Absent: Bengy Williams, Holly Holder, Hector Chavez

CALL TO ORDER: Richard McHale called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

COMMENTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

David Biderman addressed TxSWANA and provided updates from SWANA. He first thanked the board members for their dedication and then discussed the membership of SWANA being up past 8,300 members. Mr. Biderman stated that SWANA had gained 142 new members from July 2014 to July 2015. He also spoke about the Young Professionals and the state-level chapters of SWANA identifying cities that do not have membership and reaching out to them to see why they are not members.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Brenda Haney to approve the minutes from the July Board meeting with revisions. It was seconded by Frank Pugsley and the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The financial report was presented for July 2015. Balances of each account were \$226,190.18 for checking account, \$30,245.46 for savings account, \$5,000.00 for conference account, \$7,594.08 for the State Road-e-o account, and \$4,333.21 in the water balance account. A motion was made by Vance Kemler to approve the July financial report and Brenda seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CHAPTER BUSINESS:

2015 Road-E-O – Harry Hayes reported that all accounting with the Road-E-O had been taken care of and there would be a transfer of \$8,409.23 back to the account. Brenda had some expenses that she had taken care of regarding the trophies and Harry made a motion to reimburse her expenses. Frank seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Brenda will submit an invoice for reimbursement.

2016 TxSWANA Conference (Corpus Christi) – Lawrence Mikolajczyk gave a brief update on the conference and he expressed the need to know the number of golfers that would participate in the Monday golf event. Ellen Smyth suggested that the number of 72 golfers be used since that is usually the number that participate. Richard expressed concern with the fishing event pulling individuals away from the golfing event. Brenda also discussed the fact that our state conference is immediately

following SWANApalooza and this may prevent David Biderman from attending our event as a keynote speaker.

Newsletter/Website – Michael Rice informed the board that he received a couple comments regarding the newsletter and he made the necessary corrections. He also stated that he wanted to include a section on the new board members to introduce them to the body. Michael stated that he would like to have a bio and a picture from both of the new members to place in the newsletter.

Legislative/Regulatory – Paul Gosselink reported on the proposed rulemaking and the tax credit extension. There was emails sent prior to the board meeting that went into detail on the contested case hearings comments and the proposed medical waste rules. Jeff Reed discussed the medical waste rules and at this point, there are no proposed rules. The board decided there would be no comment regarding medical waste and there would be no request for an extension at this time. Jeff also reported on the contested case hearing rules and there were some comments. He sent a memo to the board prior to the board meeting providing both the short summary of the changes from the TCEQ's Executive Summary and a detailed summary. Jeff will send the board a draft of the comments on the TCEQ's contested case hearings rule package prior to the September 18 board meeting.

IB Report – Brenda reiterated some of the points that David Biderman spoke about as some of the goals of SWANA and how they relate to TxSWANA. She also discussed some of the webinars as training opportunities for us to place on our website. TxSWANA may have to allocate some funds towards getting the certifications reviewed by TCEQ for them to be accepted as continuing education units (CEU) for training.

OTHER BUSINESS:

TCEQ MSW Management & Resource Recovery Advisory Council – Vance informed the board that the TCEQ will probably be updating the TAC 330 rules in portions instead of as a whole. There were two other items that may affect the Solid Waste industry: 1. The Republic case concerning whether temporary laborers are considered employees of the using entity or employees of the temporary agency. 2. The U.S. Department of Labor is increasing the minimum salary that an employee would be considered exempt to just over \$50,000. If an employee makes less than this amount, the employer will be required to pay overtime for any hours worked over 40.

The landfill management technical group invited a representative from SCS to discuss health and safety. Sterling Kenyon, with SCS Engineers, spoke to the board about health and safety and he solicited volunteer assistance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Hector Chavez was appointed interim city manager for the City of Eagle Pass.

ACTION ITEMS:

A letter of support was written for Holly Holder regarding the TCEQ MSW MRRAC.

NEXT MEETING:

The next TxSWANA Board of Director's meeting will be held in Houston, Texas, on Friday, September 18, 2015.

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 4:08 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.



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MEETING MINUTES

TXSWANA Board of Directors Meeting

Houston, TX

Friday, September 18, 2015 10:30 a.m. CST

Present: Jeff Mayfield, David McCary, Frank Pugsley, Richard McHale, Catrennia Williamson, Holly Holder, Michael Rice, Morris Williams Jr., Paul Gosselink

Phone: Ellen Smyth, Lonnie Banks, Vance Kemler, Hector Chavez, Elvira Alonzo

Guests: Derek Mebane, Matt Stutz (phone), Steve Francis, Josephine Valencia (phone)

Absent: Bengy Williams, Lawrence Mikolajczyk, Brenda Haney, Harry Hayes

CALL TO ORDER: David McCary called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m., Central Standard Time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Holly Holder to approve the minutes from the August Board meeting. It was seconded by Jeff Mayfield and the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The financial report was presented for August 2015. Balances of each account were \$214,538.08 for checking account, \$30,246.23 for savings account, \$5,000.00 for conference account, \$9,594.08 for the State Road-e-o account, and \$4,333.21 in the water balance account. A motion was made by Michael Rice to approve the August financial report and Frank Pugsley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Holly also made a motion to purchase Quickbooks as the accounting software that the TxSWANA treasurer would utilize. Michael seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

CHAPTER BUSINESS:

2015 Road-E-O – Derek Mebane reported that the reconciliation of the 2015 Road-E-O is almost complete. The amount that should be returned to TxSWANA is \$8,289.08.

2016 TxSWANA Conference (Corpus Christi) – Ellen Smyth provided the update for the 2016 conference and the golf and fishing events have been confirmed. Also, the networking event will take place on the USS Lexington. The hotel has been confirmed and there will be a call for papers. Holly volunteered to assist with the papers. We will continue to secure sponsors.

Newsletter/Website – Michael informed the board that the next newsletter will come out at the end of October. He also suggested that a "call for papers" be placed in the Fall newsletter. Michael stated there would be a section on the scholarship recipients and a legislative section.

Frank reported that the survey function was used on the website to garner interest for the upcoming conference activities. Also, an email blast was sent out for the newsletter.

Legislative/Regulatory – Paul Gosselink reminded the board that the medical waste rules do not apply to us and should not have an effect on us. There will be no comments.

Paul discussed the contested case hearing rules. The proposed comments were sent to the board and there were no responses or thoughts returned from the board.

Matt Stutz reported on the New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) rule and the emission guidelines rule as proposed rules. One is for new landfills and the other is for existing landfills. When the rules are finalized, they will look identical. Michael made a motion to establish two separate budgets for the comments on the NSPS/emission guidelines rules in the amounts of \$5,000 to Paul and \$7,000 to Matt. Holly seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The comments will be submitted to the board before the end of October for review and final approval.

Paul discussed the tax credit extensions have been extended for two years for renewable energy and alternative fuels. Landfill gas is the one thing that has a benefit to TxSWANA.

IB Report – Vance spoke about the power point that Brenda sent out to the board. He also reported that David Biderman, John Skinner, and Mary Beth Wojtaszek all attended the International Solid Waste Association (ISWA) conference. There was also talk of hosting the ISWA Conference in the Baltimore/D.C. area in 2017. He said there was nothing further to report.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Water Balance Project Update – Vance recommended that we extend the Water Balance contract to complete task #4. The final report will be distributed to the stakeholders after the contract date is extended. The TCEQ would like to add another stakeholder meeting to discuss the comments from the draft copy. Frank made a motion to extend the contract through next summer to August 15, 2016. Holly seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

SWANA National Training Opportunity – Joshephine Valencia with the City of San Antonio informed the board that she had been in contact with SWANA about the possibility of our chapter hosting certification course. The chapter would sign a contract with SWANA and agree to pay them a specified amount that is listed in the draft contract. Overall, the attendee would pay about \$750-800 to take the training course and examination. There are two proposed dates for the training: November 18, 2015 and December 10, 2015. Ms. Valencia also mentioned that the training would act as continuing education unit (CEU) credits towards any SWANA certifications but it would not be available for TCEQ CEUs in its current state. Ellen suggested that we change the classification from a training to a mid-year short course (conference) which would allow for TCEQ approval for CEUs.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No announcements.

ACTION ITEMS:

No action items.

NEXT MEETING:

The next TxSWANA Board of Director's meeting will be held in El Paso, Texas, on Friday, October 16, 2015.

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 12:07 p.m., Central Standard Time.



MEETING MINUTES

TXSWANA Board of Directors Meeting

El Paso, TX

Friday, October 16, 2015 10:30 a.m. MST

Present: Ellen Smyth, Holly Holder, Richard McHale, Frank Pugsley, Brenda Haney, Elvira Alonzo, Lawrence Mikolajczyk, Vance Kemler, Jeff Mayfield, Catrennia Williamson

Phone: Morris Williams Jr., Lonnie Banks, David McCary

Guests: Scott Pasternak, Nicholas Ybarra, Bill Hindman, Josephine Valencia (phone), Jeff Reed (phone), Matt Stutz (phone)

Absent: Bengy Williams, Harry Hayes, Hector Chavez, Michael Rice, Paul Gosselink

CALL TO ORDER: Ellen Smyth called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m., Mountain Standard Time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Holly Holder to approve the minutes from the September Board meeting. It was seconded by Richard McHale and the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The financial report was presented for September 2015. Balances of each account were \$202,885.98 for checking account, \$30,246.98 for savings account, \$7,042.00 for conference account, \$10,459.08 for the State Road-e-o account, and \$4,333.21 in the water balance account. A motion was made by Brenda Haney to approve the September financial report and Holly seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CHAPTER BUSINESS:

2015 Road-E-O – There was no report.

2016 Road-E-O – Vance Kemler reported that Denton would host the 2016 TxSWANA Road-E-O. Brenda made a motion to approve the location of the state road-e-o and Holly seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Future Road-E-O and Conference Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – Brenda and Lawrence Mikolajczyk will initiate the MOU's for the upcoming conference and road-e-o.

2016 TxSWANA Conference (Corpus Christi) – Lawrence reported on the 2016 TxSWANA Conference and the events; the theme will be "Clear Skies Ahead!" The activities and locations are confirmed and the conference will commence on April 10, 2016, and will conclude on April 13, 2016. Brenda made a motion to authorize the board to write two deposit checks for the upcoming conference. Jeff Mayfield seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Newsletter/Website – Frank reported that the newsletter should be finished by the end of October. There was nothing to report on the website.

Legislative/Regulatory – Jeff Reed updated the board on the Texas Disposal Systems (TDS) vs. Republic Services case in San Angelo. This particular case deals with a city's ability to offer an exclusive franchise to a particular entity. At this point, TDS has won the right in district court to continue construction waste services in San Angelo. Jeff said that he assumed Republic would appeal the decision.

The North Texas Municipal Water District Landfill received a letter from TCEQ saying that their coverage under the General Operating Permit was not valid, because it contained "alternative provisions," and that, because of a recent change to the GOP, alternative provisions could not be included. We asked if anyone else had received a similar letter, but no one had. This had potential impacts to all NSPS landfills, as all have similar provisions. The North Texas Municipal Water District Landfill convinced the TCEQ to reevaluate their decision, and they determined that the alternatives in the GOP were not actually alternative provisions, and therefore were acceptable.

Matt Stutz provided an update on the New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) rule and the emission guidelines rule as proposed rules. The approved comments from TxSWANA will be submitted on October 26, 2015, to the EPA for review. The final rule is expected in the summer of 2016.

IB Report – Brenda reported that SWANA is looking for new revenue sources. She asked the board to email any ideas or suggestions to her. SWANA has approved the Affinity Program, which allows the SWANA brand to be used for marketing. This is expected to be a revenue source. SWANApalooza is scheduled for April 6-9, 2016 in South Carolina.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Water Balance Project Update – (1:26) Vance Kemler reported that the contract extension has been submitted so that the report can be finalized. The contract has not been returned as of yet.

SWANA National Training Opportunity Update – Josephine Valencia provided an update on the national recycle training class to be hosted by (and in conjunction with) the City of San Antonio. There will be 18 hours of instruction. Josephine has reserved the space for at least 50 students and the fee will be no more than \$750 per student with that fee going down as the number of students increase. The accommodations for more students can be made if there is a great enough interest. The two potential dates are January 12-14, 2016, and February 2-4, 2016. Holly made a motion for David McCary (City of San Antonio) to proceed with partnering with SWANA to move forward with drafting a MOU for the national recycle class to be approved by the board. The motion was seconded by Vance and passed unanimously.

SWANA Senior Executive Seminar – Scott Pasternak provided an update on the SWANA Senior Executive Meeting, which will be hosted by SCS and the Arizona chapter on June 27, 2016.

SWANA Planning & Management Technical Division Update – Scott was elected to be the Vice Director of the Planning and Management Technical Division. He invited the board and any members of TxSWANA to be a part of the Planning and Management Committee. There is not a great time commitment as they conduct quarterly phone calls.

TRDI: Request for Letter of Recommendation – Ellen suggested that the board draft a letter of recommendation. Lawrence made a motion to draft a letter of recommendation and Brenda seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Frank Pugsley accepted a position with Parkhill Smith and Cooper.

ACTION ITEMS:

The 2016 meeting schedule is tentatively set as follows:

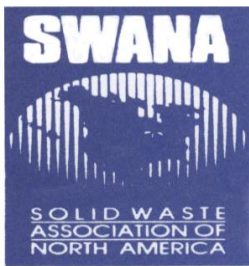
- January 15, 2016 – San Antonio
- February 19, 2016 – Irving
- March 11, 2016 – Dallas
- April 13, 2016 – Corpus Christi
- May 20, 2016 – Austin
- June 2016 – Denton (Road-E-O)
- July 22, 2016 – Austin
- August 24, 2016 – Indianapolis (WasteCon)
- September 16, 2016 – Lubbock
- October 21, 2016 – Austin
- November 18, 2016 – El Paso
- December 2016 – No meeting

NEXT MEETING:

The next TxSWANA Board of Director's meeting will be held in Dallas, Texas, on Friday, November 20, 2015.

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m., Mountain Standard Time.



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MEETING MINUTES

TXSWANA Board of Directors Meeting

Dallas, TX

Friday, November 20, 2015 10:30 a.m. CST

Present: David McCary, Morris Williams Jr., Lonnie Banks, Holly Holder, Richard McHale, Frank Pugsley, Brenda Haney, Elvira Alonzo, Hector Chavez, Vance Kemler, Jeff Mayfield, Catrennia Williamson, Michael Rice

Phone: Ellen Smyth, Lawrence Mikolajczyk, Harry Hayes, Paul Gosselink

Guests: Kyle Foreman, Brian Queen, Bill Hindman, Brian Waltenburg, Ty Embrey (phone), Josephine Valencia (phone)

Absent: Bengy Williams

CALL TO ORDER: David McCary called the meeting to order at 10:34 a.m., Central Standard Time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Brenda Haney to approve the minutes with revisions from the October Board meeting. It was seconded by Holly Holder and the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The financial report was presented for October 2015. Balances of each account were \$190,341.30 for checking account, \$30,247.75 for savings account, \$7,052.00 for conference account, \$9,885.08 for the State Road-e-o account, and \$15,833.21 in the water balance account. A motion was made by Harry Hayes to approve the October financial report and balance the State Road-e-o account to \$5,000.00 with the remaining funds of \$4,885.08 to be deposited to the main checking account. Brenda Haney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

CHAPTER BUSINESS:

2016 TxSWANA Conference (Corpus Christi) – Lawrence reported on the 2016 TxSWANA Conference and the events. The menu was presented to the board for final approval and there were no problems. Holly reported that the call for papers would go out in December.

2016 Road-E-O – Vance Kemler reported that the Road-E-O and banquet locations had been secured. There was no further information to report at this time and everything is going according to schedule.

Appointment of Safety Ambassador – David Vartian was appointed by Ellen to be the Safety Ambassador for TxSWANA. The appointment would be finalized when Mr. Vartian accepted the appointment.

Newsletter/Website – Michael Rice reported that the newsletter is complete and would be sent out. There were bios on the new board members with pictures included in the newsletter. Frank reported that the new dates for the meeting are on the website and the meeting minutes would be posted in 30 days.

Legislative/Regulatory – Paul Gosselink reported on the new ozone standard that may impact El Paso, San Antonio, and Bell County. Also, the contested case hearing rules (SB 709/SB 1267) are up for consideration on December 9, 2015. Paul stated that he anticipates some responses to our comments on the NSPS rules and whether we will want to comment further.

Ty Embrey provided the board with a summary of the Interim Charges for all of the Texas House Committees that was announced by Speaker Straus. Ty will monitor and alert the board to anything that we need to be concerned and/or involved with. An update was also provided on the contested case hearings and Ty will send the board comments dealing with the case. Ty offered the Texas legislature campaign schedule as follows: December 14, 2015 – deadline to file to run for office, March 1, 2016 – primary election, November 8, 2016 – general election.

IB Report – Brenda updated the board on the strategic plan of the international board and shared some of the highlights of the executive summary. SWANA has released an orientation manual for 2016.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Water Balance Project Update – Vance informed the board that he had received the draft report on November 19, 2015 and had not reviewed it. There was no further action taken.

SWANA National Training Opportunity Update – Josephine Valencia provided an update and shared the possible dates for the training: January 12-14, 2016 and February 2-4, 2016. She explained that it is a 2-day course with an exam and provided the board with additional information to review. Josephine submitted the proper form to TCEQ for the training to be approved. There was no further action taken.

Future Road-E-O and Conference MOU Update – Brenda informed the board that she has a meeting set up after the Thanksgiving holiday with the City of Denton staff. Frank reminded Brenda to remember to include website integration into the document. There was no action taken.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The TCEQ commissioners had their meeting this week and Holly Holder was reappointed for the Municipal Solid Waste Management and Resource Recovery Advisory Council. Also, Vance was appointed Advisory Council President of the council.

Paul reported that an email was sent out soliciting a response for "Giving Thanks" where Lloyd Gosselink will make a donation to a charity. He said that he would resend the email for any members that did not get it.

Bengy Williams will be submitting a letter of resignation to the board.

ACTION ITEMS:

The meeting minutes for 2015 to be completed and posted on the website by December 20, 2015.

NEXT MEETING:

The next TxSWANA Board of Director's meeting will be held in San Antonio, Texas, on Friday, January 15, 2016.

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m., Central Standard Time.