



Missouri Section

American Water Works Association

MISSOURI SECTION AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION 2021 Annual Business Meeting

Friday, April 16, 2021

8:30 am – 9:00 am

Virtual Format Due to Pandemic

Minutes

Due to the rescheduling of this year's conference, the Annual Meeting was held virtually. Mary Odom, Administrative Manager went over housekeeping items. She gave instructions for GoToWebinar platform and described how to use the features. She instructed, if you want to speak or share your thoughts, please use the "Raise your hand" feature and she would unmute you to speak. The 2nd way to participate is to send your questions/comments in the Questions Chat box.

Call to Order – Chair Joel Ogle

Chair Ogle brought the meeting to order and thanked everyone for joining and attending the section's virtual annual business meeting. Although we wish we were meeting in person, there are signs of society beginning to open up again. And we are hopeful to meet in person again soon.

Introduction of AWWA Visiting Officer – Chair Joel Ogle

Chair Ogle introduced Elizabeth Carter, P.E., PMP is the current Vice President of AWWA. Elizabeth is Principal Engineer at Aurora Water in Aurora, Colorado. With over 30 years of experience in the water industry, Elizabeth has been an active member of AWWA since 2004.

Elizabeth has many years of involvement at the Section level, starting as Small Systems Committee Chair in 2004, and after holding several leadership positions, she became Chair of the Rocky Mountain Section in 2011. She was honored with AWWA's George Warren Fuller Award in 2016 and received the Rocky Mountain Section's Lyle D Herman Award for Distinguished Service in 2013. On the Association level, she is serving on the Board of Directors as the Rocky Mountain Section Director and Vice President. She is also a member of the Project Management Institute.

Elizabeth holds a BS degree in Civil Engineering from Texas A&M University and 30 credit hours towards a Master's of Science Program in Water Quality from the University of Colorado. She is also a licensed Professional Engineer (P.E.) in the State of Colorado and a certified Project Management Professional.

Remarks from Visiting Officer, Elizabeth Carter, AWWA Vice President

Ms. Carter expressed gratitude for being invited to install the new Section officers and also offered congratulations to Bob Parks for being selected as one of AWWA's "5

Under 35 Young Professionals” for 2021! Ms. Carter sits on the Young Professional Committee for AWWA, and she is honored to recognize Bob Parks as one of the movers and shakers in the Association.

Approval of the Minutes from Last Year’s Business Meeting Minutes

Chair Ogle entertained a motion to approve the Minutes from the previous Annual Meeting (2020).

MOTION: To approve the April 17, 2020 Annual Business Meeting Minutes.

Made by: Mike Klender

Seconded by: Tony O’Malley

Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Secretary-Treasurer’s Report – Tony O’Malley

The balance sheet was presented. (see below) Due to the conference, our revenue is down. However, expenses were also down, so the bottom line could be a lot worse. Our membership has remained strong due to the renewals of our members.

Our CDs are not earning much, but it is a secure vehicle. Our other investments are invested conservatively.

Total Assets. \$303,537.76 with liabilities of \$1,090.00 and Equity of \$302,447.76

There were no questions and the Secretary-Treasurer’s report was accepted as given.

Missouri Section, Inc. of the American Water Works

Balance Sheet
As of April 11, 2021

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
0298 Commerce MM	0.00
101 Bank of America Checking #0351	110,789.28
102 Bank of America Savings - Scholarship	2,569.09
103 Morgan Stanley - Scholarship	140,725.38
104 Bank of America CDs	49,454.01
7730 Commerce MM-scholarship	0.00
Total Bank Accounts	\$303,537.76
Total Current Assets	\$303,537.76
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LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Credit Cards	
201 Bank of America - Corp Acct Bus Adv Cash Rewards CC #0112	0.00
201-01 CC #7915 issued to Tony O'Malley	30.29
201-02 CC #1882 issued to Nick Davis	143.98
201-03 CC #6732 issued to Mary Odom	915.73
201-04 CC #9938 issued to Galita Rogers	0.00
Total 201 Bank of America - Corp Acct Bus Adv Cash Rewards CC #0112	1,090.00
Commerce Card	0.00
Total Credit Cards	\$1,090.00
Total Current Liabilities	\$1,090.00
Total Liabilities	\$1,090.00
Equity	
250 Opening Balance Equity	0.00
260 Retained Earnings	260,585.51
261 Unrealized Gain/Loss	25,158.55
Net Income	16,703.70
Total Equity	\$302,447.76
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$303,537.76

This next portion of information was not given at the online meeting, but for consistency, we want to show this historic information.

2020 Annual Meeting Revenue	Cancelled
2019 Annual Meeting Revenue	\$316,682.60
2018 Annual Meeting Revenue	\$290,615.75
2017 Annual Meeting Revenue	\$223,614
2016 Annual Meeting Revenue	\$228,715
2015 Annual Meeting Revenue	\$230,287
2014 Annual Meeting Revenue	\$223,329
2013 Annual Meeting Revenue	\$228,699
2012 Annual Meeting Revenue	\$227,890

2011 Annual Meeting Revenue	\$215,050
2010 Annual Meeting Revenue	\$213,420
2009 Annual Meeting Revenue	\$204,590
2008 Annual Meeting Revenue	\$198,760
2007 Annual Meeting Revenue	\$189,887
2006 Annual Meeting Revenue	\$188,403

2020 Net MO-AWWA Conference Profit	Cancelled
2019 Net MO-AWWA Conference Profit	\$60,000
2018 Net MO-AWWA Conference Profit	\$46,300
2017 Net MO-AWWA Conference	\$31,000
2016 Net MO-AWWA Conference	\$37,000
2015 Net MO-AWWA Conference	\$26,000
2014 Conference	\$22,000
2013 Conference	\$31,000
2012 Conference	\$32,000
2011 Conference	\$16,600
2010 Conference	\$18,280
2009 Conference	\$10,500
2008 Conference	\$23,200
2007 Conference	\$21,577
2006 Conference	\$23,752

Conference 2020 Water for People Income	Cancelled
2019 WFP	\$37,667
2018 WFP	\$37,200
2017 WFP	\$24,090
2016 WFP	\$15,751
2015 WFP	\$20,807
2014 WFP	\$11,000
2013 WFP	\$11,340
2012 WFP	\$10,391
2011 WFP	\$10,881
2010 WFP	\$ 6,113
2009 WFP	\$ 6,001

Total 2019 Water for People Breakdown	
Golf Tournament	\$ 7,290
Opening Session Raffle	\$ 900
Monday Silent Auction	\$ 3,120
Cornhole	\$ 420
Tuesday Silent Auction	\$ 2,825
Raffle	\$ 2,040
Oral Auction	\$10,225
Donations	\$10,847
	\$37,667

Budget Approval – Chair Elect Mike Klender

Chair Elect Klender presented the Budget which was sent to attendees previously. We have tried to be hopeful on getting back to normal and anticipating that the conference will take place in person in August. On line one, the AWWA allotment is higher than normal because we received 2 payments last year. Total receipts anticipated are just over \$71,000, with total expenses of \$101,750 – going into the negative. The bottom line is negative \$30,350. We are conservatively estimating revenue from the in-person conference which will be a lower attendance this year.

Mr. Klender asked if there were any question on the Budget. Chair Ogle commented that we have submitted the insurance claim for last year's conference. It is very favorable that we will receive a significant amount of the funds, but it may not be as much as we have netted in previous years. There was no other discussion.

MOTION: To approve proposed budget as presented.

Made by: Budget Committee

Seconded by: Bob Parks

Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Chair Ogle passed the meeting to Bob Park, Annual Conference Management.

Annual Conference Management - Bob Parks

As you know, the 2021 annual meeting has been postponed from late March to August 8-11. Earlier this year, our conference partners (MWEA) met with us and made the decision to change the dates so that we could hold an in person conference. It will be a new experience working with the venue, making adjustments due to the pandemic. We are starting to work on the details now. It will look a little different this year especially that it will be hot with no chance of snow.

Chair Ogle added that we have a meeting on April 23rd with the Joint Conference Planning Committee to discuss what registration will look like, the technical sessions, and the exhibit hall. We are looking forward to seeing everyone in August.

Election of Officers – Chair Joel Ogle

Chair Ogle read the slate of officers and the formal report is shown below. He did indicate if there were any nominations from the floor to please type that in the chat box. He allowed a minute or two for any nominations from the floor. There was no discussion or nominations.

OFFICER NOMINATING COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022 SLATE OF OFFICERS

The Officer Nominating Committee corresponded in January and identified a number of candidates suitable to fill three positions. My committee was composed of three past-chairs of the organization. Jeff Clarke contacted the nominees to confirm acceptance of the position. The Secretary Treasurer and Assistant Secretary Treasurer positions will not be changing this year. The committee brings forth the following candidates for consideration by the general membership for the election of officers to be conducted electronically during the spring of 2021:

2021-2022 SLATE OF OFFICERS:

Chair: Mike Klender (Automatic Nominee)

Chair Elect: Jenny Doyle (Automatic Nominee)

Vice Chair: Bob Parks (Nominee)

Secretary Treasurer: Tony O'Malley (Incumbent)

Assistant Secretary Treasurer: Nick Davis (Incumbent)

Director: Randy Moore (Automatic Nominee)

Third Year Trustee: Scott Phillips (Incumbent)
Third Year Trustee: Corinne Duckworth (Incumbent)
Second Year Trustee: James Okumu (Incumbent)
Second Year Trustee: Karen Dietze (Incumbent)
First Year Trustee: Mel Peterein (Nominee)
First Year Trustee: Kevin Wiggins (Nominee)
Past Chair: Joel Ogle (Automatic Nominee)

Chair: Jeff Clarke, Members: Drew Hess and John Brummer

MOTION: To approve the slate of candidates as presented.

Made by: Nominating Committee

Seconded by: Mike Klender

Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Chair Ogle indicated we will consider all officers are duly elected.

Recognition of Outgoing Officers – Scott Phillips

Scott Phillips mentioned that we would like to recognize the volunteers that are moving off of the board this year. First is our Past Past Chair Jeff Clarke who served as Chair 2019-20. Joel Ogle has done as good a job as possible this year with the cards we've were dealt during the pandemic. Next is Roddy Rogers who is rotating off as Director, who has provided tireless service for the section for many years. Third year Trustees: Mike Galluzzo and Bob Parks have both served the last 3 years with dedication and enthusiasm. Mike will be missed on the board, but will continue his service a chair of the Water Utility Council. Bob Parks will continue his board service as Vice Chair.

Installation of Officers – Ms. Elizabeth Carter

On a personal note, Roddy Rogers has served the Section and the Board honorably and humbly. She has enjoyed working with him over the past 3 years. And congratulations to Randy Moore for being elected as Section Director. I always think of "innovation" whenever I think of Randy Moore. I look forward to working with you.

"You have been chosen to fill the various offices of the Missouri Section. Always remember that the welfare and success of this section depend upon you. You will be our voice for the Missouri Section - American Water Works Association and represent to the citizens of Missouri the mission of AWWA - The promotion of public health and welfare by assuring drinking water of unquestionable quality and sufficient quantity. As leaders for the drinking water profession, you must be an effective instrument of change by advancing the technology, science and governmental policies relative to the public drinking water profession's role in stewardship of water resources. We must be examples in which people may have confidence, that they may learn that they can depend on us in matters affecting their health, safety and welfare.

Please raise your right hand virtually and repeat after me". *Mary un-muted the officers so we could hear their affirmation*

"I promise to perform faithfully all the duties of the office to which I have been elected by the members of the Missouri Section. THANK YOU!

DIRECTOR--You shall represent the Missouri Section at the national level and shall represent national and Missouri in the deliberations of the other and shall act to coordinate and unify their actions.

Director-Elect--You shall represent the Section at the national level, and mentor under the current Director until such time as you are installed as the Section's Director at next year's Annual Conference and Exposition.

TRUSTEES--You shall take part in all actions of the Board and act as a liaison between the Board and the committees you are given responsibility for by your chair.

SECRETARY-TREASURER--Your office is one of trust. You are responsible for the payment of our obligations and collection of monies due. You shall attend all meetings and duly record the proceedings thereof. Guard well your trust!

ASSISTANT SECRETARY-TREASURER--You shall perform the duties of the Secretary-Treasurer when absent and assist whenever needed.

VICE CHAIR--You will be responsible for the program of our annual conference.

CHAIR ELECT--To you is given the active cooperation with the Chair for whatever is required. In the absence of the Chair, you will be prepared to assume the duties of the Chair.

CHAIR--Great trust has been reposed in you for your election to the highest office of this section. To you is entrusted the supervision of the duties of all officers. To you is entrusted the responsibility for the success of the year's program. As you assume your duties as Chair, I charge you to carry the obligation that is yours, and to uphold the mission of the AWWA.

I congratulate this section upon the officers you have chosen. At this point, we would usually ask you the members of the section to stand – today will you do so virtually?

You have heard the pledge of your officers' elect. Unless they have your wholehearted support, they will not be able to fulfill the pledge so faithfully given. Do you therefore promise to support these, your officers, as they guide this section through the coming year? Will you assist them whenever you are called upon for help in undertaking the various activities they plan? Will you encourage and advise them and refrain from unjust criticism of their plans and actions? If so, please respond to the poll?

Poll Vote: “Do you therefore promise to support these, your officers, as they guide this Section through the coming year?”

Vote Results: Unanimous Support

Ms. Elizabeth Carter: Let these mutual pledges be your commitments that the Missouri Section - American Water Works Association, may be an increasingly greater force for the wellbeing of all Americans. Ladies and Gentlemen -- here are your new officers!

Passing of the Gavel:

Will Chair Ogle now present the gavel to the new Chair Mike Klender, thereby symbolically transferring authority and responsibility for leadership to your new officers?

OUTGOING CHAIR – Joel Ogle

I know Mike Klender will do well this year with all of the support that you have around you. It may be a little rough at the start knowing that we are still in the midst of a pandemic. But I have full faith in you and know that you will have the full support of those around. Thank you for taking on this role, and I wish you good luck.

JOEL: To you as new Chair of the Missouri Section - American Water Works Association, I will “virtually” pass this gavel over to you. It is your symbol of authority. May you use it with discretion in the best interest of this section.

INCOMING CHAIR COMMENTS – Mike Klender

Thanks Joel. I have some big shoes to fill. As Scott said before, you have had a very emotional, hard year. You have kept everyone together which is awesome, and is a testament to the members’ support and the board’s leadership. I really appreciate you and will be leaning on you from time to time to help me avoid trip-ups that I might have. I also expect assistance from my board to help me during times that I might not be available due to my responsibilities at the water plant.

My vision for the Section is to get back to normal and having in-person meetings. I’d love to see the smaller utilities get involved with AWWA. I’d like to get more recognition for the essential nature of water utilities and workers.

Thank you, Elizabeth for taking time out to be part of this event. I hope to see each other in person very soon.

Adjourn

Chair Klender entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded by Tony O’Malley. Opened for discussion. There was no discussion.

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting
Made by: Joel Ogle
Seconded by: Scott Phillips
Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Chair Klender announced that the Quarterly Board Meeting would begin in 5 minutes. The meeting formally adjourned at 9:05 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Odom, CAE
Administrative Manager