



SORA Board Meeting Minutes

August 4, 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 (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 (VA), 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
2. Approval of May, June and July meeting minutes

May and June were approved at July meeting; July will be available at Sept meeting.

3. Executive Committee Reports

- a. President's report: (Jeremy)

- i. Communications

1. Discuss recent communications

- a. EPA Decentralized MOU Signing

Jeremy S. to review and sign agreement; Marcia D. will be available to attend on behalf of SORA

- b. EPA Septic Location Question

Naomi Huff (EPA) sent a request soliciting information on septic system locations. Matt P. to contact Naomi and clarify information then send to listserv.

- c. NOWRA Survey

- d. Survey Tool for Board Use



2. Identify any needed or anticipated communications

a. ?

b. Treasurer's Report (Amanda);

No report

c. Secretary's Report (Matt);

Matt P. made some changes to the subscribers of the listserv. Corrected Jeanne Allen (Presby), added Carl Thompson (Presby), Lisa Otto-Westman (N.Dakota), Brad Harris (TN), and modified the contact for Idaho.

4. Standing Committee Reports:

a. Membership (Chris);

Chris E. contacted Hydro Dynamic Solutions; membership pending

b. Conference Planning (Chuck);

NOWRA figuring out virtual options; SORA will use GoTo Meeting

c. Strategic Planning (Travis)

Travis S. is attempting to locate the most recent version of the strategic plan; should be the one that is available on the SORA webpage

Looking to reconvene the committee

5. COI Report (Dick);

Sheryl E. was available in place of Dick B. No items to update

6. Ad hoc Committee Reports:

a. Website (Ann)

Ann D. will update COI of the month on the website

Ann can also provide link on the SORA website if NOWRA goes virtual

b. Retirees (Ed);

No update

c. Policy (Chuck);

No items to update



7. New Business:

- a. ?

Board needs to select officers for the next year. Specifically, President-Elect and Treasurer

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:

Jeremy S. to contact Amanda C. about reaching out to Mary Clark and finding out if she would be willing/available to serve on strategic planning and retirees committees

10. Adjourn

*Motion to dismiss – Chuck C.; Second – Chris E.; **meeting adjourned***

Future Meeting Dates for 2020 (First Tuesday of each month): 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.