

**Wisconsin Badger State Chapter
Solid Waste Association of North America
Annual Membership Meeting
May 20, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.
Zoom Meeting**

MINUTES

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by John Welch 10:02am

Roll Call

BOD: John Welch, Erik Lietz, George Shereda, Alex Thomas, Ali Rathsack, Chris Anderson, Chad Doverspike, Meleesa Johnson, Lindsey Carlson (excused late arrival)

BOD Not Present: Mark Toressani, Dave Hagenbucher,

Also Present: Kate (DNR), Susan Schuller (SWANA Admin Assistant)

Minutes of Previous Meetings *April 2021*

Motion by Meleesa to approve as amended the April 2021 Minutes.

Seconded by Alex

Approved – Motion Carries

Treasurer's Report *Meleesa*

Our fiscal year ends September 30th. (National's fiscal year ends in June.)

Checking: \$12,134.85

Savings: \$22,337.30

Motion by Alex to approve as presented.

Seconded by Erik

Approved - Motion carried

Committee Reports

- DNR Report *Kate*
 - New person starting June 17th focusing on recycling policy, emerging waste, and responsible units.
 - Currently recruiting a hydro geologist
 - Rule Making --
 - Ecycle Rulemaking with public hearing June 28th
 - Coal combustion residuals rule to include federal rules/standards. Economic Impact Review will be mid-June
 - Emergency rule will go to the Natural Resources Board on June 23rd that would change the rule to allow some online exams for certifications. They expect to have a 3rd party contractor for this type of exam delivery. DNR is working to update exam prep material and exams.
 - Ecycle bill recently was passed by the senate and will hopeful be passed in the assembly as well.
 - June 3rd Waste Study Group – 2 new people on the group.
 - Reports coming out in mid-June include the Waste Characterization Study and Landfill Alternative Liners Report
 - Slowing moving staff back to the office.
- Safety Ambassador Report *Erik*

- Restructure the committee. New members on the committee. Call out for those interested to join. Restart monthly meetings Wednesdays the 1st or 2nd week each month around 10 or 11 am. When it is decided, Erik will send that to Susan and Allison to put out to social media and website.
- Membership Report *Dave / Ali*
 - No Report.
- International *John*
 - Nothing new.
 - Some national committee meetings happened.
 - Financially, doing well. If PP loans come through, that will be good.
 - Membership hit bottom about 4 months ago but is rebounding.
 - WasteCon in person in Orlando November 1-4th. In person. It will not be a hybrid event.
 - Regional meeting next week.
- YP Report *Dave/Lindsey*
 - Dave and Lindsey absent.
 - Planning June 17th tour of Brown County. More info to come. (backup of the 18th) 9am start for a 2-3 hour tour. Foth is sponsoring with refreshments and lunch. A flyer is being developed for this activity.
 - Looking for new YP Liaison and new student director in the fall.
- Social Media Report *Ali*
 - Scholarship blasts went out.
 - Base calendar is being created.
 - Moving meetings to Wednesday prior to board meeting at 8am. (June 9th and August 11th at 8am)
- Legislative Advocacy Report *Meleesa*
 - Solid Waste PFAS group working on response to Economic Impact Standards.
 - We Energies and WI Paper Council are interested in a meeting to coordinate that submittal of comments.
 - Talked with Terry Johnson-Waste Management. If EPA/CERCLA places PFAS/PFOAs as hazardous waste then ask for exemption in our industry being receivers, not producers of these chemicals.
 - Recycling did not get any extra money.
 - \$3 million from the Enviro Management Fund is going to county conservation departments.
 - Kohl to revamp the recycling grant process/formula. They may go with just weight but that has obvious issues. Some information/education sessions coming up from AROW and WCSWMA.
 - Deer Carcass bill might still be coming through.
 - New bill introduced (democrats) regarding an auxiliary containers ban (bags and take out containers). Likely not going to go far.
- Scholarship Report *George*
 - 5 applicants received

- SWANA national scoring criteria was used by the scholarship committee to score each application received. They met and discussed results.
- Recommendations: Use the full \$6,000 for awards.
 - Brenda Scholarship – Alex Thomas \$1,750
 - Category 1 – one candidate, Colton Hougum at (\$1,250) and, Nick Rabe at (\$1,000)
 - Category 2 -- \$1,000 each for both candidates Sydney Klinzing and Victoria Chanez
- Meleesa felt fulling the full \$6000 is good.
- Motion by Meleesa to approve committee recommendations
- Seconded by Ali
- Approved – Motion Carries

Timeline Reviewed

April Items: Done

Assess Administrative Assistant Contract	May	Board / Admin
IB Rep attends IB meeting	May	IB Rep
		Board Vote (next meeting)
Decide who attend WasteCon	May	
Decide Scholarship winners & report to Board Chair	May	Scholarship Chair
Check Balance to make sure it's not under \$5,000	May	Treasurer
Meet in person at various locations, hosted by different member	June	All
Website Updates	June	Website Chair
Review goals	June	Board
Pursue conference speakers/ideas for sessions	June	All
Check Balance to make sure it's not under \$5,000	June	Treasurer
Review bank statement	June	Treasurer
No meeting	July	None
Begin Budget Prep	July	Treasurer w/assistance
Check Balance to make sure it's not under \$5,000	July	Treasurer

RC should bring a draft to board for RC Admin Services in the next year for review at next meeting.
Create a nominating committee at next meeting for elections.

Unfinished Business

1. Fall In-Person Meetings (Mark) - Mark is putting together a plan for an in-person meeting with a few speakers/some educational aspect. More details to come.
2. Chapter-wide Strategic Planning – Starting in late June/early July through the end of the year. We have enough people on this group. Susan will send out the flyer created by Lindsey to the board indicting the time period just in case another person expresses interest.

Next meeting there is a conflict with the Brown County Tour proposed, so Susan will send an email out to the board to ask if there are any issues with moving our meeting to June 24th instead of the 17th, still at 10:00 am.

Adjourn 10:49am

Minutes recorded by Susan Schuller, SWANA BC Administrative Assistant