



NEVADA WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION  
 MONTHLY EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
 DRAFT Minutes – JUNE 18, 2008  
 Changes to Stephen Long



MINUTES

Monday, July 21, 2008 -11:30 am – 1:00 pm

North – SPB Utility Services  
 430 Stoker Avenue, #207  
 Reno, NV 89503  
 775-329-7757

South – MWH  
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**Conference Call # 1-888-742-8686 ID# 6579350**

Review and Approval of NWEA Board Meeting Minutes of June 18, 2008

Present

**North:** Linda Peterson, Gary Hutchison, Dwayne Smith, Stephen Long, Jennifer McMartin

**South:** Leslie Long, Angela MacKinnon, Dave James, Charles Trushel, Stephanie Stallsmith, Margaret Regan, Jill Christiano

1. Review and Approval of NWEA Board Meeting Minutes of June 18, 2008  
*Minutes approved by Leslie Long / 2<sup>nd</sup> Gary Hutchison*
2. Conference report – Wrap-up
  - a. – No report
3. Treasurer’s Report – Gary Hutchison
  - a. Conference Income \$ 23,000 - good Conference.
  - b. \$ 54,000.00 in the Black –
  - c. NWEA has made \$25,000.00 on the Capital One Account
  - d. Continue tax exempt status until 2013
  - e. Having the taxes done by an outside Tax Assessor - \$400.00
  - f.

Approval of Treasurer’s Report – Leslie Long Motioned and Quorum Approved.

4. Board Reports – Voting Officers  
 Past-President - Leslie Long and Dave James will be meeting with some people for the next Conference. They were looking at a May date for the Conference and trying to find a site in Las Vegas with sufficient room for an Equipment Show. **–On going**

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President, Linda Peterson – Action Item: Money for upgrading Web Site. Leslie Long made a motion to have Suey Huey get bids for an updated Web Site. Approved by quorum – **On going.**

President Elect - David James -  
 WEF Delegate – Dwayne Smith filling in for Rick Warner – No Report

PWO Representative, Charles Trushel – Working on survey

WEF PWO Delegate – Starlin Jones - Survey and looking for Judges for National Safety Event – **On going**

Secretary - Stephen Long – No report, need to get E-mail list complete for Members and Board members.

5. NWEA Operations Committee Reports  
 Certification Board, Bill Shepherd –  
 Jennifer McMartin/John Solvie

a. Jennifer McMartin reported 6 people had taken the computer on line exams. Next Certification Board Meeting will be held at TMWRF August 7<sup>th</sup>. At 9:00 am

Association of Boards of Certification, John Solvie – Jennifer gave Johns report. New standardized Grade I-IV ABC exams were developed at workshops the weekend of 7/12 in Minneapolis for Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator and Industrial Waste Operator (John participated in the IWO portion). The exams will replace Nevada’s TPO & IWO standardized exams in January 2009. For reference, ABC develops new standardized exams every two years.

Paul Krauth from Utah attended the TPO portion of the workshop and John mentioned to him how much everyone appreciated his participation during NWEA’s annual conference. He said he looks forward to continued involvement with NWEA in the future.

John will be participating in a Board Composition Task Force meeting in St. Louis the first weekend of August, where we will be developing new criteria regarding the makeup of ABC’s Board of Directors. Other major projects this year include a wholesale revision of ABC’s Bylaws and Policies and Procedures. It’s been a wild ride this year at ABC, all good and all benefiting Nevada.

Constitution & Bylaws - Dave James – No report

6. Services to Members and the Public –

Communications  
 Publications, Mark Briggs – No report

Website, Suey Huey –

Membership Development

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Membership ..... Northern NV – Stephen Long – No report  
 Southern NV – Thomas Rura

Young Professionals ..... Northern NV, Candice Siwarga  
 Southern NV, Hannah Wilner -

Angela MacKinnon – Presentations for Operators WPTF- Tentative date of August 19<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. Would like to use the 21<sup>st</sup>. Need to run them by John and Candice. Trying to get the Young Professionals involved with the NWEA/WEF. Building a template for others to use.

Professional Development and Continuing Education

Tri-State Conference, Bruce Dacko/Eric Leveque/Dave Ruegge – No report just everything is moving forward on the Information Table. Should advertise the NWEA Conference at Tri-State. Need a Vender List from Tri-State.

Circuit Rider, Linda Peterson/Starlin Jones-No Report  
 College of Southern Nevada, Bill Shepherd – No report  
 Professional Development, Northern NV, John Buzzone – No report

Southern Nevada – Margaret Regan – Looking for Topics / Ideals for future workshops/events. Possible Topic – Process Cost evaluations? Talk to Adrian Edwards about helping with Topics and workshops.

Public and K-12 Outreach

Public Education, Northern Nevada, Dave Bruketta – **Action Item: Need Membership partnership and will have to create a budget line amount..** Quorum talked about ways to get information out to the local schools- Elementary through University about the Water/Wastewater Profession. E-Week? As possible start.

Southern Nevada, Maria Stosich – No report  
 Stockholm Junior Water Prize, Maria Stosich, Jill Christiano  
 Water for People, Leisa Tucker – No report

Topical Committees

Safety Committee, Vacant

Collections Committee, Eric Strung, Stephanie Stallsmith, Kent Vian – Stephanie gave the report, Collection workshop scheduled August 6<sup>th</sup> and Linda was able to get Acteva up and running again. The committee is worried about the Cost of the class and may need to look at other ways to reduce costs. Jennifer will send the flyer out to everyone in Southern Nevada.

Jake Jacobson, Tom Rura – Will be replacing Eric Strung with new body.

Nonpoint Source Committee, Angela MacKinnon - Tri-State information table for Nonpoint Sources.

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- Reuse Committee, Gary Grinnell, Holly McNaught, Mary Carr Portillo  
 a) Reuse Nevada ..... Northern Nevada, Joe Maez  
 ..... Southern Nevada, Mary Carr Portillo –No report  
 b) Water Reuse Association, Nominee to be selected
- Cal/Nevada AWWA Liaison, Gary Grinnell – No report

7. Old Business – Completed the Signature cards for Treasurer and President.
8. New Business – Dave James informed the board about “Engineers without Borders” Student Chapter at UNLV and feels we should contact them and invite them to functions in the future.
9. Next Meeting Date            Proposed Date – Wednesday, September 17, 2008
- Proposed Locations            North – SPB Utility Services  
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10. Adjourned – 12:57 p.m.

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