

**MISSOURI SECTION
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
With
COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Date: March 29, 2006

Place: **Tan Tar A**
Lake Ozark, Missouri

ATTENDANCE:

Board Members:

John Betz	Chair
Karen Kelly	Chair-Elect
John Schilling	Vice-Chair
Roddy Rogers	Past Chair
Dave Visintainer	Director
Barry Kirchhoff	Secretary/Treasurer
Jeff Gard	3 rd Year Trustee
Tom Crowley	3 rd Year Trustee
Gail Lewis	2 nd Year Trustee
Jim Urfer	2 nd Year Trustee
Donna Mosley	1 st Year Trustee
Bruce Manning	1 st Year Trustee

Committee Chairs:

Tom Crowley	-	Annual Conference Management
Raed Armouti	-	Best Operator
Donna Mosley		Dr. Kramer Award
John Schilling	-	Exhibits
Tim Rajchart	-	Heroism
Dan Montgomery	-	Membership & Fuller Award
Ray Seidelman	-	Operator Meritorious
Diana Dohmen	-	Retired Members
John Brummer	-	Small Systems
Eric Stechmann	-	Young Professionals
Mike O'Connell		
Gailla Rogers	-	Administrative Manager

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m. John Betz Chair, welcomed all members that were present and had everyone in the group introduce themselves and indicate which office held or committee they served on.

Approval of minutes from April 8 Board Meetings –John Betz

The minutes of the January Board meeting were approved.

Director's Report – Dave Visintainer

Mr. Visintainer was present and reported that the tight financial circumstances of the past two years at AWWA National has turned around and that membership has taken an upturn as well. Attendance for the Annual Conference is up. He reported that National is working on initiatives such as Benchmarking, Certification issues and regulatory issues.

Mr. Visintainer indicated that this was his 3rd years as Director and he thanked the section for allowing him to serve as Director.

Mr. Stephen Burns, AWWA National representative thanked the Missouri Section for being a good host.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report – Barry Kirchhoff

Barry reported that the balance as of January 1, 2005 was \$122,858.37. Year to date income through December 31 was \$126,224.67. Year to date expenses: 126,682.58. Balance includes \$9,162.58 in Restricted Assets in the Scholarship Fund. Balance as of December 31, 2005 was \$122,400.46. He also reported that \$5,000 had been moved into a joint account for the upcoming MWEA conference.

MOTION: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the Treasurer's Report.

Chair's Report –John Betz

Mr. Betz reported that he wanted to buy some Idiot's Guide for Roberts' Rule of Order. An e-mail will go out regarding the upcoming Regional Officers meeting. Please let Gailla know if you are able to attend.

Administrative Manager's Report – Gailla Rogers

Gailla gave the deadline for the next newsletter deadline –April 14, 2006. Ms. Rogers also reported that attendance at this years' conference was 825.

Committee Reports-

Secretary/Treasurer – Kirchhoff

Annual Conference Management

Site Selection

Registration

Membership

Annual Conference Management- Tom Crowley

Tom Crowley was present and discussed how well the conference went.

Site Selection – Barry Kirchhoff

March 26-28, 2007 Joint Conference with MWEA at TanTarA

March 31-April 2, 2008 Joint Conference with MWEA at TanTarA

It was discussed that if the Missouri Section wanted to hold the 2009 separate from MWEA they needed to make a decision as to where, right after this conference. There will be discussion at the conclusion of the annual conference to determine how to proceed.

Registration – Barry Kirchhoff

825 in attendance at this year's conference

Membership – Dan Montgomery

Mr. Montgomery was present; no report

Assistant Secretary-Tom Miller

Newsletter

Advertising

Public Information

Web Master

Newsletter –Tom Miller

Mr. Miller was present; the newsletter deadline is April 14, 2006. Please get everything to Gailla so she can get the newsletter out.

Advertising – John Pruss

Mr. Pruss was not present; no report.

Public Information - Steve Cymerman

Mr. Cymerman was not present. No report

Chair Elect- Karen Kelly

Budget

Strategic Planning

Water Utility Council

Budget – John Betz

The Budget was approved at the Annual Meeting Monday, March 27, 2006

Strategic Planning – Karen Kelly

Ms. Kelly reported that there are five items on the Strategic Plan that she will be looking at.

Water Utility Council – Curt Skouby

Mr. Skouby was not present; no report. It was reported however, that he was attending the fifth annual Water Matters! Fly-In in Washington, D.C., on March 29-30, 2006.

Vice Chair- John Schilling

Technical Program

Exhibits

MAC

Technical Program – Karen Kelley

Ms. Kelley indicated that all the presentation went very well at this conference.

Exhibits – John Schilling

Mr. Schilling was present – He reported that 80 booths were sold – 75 exhibitors, \$70,500 in revenue was collected. The number for Springfield, last year's conference was \$27,000. The above proceeds will be split.

Manufacturer's/Assoc. Council – Mickey Bernard

No report.

Past Chair – Roddy Rogers

Nominations

Audit

J. R. Popalisky Scholarship

Nominations –Mike O'Connell

Mr. O'Connell was present, and indicated that the following slate of officers were approved at the Annual Meeting on Monday, March 27, 2006:

Slate of Officers

Chair	John Betz
Chair Elect	Karen Kelly
Vice Chair	John Schilling
Past Chair	Roddy Rogers
Secretary-Trea.	Barry Kirrchhoff
Asst. Secretary- Treas.	Tom Miller
3 rd Year Trustees:	Tom Crowley
	Jeff Gard
2 nd Year Trustees:	Gail Lewis
	Jim Urfer

1st Year Trustees: Donna Mosley
Bruce Manning

Director: Liz Grove

(The Directors' position ends at the Annual AWWA Conference in June. Ms. Grove will become the Missouri Section's Director at that time.)

Audit – Tom Miller

Mr. Miller reported at the Annual Meeting and at this Board Meeting that the financial books for the Missouri Section were audited and found to be in excellent condition.

J. R. Popalisky Scholarship – Chester Bender

Mr. Bender gave the following report:

Committee Activities

Scholarship information and applications were emailed to the following schools:

University of Missouri-Columbia, University of Missouri-Kansas City, University of Missouri-Rolla

University of Missouri-St. Louis, Missouri State University (SMSU), Truman State University

Southeast Missouri State University, Missouri Western University, Crowder College

Washington University, Central Missouri State, Northwest Missouri State, Drury College

Three applications were received, The applications were reviewed by Past-President Mike O'Connell and I on March 28th during the annual conference.

1. Based on our review, we recommend scholarships be granted to the following students:

Timothy Gramling II: He is a sophomore in the pre-engineering program at Southeast Missouri State University. He plans to transfer to the University of Missouri-Rolla beginning in January 2008 and study civil engineering with an emphasis in water supply.

Erin Hutchison: She is a junior in the Biology Department at Missouri State University. She is studying for a career in water quality management.

2. I will be preparing an article on the scholarship fund for the next newsletter.

Fundraising efforts:

Water for People and Scholarship fundraising totaled \$14,600: MoAWWA and MWEA will jointly contribute \$7,300 to Water for People and Mo AWWA will receive \$3,650 for their J. R. Popalisky scholarship and MWA will receive \$3,650 for their R. F. Layton Scholarship Fund.

Director – Dave Visintainer

Fuller Award

National Nominations

Water Industry Coordinating Council

Fuller Award – Dan Montgomery

Mr. Montgomery was present and as everyone is probably aware, this year's recipient of the George Warren Fuller Award is Holly Shorney-Darby.

National Awards – Barry Kirchoff

No report.

Water Industry Coordinating Council- Frank Pogge

No report.

3rd Year Trustee – Jeff Gard

Retired Members

Small Systems

Bylaws
Source Water Protection

Retired Members – Diana Dohmen

Ms. Diana Dohmen was present, and

Small Systems – John Brummer

Mr. Brummer reported that 250 operators had been trained since February through training with MWWC

Bylaws – John Parker

No report.

Source Water Protection – John Witherspoon

Mr. Witherspoon reported the following:

The members below will begin work on the organization and functionality of the Committee later this year. MO-AWWA will be able to provide guidance to members developing SWP Plans.

On the National level, the mock audit of the new Source Water Protection Standard has been completed this year at Washington County Service Authority in Abingdon, VA and will be performed at Birmingham, AL next week. We are waiting on the results from these audits and the Standard revision prior to initiating state efforts.

A Watershed Protection Seminar has been developed by John Witherspoon and Bill Ward of GeoSyntec for National AWWA. This year it will be presented in Olathe, KS, May 9-10. This seminar will focus more on local implementation and will include a working session on Source Water Assessments.

Some new presentation material from this effort can be utilized on the Section level. We will also be revising the seminar to include treatment and cost elements associated with the protection efforts. Dr. Witherspoon is giving a presentation on SWP at the June 5, 2006 Clean Water Forum meeting in Jefferson City.

3rd Year Trustee – Tom Crowley

Research
Diversity
Kramer Award

Research – Bruce Long

No report.

Diversity – Amy Ruggeri

No report.

Kramer Award – Donna Mosley

Ms. Mosley reported that a Dr. Kramer Award was not given out this year.

2nd Year Trustee – Gail Lewis

Student Activities
Education
Young Professionals

Student Activities – Tom Crowley

Mr. Crowley was present and indicated that the students were present to give their papers.

Education – Gail Lewis

Ms. Lewis reported on the preconference seminar.

Young Professionals – Eric Stechmann

There was Young Professionals event this year.

2nd Year Trustee – Jim Urfer

Water for People

Landmark

Gimmicks & Gadgets

Water for People – Leo Ebel

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Landmark – Matt McLaughlin

No report.

Gimmicks and Gadgets – Bob Nelson

No report.

1st Year Trustee – Bruce Manning

Operator Meritorious

Safety

Tenure of Service

Heroism

Operator Meritorious – Ray Seidelman

Mr. Seidelman was present and the Operator Meritorious was given this year to Jay Bettis from Holt, Missouri. Mr. Bettis is the Superintendent for Water and Wastewater for the City of Kearney, Missouri.

Safety – Dan Minor

Mr. Minor was not present. No Safety Award were given out this year.

Tenure of Service – Bill Clarke

Mr. Clarke indicated that the following people were to receive Tenure of Service Awards:

John Schilling, 32 years in Missouri Water industry, 24 years in AWWA

Gary Thornhill, 30 years in Missouri water industry, 29 years in AWWA

Don Rea, 30 years in Missouri water industry, 19 years in AWWA

Jay Bettis, 29 years in Missouri water industry, 15 years in AWWA

Tim Rajchart 27 years in Missouri water industry, 19 years in AWWA

C. Ted Turney 26 years in Missouri water industry, 26 years in AWWA

Heroism – Tim Rajchart

Mr. Rajchart was present; no report.

1st Year Trustee – Donna Mosley

Drinking Water Week

Boyd Award

Best Operator

Drinking Water Week – Susan Bloomer

Mrs. Bloomer was not present; no report.

Boyd Award – Liz Grove

Dan Montgomery received the Donald R. Boyd Award this year.

Best Operator: Raed Armouti

Mr. Armouti was present and gave the following report:

Best Operator of the Year: Well Supply Utility – Stanley Barr. Mr. Barr is the plant manager/chief operator for the Ray County Public Water District Water Treatment Plant, Ray County, Missouri.

Best Operator of the Year : Survey Supply Utility: Elmer Wright of the City of Archie, Missouri. Mr. Wright is the plant supervisor and only licensed operator at the plant.

Other Business: There was no further business to discuss. The group adjourned at 8:45

Submitted for additions and/or corrections.

Barry Kirchhoff - Secretary Treasurer