

***IOWA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
November 9, 2007***

The minutes of the Iowa Water Pollution Control Association Executive Committee Meeting, held at the Ames Water Pollution Control Plant in Ames, Iowa on November 9, 2007.

ITEM I: CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President, Paul Nolan, at 10:06 a.m., with the following Executive Committee members present: Jay Brady, Jim McElvogue, Gary Schellhorn, Paul Nolan, Kevin Moler, Dennis White, Chuck Pietscher, Michael Tripp, Tim Snyder and John Ringlestein. Also present were: Po-Heng Lee and Bob Main.

ITEM II: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Kevin Moler, and seconded by Michael Tripp, to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.

ITEM III: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Jay Brady, and seconded by Dennis White, to approve the minutes of September 7, 2007 conditional to filling in the blanks for motions and seconds. Motion carried. The Executive Committee noted that the actions taken were correct; the blanks concerned only the inability to distinguish the people making the motion and seconding the motion.

ITEM IV: OFFICERS' REPORTS

A. Secretary/Treasurer

The Secretary/Treasurer distributed balance sheets taken on January 1, 2007, and November 8, 2007. Total assets are up \$5,690.96. Most of the accounts have increased by interest only. The Operations Account is up \$8,045.64 for the year and the Region Checking Account is up \$2,965.77 for the year. The Newsletter account is down \$9,024.29 and also has had a loan of \$2,000 from the Operation Reserve. The Newsletter has had 3 issues this year and will resume billing in 2008. The loan will be repaid at that time. It was moved by Chuck Pietscher, and seconded by Kevin Moler, to approve the report of the Secretary/Treasurer. Motion carried.

ITEM VI: COMMITTEE REPORTS

L. ISU Water Quality Club

Po-Heng Lee, President of the ISU Water Quality Club, thanked the IWPCA for the contribution of \$1,000 to support the attendance of Club members to WEFTEC. Four students attended WEFTEC and made a presentation in the student design paper competition. The Club requested a presentation from a representative of the IWPCA at a future Club meeting to discuss the mission of the Association. Next week the Club will be making presentations to fifth grade students. Paul Nolan invited the Club to send a representative to the retreat in January.

ITEM IV: OFFICERS' REPORTS (continued)

B. Directors' Report

Gary Schellhorn reported Adam Sabinski was installed as the president of WEF at WEFTEC. Paul Freedman was installed as vice-president. The House of Delegates is still in the process of searching for direction. Several focus groups are looking at various areas to recommend policies and procedures for the House of Delegates. A chair for this year was named and an incoming chair for next year was selected. The Executive Committee discussed the WEFMAX meetings for 2008. WEF budget was approved at WEFTEC. WEF has experienced several problems with member renewals. WEF continues to discuss relationships with other organizations. The House of Delegates discussed WEFTEC rotation between Chicago and New Orleans. A majority of the House of Delegates does not favor the two-city rotation but evidently the decision is made elsewhere. The Committee discussed the IWPCA lapel pins, which we had several years ago. It was moved by Dennis White, and seconded by Gary Schellhorn, to authorize the president and secretary/treasurer to look into getting more pins produced. Motion carried. Paul Nolan reported he had attended several sessions during Leadership Day at WEFTEC and encouraged the incoming officers to attend the Leadership Day during WEFTEC.

C. Regional Directors

Region 1: Dennis White reported Region 1 held their fall meeting on October 24 with 120 people in attendance. Tim Angell of New Hampton was the recipient of the region's Operator of the Year award. The morning program focused on UAAs in the morning and disinfection and blending options in the afternoon. Handouts for the attendees were little maglites.

Region 4: Michael Tripp reported their spring meeting will be in Corning on the first Friday in April. The program will focus on wastewater reclamation and reuse.

Region 5: Bob Main reported the Region 5 meeting was held in Newton on October 31 with approximately 50 people in attendance. The spring meeting is scheduled for the last Wednesday in March in Newton.

Region 6: Chuck Pietscher reported Region 6 does not have a fall meeting and will hold their next meeting in the spring.

The Executive Committee discussed membership discounts for attendees at the regional meetings.

D. Correspondence

- a. The IWPCA received a letter from Charlie Stevens thanking the Association for the opportunity to serve as a delegate to WEF for the past three years and for the opportunity to serve and chair several committees while he was here in Iowa. He looks forward to continuing to work with the IWPCA as he continues his career with the Rocky Mountain Association.
- b. A letter was received from Water for People thanking the Association for the contribution of \$1,967.93. The donation was raised through the effort of the Harris and Bob cup at the annual meeting.

ITEM VI: COMMITTEE REPORTS (continued)

A. Aims and Objectives

Bob Main, new committee chair, reported the committee is anxious to get busy on any assignments. The Executive Committee replied the Constitution and Bylaws need to be brought current.

C. Biosolids

Steve Troyer, chair, filed a written report. The committee requests that Paul Nolan as president contact Rich Leopold, IDNR Director, to speak at the Biosolids Conference in March. The committee would like Executive Committee approval to invite the IDNR regional administrators to attend the Biosolids Conference free of charge. Iowa's gift law for state employees does not permit this act. Perhaps the regional administrators could participate as part of the program.

E. Education

Bob Main reported the Education Committee will be meeting next Friday at the IDNR Region 5 office to begin planning for the spring short course. Bob discussed the problems with CEUs from the annual meeting and the industrial pretreatment conference not appearing on the IDNR website for operators. Apparently Kirkwood is not sending the reports to the state as they said they were. Hopefully things will improve after the recent discussions with Kirkwood. The situation will also be brought to the attention of the operator certification committee.

J. Historian

The current historian is no longer a member of the Association. A replacement is needed.

P. Membership

The last membership list for Iowa had 497 members. With the problems WEF has with maintaining membership records and renewals, the number may not be accurate. An article on membership for the League's "Cityscape" newsletter was discussed.

Q. Newsletter

Jay Brady reported there will be another issue out before Christmas.

S. Operator Certification

Jim McElvogue reported the committee is working on the plant reclassification issue.

T. Program

Tim Snyder reported the committee met yesterday. The program is going to focus on ways to meet the changes coming up in the discharge standards. Seventy five per cent of the program has been penciled in. The next meeting is scheduled for December 10. Charlie Stevens will be making a presentation on the "Water is Life" program.

U. Public Relations/Public Education

Jim McElvogue reported the committee is working on a Power Point presentation that can be used at the next WEFMAX meetings. Their next meeting is scheduled on January 4, 2008.

X. Water for People

Bob Main reported the committee is working on the next Mexico trip. Bob and Keith Hobson will be going to Mexico to work on the project in March. Bob briefly discussed the project.

H. Government Affairs

Notes from the meeting of the Executive Committee/Government Affairs meeting were distributed for review. The committee discussed the next step to take and the priorities. Position papers need to be generated for the following priorities and suggested authors: Chloride Standards – Greg Sindt, CSO/SSO – Gary Schellhorn, Nutrient Standards – Jim Reynolds, Antidegradation –

Jay Brady, and Affordability – Ted Payseur. The committee discussed setting up a meeting with Rich Leopold to discuss items such as where we are, water quality is our career, want to work with IDNR, we want to help educate, and the apparent distrust between the IDNR and the IWPCA. Another discussion item could be the inconsistency of rules interpretations between regions. Paul Nolan will look into setting up a meeting.

ITEM VII: ADJOURNMENT

President Nolan declared the meeting adjourned at 12:54 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

John W. Ringlestein, Secretary/Treasurer