

**Wisconsin Badger State Chapter  
Solid Waste Association of North America  
Board Meeting  
May 19, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.  
Zoom Conference Call  
MINUTES**

**Call to Order:** Start 10:02 am

**Roll Call**

BOD: Nate Schneider, Mark Toressani, Dave Hagenbucher, Lindsey Carlson,  
Ali Rathsack, George Shereda, Meleesa Johnson, Chad Doverspike, Chris Anderson

BOD Not Present: Alex Thomas, John Welch

Also Present: Susan Schuller (SWANA Admin Assistant), Kate Strom Hiorns (WDNR)

**Minutes of Previous Meetings** [February 2022 & March 2022](#)

Motion by Nate to approve February and March Minute

Seconded Mark

Approved – Motion Carries

**Treasurer's Report** *Meleesa*

Financial Report sent – Checking = \$16,742.71 / Savings = \$20,339.40

Moving \$8,000 from the checking to the savings for security reasons and not to have a high balance in checking.

Motion by Ali to approve financial report

Seconded Nate

Approved – Motion Carries

**Committee Reports**

Scholarship Report *George*

- Three scholarships applications received. Not scored yet. We need to send a recommendation to national by June 1<sup>st</sup>. What we wanted to do on our Scholarship Committee is to ask someone on the call to assist this year to experience the process.
  - Ali suggested Sujata.
- George left TRC and he will be resigning from the board for the next cycle. He is changing jobs.

DNR Report - *Kate Strom Hiorns*

*Staffing*

- New Business Services and IT Section Chief starting soon in Madison. (Central office)
- New Waste Engineer hired for Eau Claire office, starting early June. (West Central Region)
- New Environmental Program Assistant starting soon in Fitchburg (South Central Region)

*Rulemaking*

- Scope statement for NR 544, Wisconsin administrative code (recycling Responsible Units) on the Natural Resources Board (NRB) agenda for May for approval to hold public hearing on scope statement. If approved, public hearing will take place on June 6 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom.

- The coal combustion residual (CCR) landfills rule is at the final legislative review (already approved by NRB, Governor). Once approved, staff will write up document for U.S. EPA approval.
- Electronics recycling/E-Cycle Wisconsin Program rulemaking going back to NRB for re-approval in June. Delays planned implementation.
- Landfill operator certification rule- now final. Allows online exams for certification.  
<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/opcert/exams.html>

#### *Legislation*

- WI Act 93 exempts statutory tipping fees for soil and dredge sediment, effective July 1. [Category 33: Soils and dredged sediments not mixed with other wastes and not included in other categories. (Effective July 1, 2022, under ss. 289.63 (6)(e), 289.64 (4)(e), 289.645 (4)(i), and 289.67 (1)(fp), Wis. Stats.)] The revised landfill tipping fee table can be found at  
<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/sites/default/files/topic/Landfills/EnvironmentalFeeSummary.pdf>

#### Safety Ambassador Report *Dave*

No Report – Will touch base with John Peralta

#### Membership / Social Media Report *Ali*

Annual Goal – Develop a plan based on the results from the strategic plan.  
Evaluating the results from the strategic planning process.

#### International *John*

No Report

#### YP Report *Dave*

- Met early this week. Ali, Alex, Abi, & Dave meet
- Timing on the meeting has been difficult for some so we are sending out a doodle poll to get the time of day that works better.
- Change in co-chairs. Lindsey and Dave passing leadership of the committee to Alex and Abby Lichtscheidl
- Discussion on chairs being members and not just BOD. Alex is a BOD so according to the bylaws this change is acceptable.
- Meleesa made a suggestion to potentially change bylaws to allow any member to chair a committee.
- Mark and Ali expressed support for this change in the bylaws.
- September is the time to go through bylaw changes – This should be a pretty easy edit to the bylaws and must be voted on to approve.

#### Advocacy Report *Meleesa*

- Kate reported out current events on rulemaking and legislative activity at the state level.
- SWANA National PFAS Receivers Group (Jesse, David B., NWRA, Meleesa, Waste Management rep and Republic rep). A letter went to leadership of congress and legislators. Ask for a narrow exemption should POFA and POFOs be classified as haz waste under CERCLA (superfund law).
- National Infrastructure bill. Understanding what is available under this law will be important. Keep an eye on this. Some money may bypass the states and go directly to municipalities.

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## The timeline was reviewed

Website Updates	March	Website Chair
Review goals	March	Board
Wisconsin Non-Stock Corp Annual Report Form – <a href="#">Meleesa done</a>	March	Treasurer
Tax Form 990	March	Treasurer
Check Balance to make sure it's not under \$5,000	March	Treasurer
Review bank statement	March	Treasurer
Place conference info on national site – <a href="#">Susan will send to national</a>	April	Admin
Check Balance to make sure it's not under \$5,000	April	Treasurer
Review bank statement	April	Treasurer
Assess Administrative Assistant Contract – <a href="#">Susan will talk with Karin</a>	May	Board
IB Rep attends IB meeting – International Board – <a href="#">John? Because we now have a regional rep, they attend this meeting.</a>	May	IB Rep
Decide who attend Wastecon – <a href="#">Not voted on.</a>	May	Board Vote Scholarship
Decide Scholarship winners & report to Board Chair	May	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
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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

## Unfinished Business

1. Chapter-wide Strategic Planning
  - a. 42 people completed the survey
  - b. Draft results were sent to all
  - c. Susan will send out the gift cards to the 4 winners
2. Post WIRMC 2022 Update (Susan/Planning Team)
  - a. Revenue – \$11,020.81 to SWANA
  - b. Looking for keynote ideas and already starting to plan for the call for presenters
  - c. There may be a vacancy coming up on this committee. Let Susan know if you are interested in helping on this committee. SWANA WI gets 3 reps.
3. Committee Goals – Susan will contact each chair or feel free to email goal
  - a. Legislative & Advocacy – Meleesa
  - b. Membership & Social Media – Ali (stated above in committee report)
  - c. Safety – Dave (and John)
  - d. Scholarship – George
  - e. YP – Alex

Next meeting June 16, 2022 at 10:00AM

Adjourn – 10:50am

Motion by Chris to approve financial report  
Seconded Nate  
Approved – Motion Carries

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Minutes recorded by Susan Schuller, SWANA BC Administrative Assistant