

**SWANA
Wisconsin Chapter
Teleconference Meeting
February 18, 2009**

Call to Order President Chad Doverspike called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present

Chad Doverspike	Bob Reichelt	Brian Tippetts	Larry Hougom
Curt Madsen	JW Spear	Chris Anderson (2:35)	

Absent

Jerry Mandli	Mike Michels
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Also Present

Administrative Assistant Brenda Rhinehart Professor Aga Razvi (2:27)

Minutes Motion was made by Brian, seconded by Curt, to approve the minutes from the January 21, 2009, meeting. All were in favor; motion carried.

Treasurer's Report JW reported that he had forwarded an inaccurate proposed budget last month and will send out the corrected.

Committee Reports

Membership: Nothing new to report.

International: Brian reported that he is currently serving on two committees: the Nominating Committee for the Secretary position; and the Tech Division Committee, which is reviewing the number of representatives.

Scholarship: Curt reported that only two applications were received for three available scholarships.

Website: Nothing new to report.

Newsletter: Members were reminded to forward any information for the newsletter to Chad.

Old Business

2009 Joint Winter Conference Sponsorship: The hospitality event was discussed.

Waste Composition Study/NGO Update: JW reported that the proposal submitted by SWANA was not chosen. The committee was debriefed by the State and the difference between SWANA and RCC was less than one percent in points. The State chose the more expensive RCC proposal due to the follow-up questions. Brian moved that the Chapter ask for an appeal for reconsideration, unless the process would be detrimental to the Chapter and its members. JW should use his own discretion on how to proceed. Motion seconded by Curt. Ayes - Bob, Curt, Brian, Larry and Chad. Abstain – JW. Motion carried.

UWSP Offering Site Operator and Manager Training/Testing: Bob introduced Professor Aga Razvi from the University of Stevens Point. Professor Razvi reported that UW Stevens Point currently performs Wastewater Treatment Certification Testing for the State, and they are interested in assisting the State with Landfill Site Operator and Manager Certification training and testing. The WDNR does not offer any training for these certificates, and is opened to the suggestion that others do it. They would help with advertising and forwarding information. Bob moved to support and encourage the proposal that UW-Stevens Point offer training in Landfill Site Operator and Facility Managers Certification. Brian seconded the motion. Discussion was held regarding the details, responsibility, and leadership roles. All were in favor and the motion carried. JW moved to form an ad hoc committee with members from SWANA, WCSWMA and UW-Stevens Point to work out the details. Bob seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried. Brian, Bob, JW and Professor Razvi volunteered to be on this committee.

New Business

Proposed State Budget: A discussion was held on the Governor's proposed budget item of an increase in the environmental fee to fund bio-fuel energy research, in addition to other changes impacting the solid waste and recycling programs. It was noted that SWANA and WCSWMA need to work together on this matter.

Other Business

Chris reported that Dan Greene is asking permission to enter the logo he developed for the Association in pertinent competitions. Brian moved to give Dan permission to enter the SWANA logo in any competitions. Motion seconded by JW; all were in favor, motion carried.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on March 18, 2009, at 2:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn by Brian, seconded by JW. All were in favor; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:
Brenda Rhinehart, Administrative Assistant