



SORA Board Meeting Minutes

November 5, 2019

2:30 PM Eastern Standard Time

Board Roll Call: Past President Region 6 **Matt Pace** (OK), Region 9 *Vacant*, Region 8 **Chuck Cousino** (CO), Region 1/Treasurer **Amanda Clark** (CT), Region 10/Secretary **Jeremy Simmons** (WA), Region 2 *Vacant*, Region 3 **Travis Sterner** (MD), Region 4 **Chris Edwards** (KY), Region 5 **Mike Mettler** (IN), President Region 7 **Eric Folks** (MO), At Large *Vacant*, Tribal **Michael Bolt** (NC Cherokee), Canadian Provinces **Derek Smith** (Manitoba).

Invited Guests: **Dick Bachelder** (COI Rep.), **Sheryl Ervin** (COI Rep. back-up), **Ed Corriveau** (Retirees), **Ann D'Alfonso** (KS)

Green = Present

Red = Absent

1. Review/edit meeting agenda

No quorum. No votes held this meeting.

2. Approval of October meeting minutes

Review of October Meeting Minutes and the Business Meeting notes. Corrections provided to Secretary.

3. Executive Committee Reports

- a. Presidents report: (Matt)

- i. Officer elections and board replacements

Discussion: Region 2 Board member position remains unfilled.

- ii. EPA request for assistance with NESC

NESC would like SORA to apply for funding assistance from EPA. NESC doesn't qualify for the funding request. (FY 2019 Training and Technical Assistance to Improve Water Quality and Enable Small Public Water Systems to Provide Safe Drinking Water, Funding Opportunity Number: EPA-OW-OGWDW-19-03).

Jeannie Allen joined meeting.

Discussion:

What role would SORA play? How much work would be involved? Would a contract be needed?



-SORA would be Principle. SORA would responsible party and ultimately liable. SORA could subcontract with WVU (or someone else) to do actual work.
Board decided to Table decision until future meeting with quorum. Discussion: Board is concerned with taking on this responsibility/liability without having the capacity to provide appropriate oversight.

iii. Committee start up

b. Treasurers Report (Amanda)

No report

c. Secretary Report (Jeremy)

No report

4. Standing Committee Reports:

a. Membership (Chris)

No report

b. Conference Planning (Chuck)

i. Conference Business meeting worked well. The Sunday timeslot worked well.

5. COI Report (Dick)

No report

6. Ad hoc Committee Reports:

a. Website (Ann)

Reviewed website updates

b. Retirees (Ed) –No report

Discussion: Ed is scheduled for surgery and is not able to fully participate. Board will reach out to Mary Clark for participation.

Conference Business meeting worked well. The Sunday timeslot worked well.

c. Policy (Chuck)

No report



7. New Business:
 - a. Strategic plan review
8. Old Business:
9. Action Item Review:
10. Adjourn

Adjourned –no motion

Future Meeting Dates for 2019 & 2020 (First Tuesday of each month): December 3, 2019; January 7, 2020. All meetings will start at 2:30 P.M. EST.