



California-Nevada Chapter SWCS

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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING @ HYATT PLACE, RENO

Friday, May 27th, 2011

A meeting of the Executive Council of the California-Nevada Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society was called to order by President Andrea Casey at 7:30 a.m. on Friday, May 27, 2011. The following Executive Council Members were present: Phil Hogan, Director; Michael Hogan, Director; Bill Daily, President Elect; Tom Esgate, Secretary; Walt Bunter, Committee Chair; Mark Steffek, Regional Director; Tina Vander Hoek, Director; Emilie Schneider, Student Scholarship Winner; Ladi Asgill, Director; Andrea Casey, Outgoing-President.

Note: Minutes from April 12, 2011 teleconference still need to be approved. The conference call on May 13, 2011 did not have a quorum, therefore Notes instead of Minutes were distributed and do not require a Motion to Approve.

Treasurer's Report

Tom reported no changes to the report from last month. Discussed current expenses incurred at the conference:

\$1000.00 – Scholarship recipient, \$44.57 – reimbursement to Walt Bunter, conference supplies \$230.00 – reimbursement to Ladi Asgill, awards \$93.00 – reimbursement to Bill Daily, conference supplies___ Cost of hotel rooms for directors and scholarship recipient to be determined.

Mileage reimbursement to Tina V. – to be determined

Bill Daily made the motion to approve expenses and allow Tom to pay the bills accrued to this point for the Annual Conference. Michael Hogan seconded. Motion Approved.

Tom also brought up concerns over expenses incurred during annual conferences exceeding the income generated. A discussion was held. Several ideas were brought forward, sponsorships using various levels of sponsor, grants, partnerships etc. It was agreed to consider all avenues over the next few months as the next conference begins to be coordinated.

Unfinished Business:

2012 International Conference – Bill indicated he will be attending at his own expense. At least one more director or member is needed.

Tina Vander Hoek travel reimbursements for the Annual Conference.

Committee Reports: please see Minutes from Annual Business Meeting, 11:00 AM May 27, Hyatt Place, Reno, NV

New Business -

A discussion was held regarding the next annual conference and items to consider:

Starting EARLY!!

Getting a committee in place immediately - this was addressed at the Annual Business Meeting.

Location

Topic – Michael H. suggested stormwater restoration

Sponsors

Outreach and Promotion

CA-NV Chapter Mission Statement

The question was asked “what is the Chapter’s mission statement”? No one could readily answer and when provided the statement was lengthy and cumbersome. Discussion was held about the need to develop a short, concise mission statement that could be used as a foundation to what we do, how the organization is important, and as a building block of conferences and technical tours. This was addressed at the Annual Business Meeting and Incoming President Daily will form a small committee to create a new draft of the Mission Statement.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 so that the rest of the conference could be continued. Date and call in information for next Executive Council conference call will be provided by Bill Daily within the next week or so. Any member with an item of New Business to be included on the agenda is requested to submit it to the Chapter President prior to the meeting.

s/REBECCA HALE, SECRETARY

s/ANDREA CASEY, OUTGOING PRESIDENT