March 30, 2018 AWRA Florida Section Board Meeting Minutes, SJRWMD, Palatka, FL

Attendance: see March 30 sign-in sheet on last page.

Minutes. The minutes for the February 2018 meeting were approved.

National news: The April GIS AWRA conference is in good shape.

Treasurer: Kellie presented the revised budget for 2018. Annual sponsorship was added as a line item. Meeting expenses were adjusted to remove the payment to Michael Grunwald from the expenses of the February meeting. A line item for Auditing was added, and Kellie has authorization from the board to hire an auditor with experience in non-profits for a cost up to \$500.

Education: There was discussion regarding the compensation for students traveling to conferences. After discussion, it was decided that the draft policy would be sent to Jeremy and that he would confer with Kristin to finalize the policy. Christine and Kristin will coordinate with Jeremy to send an e-mail to students announcing the availability of grant funding. A few applications have been sent in, but more will be coming after the announcement gets sent out.

Action Item: Christine and Kristin will make sure the e-mail gets sent out.

Web Site: A President's message was added to the web site.

Membership: We have 190 members as of this point. The mixer in the Jupiter was well attended (30 attended) and other Board members were encouraged to have one. The WPB mixer cost about \$162. We should get a RSVP in busy season as the 30 attendees overwhelmed the bar, which made it fun. Mark Diblin is going to arrange a mixer in Gainesville in May. **Action item: Board members and FL Section members are encouraged to set up another mixer.**

PDH Credits: PDH credits are available for the meeting. The form will be available at the registration table.

Future Meetings:

- 1. May Tampa or St. Petersburg Roger Copp, Walt Reigner, Randy Smith and Allison Lewis. Randy obtained SWFWMD offices for the meeting, and the agenda looks good. Sponsors will be put on the back of the agenda using the template developed for the March meeting.
- 2. August Key Largo Luna Phillips
 - a. August 2-3.
 - b. The Monroe County building is secured.
 - c. Kayak instead of snorkeling? Action item: Mark will contact Luna
 - d. Should we move the dinner to Thursday night or Lunch on Friday?
 - e. When do we announce the raffle winner? Should we have a Friday happy hour?
 - f. Ken Reid has been invited with free registration. Kristin Bennett and Tetra Tech will cover the cost of his dinner.
 - g. Maybe have someone from ENP/Dry Tortugas on the agenda.
- 3. September Lake Okeechobee area Sam Palermo. Gary Ritter has provide ideas on where to have the meeting.
- 4. November Tallahassee Christine Senne is looking into the Florida State College of Law as a location for this meeting. Action Item: Kellie and Jeremy will confirm that planning is underway.

Unfinished Business: Annual Sponsorship: A policy was approved, which is being finalized by Jeremy.

New Business:

Branding: Branding was discussed. We are going to put a template for the Agenda on the member section of the web with a spot for logos on the backside of the agenda. We will also add a standard ppt for the meeting display (Mark Diblin has this). **Action Item: Catherine Katsikis will do a quality control check of the documents.**

February Meeting Discussion: There was some concern about how the meeting was organized. Speakers were added to the agenda without consulting other members of the planning team, and some presenters did not keep to the time limits and were not well screened. Also, we need to keep politics out of the meeting. Due to these concerns, the Board decided to tell the organizers of the Southwest Florida Water Resources Conference that we may not be involved in 2019 and that we will decide on May 11.

Board Member Responsibilities: The issue of a membership drive was discussed. Referrals were mentioned as a way to get more members.

Board of Directors Comments: No comments were offered.

Members and/or Guest Comments: There were no guest comments.



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