SORA Board Meeting Minutes  
May 7, 2024, 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM (EST)

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Board Roll Call:

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| Region 1: **Amanda Clark (CT) Becka Andranovich** | Region 9: *Treasurer:* **Michael Broussard (NM)** |
| Region 2: **Stephen Marshall (NY)** | Region 10**: Jeremy Simmons (WA)** |
| Region 3: *Past President*: **Travis Sterner (MD**) | At Large*:*  **Lance Gregory (VA)** |
| Region 4: **Chris Edwards (KY)** | Tribal: Chris Sams (Cherokee Nation) |
| Region 5: Mike Mettler (IN) | Canadian Provinces: Derek Smith (Manitoba) |
| Region 6: ***President-Elect:* Nicholas Huber (OK)** | *Executive Director*: **Eric Casey** |
| Region 7: Eric Folks (MO) | *Secretary*: **Marcia Degen (Retiree)** |
| Region 8: *President:* **Chuck Cousino (CO)** |  |

Invited Guests: Dick Bachelder/ Sheryl Ervin (COI Rep.), Dave Cotton (membership chair)

1. Approval of April 2, Board Mtg. minutes: Motion: Chuck C. Second: Michael B. Approved.
2. Executive Committee Reports
   1. President’s report: (Chuck)
      1. CWSRF webinar; 5/15/2024, 2:00 pm (EDT) (locate and send out to members)
      2. Updated member list to EPA; per request due soon
   2. Treasurer’s Report: (Michael)
      1. Invoice status
         1. Members
         2. COI (Membership, and 2023 Tuesday event)
      2. Current account balances:
         1. Savings: $31,323.24
         2. Checking: $13,118.06
         3. Receivables: $6,318.60
         4. Go to meeting status – no billing to date so believe it is closed.

See secretary’s report for details.

Google drive has a file that logs all the applications. Michael gets a copy and can forward to Marcia so that new folks can be added quickly to the listserv.

Discussion: would be good to be able to have a log in part on the website.

Marcia to set up a meeting with Michael, Eric, and Jeremy to see if can streamline the transfer of information for new application.

* 1. Secretary’s Report: (Marcia)
     1. Listserv Items
        1. Members:
           1. added [rebecca.andranovich@ct.gov](mailto:rebecca.andranovich@ct.gov) to member and joint list
           2. deleted [antoanela.daha@ct.gov](mailto:antoanela.daha@ct.gov) from member and joint list
        2. COI – added [cperry@eztreat.net](mailto:cperry@eztreat.net) to COI and joint list

(add Mike Stidham for EZ Treat as well)

* 1. Executive Director’s Report (Eric C.):
     1. Website updates
        1. Site modifications via WordPress; status? Eric C has been working to reach the website folks (Dave), waiting on a response. Did determine the issue with posting the newsletter.
        2. Address “untrusted site” issue
        3. Misc. $5/mo. charge (Amanda noted); addressed? May be Dream Host charge (website – extended support)
     2. Workforce grant update; NOWRA – no word yet. Maybe the end of this month.
     3. Create SORA-specific email for Exec. Dir.; include in newsletter to membership.

1. Standing Committee Reports:
   1. Membership (Dave/Eric C.);
      1. Online application status; Is website application contacting Michael/Eric/Marcia? On hold until can reach Dave C.
      2. Share privileges for Google docs; Status?
      3. Edits to draft “membership page” on website; we need to be able to link it back to the current membership list with a passcode. Determine if it is worth it for our membership (difficulty, cost, etc.)
   2. Conference Planning (Eric C./Jeremy);
      1. NOWRA MOU; signed/competed
      2. Tuesday evening event: Eric received information for an offsite venue (2 blocks) for the evening social. About $3000. Vs patio at conference center
   3. Strategic Planning (Travis): No report
2. COI Report (Dick/Sheryl)
   1. Membership, etc. All but one COI have committed to rejoin.
3. Ad hoc Committee Reports:
   1. Website (Eric C.):
   2. Newsletter status (Eric C., Michael B., Mike M.) Will be out by end of week and posted.
   3. OWTS funding options (Lance, Eric C.) Lance will get moving on this issue this week. Chuck suggested a list of bullet points for email to go to Board first.
   4. Policy (Chuck):
4. Old Business:
   1. National Waste Alliance; NAWT program; Status report, Nicholas (OK)

Thanked everyone for the information and he’s compiling it.

* 1. NEHA monthly magazine update; (Eric C.)
     1. NEHA status; what would we want in an ad? Contact has been hard to reach. Eric to ask for an alternative contact.

1. New Business:
   1. No New Business
2. Action Items:
   1. (Feb) Lance to send out invite to membership to the new Ad hoc Committee.
   2. (May) Marcia to set up meeting to review how to transfer new application info to appropriate folks (Marcia, Eric C, Michael, Jeremy)
3. Adjourn –

**Meeting Dates for 2024 (First Tuesday of each month):** All meetings will start at 2:30 P.M. EST.

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| ~~May 7~~ | September 3 |
| June 4 | October 1 |
| July 2 | November 5 |
| August 6 | December 3 |