

**IOWA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
January 14 &15, 2005**

The minutes of the Iowa Water Pollution Control Association Executive Committee Meeting, held at the Hotel at Gateway Center, in Ames, Iowa, on January 14 and 15, 2005.

ITEM I: CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President, Carla Schumacher, at 9:18 a.m., with the following Executive Committee members present: Jay Brady, Steve Moehlmann, Dave Rotschafer, Gary Schellhorn, Dave Elias, Hank Pangelina, Tim Snyder, Carla Schumacher, Charles Stevens and John Ringelestein. Also present were: Maryann Ryan, Jim McElvogue, Jim Utter, Terry Parker, Mark McGuire, Jim Rasmussen, Mary Skopec, Edward Askew, E.R. Baumann, Lynn Pitts and Steve Jones.

ITEM II: AGENDA

A. Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Dave Rotschafer, and seconded by Tim Snyder, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

B. Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Steve Moehlmann, and seconded by Dave Rotschafer, to approve the minutes of November 16, 2004, as printed. Motion carried.

C. Treasurer's Report

The Secretary/Treasurer distributed balance sheets taken on January 1, 2004, and December 31, 2004. The Secretary-Treasurer discussed the changes in the balance sheet items. Short course income of \$10,000+ was received in late December for the spring and fall short courses. Assets are up almost \$5,000 for the year 2004. Income for the annual meeting including the spouse program was \$8,558.12. Very little activity has occurred since the first of the year. Newsletter billings have been sent out for 2005. It was moved by Steve Moehlmann, and seconded by Jay Brady, to approve the report of the treasurer as presented. Motion carried.

E. Budget (preliminary)

The Secretary/Treasurer distributed a draft budget for review. Each budget item was reviewed. The Sec./Treas. discussed the differences from the previous year's budget.

D. Directors' Report

Charlie Stevens reported information had been received concerning the WEFMAX meetings for 2005.

F. IEC Lobby Day/Development of Position Statements

The Executive Committee discussed the possible participation of the IWPCA in a

legislative lobby day at the statehouse. Our position could and probably would be distinctly different from the IEC position. After discussion, it was moved by Gary Schellhorn, and seconded by Dave Rotschafer, that the IWPCA not be involved in the IEC legislative day. Motion carried.

G. IDNR/IWPCA Meeting Update on WQ Standards

Carla Schumacher and Dave Rotschafer met with Adam Schister and Chuck Correll of the IDNR. Carla reviewed the situation and the process IDNR is using. Dave reviewed the general use stream designation and protected flows. The Clean Water Act assumes all streams to be fishable and swimmable unless shown otherwise. IDNR's practice has been to assume streams are not fishable and swimmable unless shown otherwise.

J. Quality Assurance Plan for Monitoring of Point Source Outfalls and Receiving Streams for Nutrients, Common Ions and Total Dissolved Solids.

Dr. Ed Askew reviewed the Quality Assurance Project Plan. Dr. Robert Baumann reviewed the anti-degradation definitions, sampling program and sampling point participants. Dr. Mary Skopec thanked the IWPCA for meeting with them and for the IWPCA's participation in this project. After discussion, Jay Brady moved, and seconded by Charlie Stevens, to authorize the IWPCA President to sign the Quality Assurance Plan after all parties involved have reviewed it. Motion carried.

The meeting was recessed at 12:22 PM.

The meeting reconvened at 1:34 PM.

H. List Service

This item will be discussed during the retreat.

I. Lobbyist

This item will be discussed during the retreat.

K. 2005 WEFMAX Meetings

The committee discussed the locations and who should attend the meetings. Further discussion will be held during the retreat and budget discussion.

L. Update on Pretreatment Training Workshop

Dr. Askew is in the exploratory stage about interest from WEF in holding a pretreatment workshop in Iowa. If anything develops, it will be brought to the Executive Committee.

M. Other Items

The Great Plains Design Conference will be held on April 13 and 14 in Council Bluffs. IWPCA has received a request for any speakers interested in giving talks. Carla Schumacher will be presiding at one of the Thursday sessions.

Due to time constraints, Ed Brinton has resigned as chair of the Membership Committee.

Any ideas or suggestions for a chair nominee would be appreciated.

Charlie Stevens reviewed the situation on the WET test method. Due to difficulties and deficiencies in the current method, a lawsuit was filed to throw out the present method. It was denied by the judge, so there is a movement to generate support for an appeal. IWPCA has been asked to file a friend of the court brief to support the appeal. After discussion, it was moved by Dave Elias, and seconded by Gary Schellhorn, to authorize the Government Affairs committee to expend up to a maximum of \$1500 to file a friend of the court brief (amicus) using funds from the John Hall Project. Hank Pangelina offered a friendly amendment to fund the filing from the General Fund, which was accepted. After discussion, motion carried.

A company that wants to provide on-line registration for conferences and meetings of the Association contacted the Secretary/Treasurer. The cost would be 7% of the registration fees. Due to the cost and lack of interest at this point, this offer will not be pursued.

The meeting was recessed at 2:21 PM.

The meeting was reconvened at 11:45 AM on January 15, 2005.

After discussion of the Iowa-only membership fee, it was moved by Tim Snyder, and seconded by Hank Pangelina, to set the Iowa-only membership fee at \$24/year. Motion carried.

The Executive Committee reviewed the budget, which had been developed during the retreat. It was moved by Jay Brady, and seconded by Dave Elias, to approve the budget as proposed and revised. Motion carried.

ITEM III: ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Dave Rotschafer, and seconded by Jay Brady, to adjourn the meeting. President Schumacher declared the meeting adjourned at 12:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

John W. Ringlestein,
Secretary-Treasurer