



SORA Board Meeting Minutes

June 10, 2020

2:30 PM Eastern Standard Time

Board Roll Call:

Region 1/Treasurer: Amanda Clark (CT), Region 2: Stephen Marshall (NY),

Region 3: Travis Sterner (MD), Region 4: Chris Edwards (Chuck is proxy) (KY), Region 5: Mike Mettler (IN),

Region 6/Secretary, Past President: Matt Pace (OK), Region 7: Rachel Marlett (KS)

Region 8: Chuck Cousino (CO), Region 9: Vacant, Region 10/President: Jeremy Simmons (WA), At Large: Marcia Degen, 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

Motion to approve meeting agenda: Chuck Cousino

Seconded: Marcia Degen

None Opposed

Passes

2. Approval of May Minutes;

Minutes not received

3. Executive Committee Reports

- a. President's report: (Jeremy)

- i. Communications

1. Discuss recent communications

Did not Attend EPA MOU on June 3rd

2. Identify any needed or anticipated communications

- a. NOWRA Conference attendance



Discussed in Conference Planning Committee section

- b. Treasurer's Report (Amanda);

No report

- c. Secretary's Report (Matt);

No report

4. Standing Committee Reports:

- a. Membership (Chris);

No report

- b. Conference Planning (Chuck);

Still planning on having full (in person) conference. Looking at adding virtual participation. Did call for papers. Looks like it will a hybrid virtual/in-person or all virtual.

Our SORA meeting should be planned all virtual.

Chuck will generate a survey to SORA members on attendance –exec committee will review.

How to have SORA participation?

Chuck will try to meet with conference planning committee before July SORA meeting.

We need a decision to be made by NOWRA (on details of virtual v. in person) soon for planning purposes. We appreciate the difficulty and challenge of this decision.

We can invite the COIs to provide a given amount of time (e.g. 10 minutes) to address the SORA membership at the annual business meeting. More discussion to come.

- c. Strategic Planning (Travis)

Travis reports: We are at midpoint of our strategic plan. We should review and update.

It would be helpful to bring Mary Clark into this conversation.

5. COI Report (Dick);

Are there any COIs that have not paid their dues? Dick would appreciate an accounts receivable list.



6. Ad hoc Committee Reports:

- a. Website (Ann)
- b. Retirees (Ed);
- c. Policy (Chuck);

7. New Business:

- a. ?

None

8. Old Business:

- a. EPA Partners Call; The board needs to decide who will attend and sign as the SORA rep. (typically this is a member from a state closest to D.C.)

9. Action Item Review:

10. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn: Mike Mettler

Seconded: Chuck Cousino

Adjourned

Future Meeting Dates for 2020 (First Tuesday of each month): July 7, 2020. August 4, 2020. September 1, 2020. October 6, 2020. November 3, 2020. December 1, 2020. All meetings will start at 2:30 P.M. EST.