

## NEVADA WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING



Meeting Minutes from September 17, 2024

# <u>Approval of the Agenda</u> Williams, motion to approve Agenda, Kraft second.

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## Board Reports

- a. Past President.....Sabrina Dodos Updated Blog on the YP Networking Social event coming up on Friday, September 27.
- b. President ......David Williams
  Abstracts portal is now open but only a few submitted so far. Pass on the message please.
- c. President Elect .....Cody McDougal Cody reached out to Sonia Monday night regarding WEF event.
- d. Secretary ..... Aaron Kraft Aaron nothing new to report.
- e. **PWO Representative.....Dave Wozynski** Dave updated attendees on the upcoming centrifuge workshop in Carson City.
- f. WEF Delegate ......Kamrun Ahmadi Kamrun not present.
- <u>Treasurer's Report</u> Michael Rawlins

Michael asked Board to vote to approve report, Williams in favor, Dodos second. The WEF grant was approved for \$9,900. We are young in the budget year, but currently looking good at \$265k, not including an anticipated favorable income report next month from a successful TriState.

- <u>Certification Board Report</u> Ashley Jacobs reporting Adrian was out. Ashley reported that she has been working on Certemey with Gabbie.
- <u>Program Administrator Report</u> Ashley Jacobson
  Ashley will have gift cards for the NWEA social for the Dischargers group event at Red's on the 25<sup>th</sup>.
- <u>WPI Report</u> John Solvie
  No Report Out
- <u>Membership Services Committee</u> no reports.
  - a. South Golf Committee- Joe Navas and Jonathan Leitch not present, no report.
  - **b. Suey/Jeff-** Gave brief on conference set ups status.
  - c. Social Media- Hamed Heidari- Not present, no updates.
  - d. Blog Development: Hamed Heidari, Danielle Palffy- Not present, no updates.
- <u>Tri-State Report Ashley Jacobson, Nikita Lingenfelter, Raj Chavan, Keli Callahan, LeAnna Risso</u> Raj reported that there were almost 4k attendees this year and the event was extraordinarily



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successful.

# **Conference Planning Committee**

David asked the group to check out the website. Only one abstract submittal so far. David will send out a flyer for members to share for greater exposure. Cody is setting up the Monday night mixer event. Micheal will send out vendor support emails next week.

# Professional Development and Training Committee – Jeff Mills (absent)

Jeff is working on centrifuge training in the south and the north will be hosting the event in Carson City. Jeff is working on Reliability Centered Maintenance training opportunities with CWEA. Very "engineer" heavy, trying to make it more "operator" heavy.

# Public Education and Outreach Committee – Monica Morales

North- Monica reported that she is gearing up for national Water Palooza event at WEFTEC in New Orleans. Blaga will fill in for her during her PTO absence.

South – Daylin reported they organized Fri. Sept 7<sup>th</sup> for 1<sup>st</sup> YP event. K-12 education/outreach review by Monica so Daylin knows who to reach out to here locally.

# Young Professionals/Outreach Committee

## Angel Lacroix – Northern Nevada Chair

- Monica reported that they are putting the finishing touches on the Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> Water Palooza for New Orleans elementary & middle school students, which is the day before WEFTEC. Expecting 300-400 kids.
- Daylin and Julie Preparing for middle school presentation with filter activity. Also working on South's first in a long time Networking event at Taps & Barrels. 20+ registered so far. We are discussing hosting a leadership workshop in the South as well.
- Policies and Procedures Committee Kamrun Ahmadi and Casey Mentzer No updates.
- General WEF Standing Committee All No report and no discussion.
- Nominations and Awards Committee Kamrun Ahmadi No report.
- Old Business

Blake reported that four UNLV students will be competing and presenting on El Dorado Valley Wastewater alternative at WEFTEC on Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>. Practice runs scheduled.

## **New Business**

Dave reported that several inquiries were made on our website about careers in Water/Wastewater. David will kickstart a monthly blog featuring his career path. Blake and Aaron will work with Dave and follow his lead.



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- <u>Next Board Meeting Date:</u> October 15
  North in person location: TMWRF
  South in person location: CCWRD Flamingo Plant, conference room in David's bldg.
- <u>Adjourn NWEA Meeting 12:40 pm</u> Dave moved to adjourn meeting; Aaron seconded.