SORA Board Meeting Agenda  
August 6, 2024, 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM (EDT)

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Board Roll Call:

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| **Region 1:** Amanda Clark (CT); **Becka A.** | **Region 9: Michael Broussard (NM), *Treasurer*** |
| **Region 2: Stephen Marshall (NY)** | **Region 10: Jeremy Simmons (WA)** |
| **Region 3: Travis Sterner (MD), *Past President*** | **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: Nicholas Huber (OK), *President-Elect* | ***Executive Director*: Eric Casey** |
| Region 7: Eric Folks (MO) | ***Secretary*: Marcia Degen (Retiree)** |
| **Region 8:Chuck Cousino (CO), *President*** |  |

Invited Guests: **Dick Bachelder**/ Sheryl Ervin (COI Rep.); Membership chair: vacant

1. Approval of July 9, 2024 Board Meeting minutes: Motion: Chris Edwards Second: Steve Marshall. Approved.
2. Executive Committee Reports
   1. President’s report: (Chuck)

No activities to report.

* 1. Treasurer’s Report: (Michael)
     1. Invoice status
        1. Members
           1. Member status: Danna R., OR, NC,: Chris contacted NC; Danna is up to date. OR has paid.
        2. COI, Membership, and 2023 Tuesday event payment status – Orenco paid; Norweco – likely a wrong email address as they did not get an invoice. Michael to get with Dick on that.
     2. Current account balances:
        1. Savings: $31,592.45
        2. Checking: $14,537.13
        3. Receivables: $2,801.80
  2. Secretary’s Report: (Marcia)
     1. Listserv Items
        1. Share privileges for Google docs; Status? This is in regard to who gets the notification when someone submits an application. At this point, unsure who gets it. Marcia has never gotten the notification.
     2. Other – All list serve modifications complete.
  3. Executive Director’s Report (Eric C.):
     1. Website updates
        1. Status of “untrusted site” issue: Eric is working on it. Needed a password which was just relayed to the IT person. A new certificate should be generated shortly.
        2. Site modifications via WordPress; status? Modifications made and ongoing.
        3. Members only page; need to determine if this option is needed; cost/benefit analysis.: Eric to set up meeting. Becka, Marcia, and Michael.
        4. Discussion regarding inclusion of a link to state OWTS regs on our webpage: Michael said he can pull the data from quickbooks if we want to put in a field for state contact and website. Then export a spreadsheet with the required data.
     2. SORA official address; should both the CT and VA be noted on webpage? One being the official address for contact, and the other for tax purposes; Status? Working on it
     3. SORA-specific email for Exec. Dir. – [wecasey@soraus.com](mailto:wecasey@soraus.com), When should we start to use this email?
     4. NEHA add status – Eric had gotten the go ahead from upper management to submit an ad, but Eric has gotten no response from the ad person.

1. Standing Committee Reports:
   1. Membership (Eric C.);
      1. Member, online application status. Working as intended? Is site contacting Marcia, Michael, Eric, Becka? Updated language on form? Michael is getting the notification. Not sure who else is. Marcia is not.
   2. Conference Planning (Eric C./Jeremy);
      1. Tuesday evening event location; status?
         1. Food/Bev. status? Set up at Purgatory Spokane for Tuesday evening. Eric is waiting on signed contract.
   3. Strategic Planning (Travis):
      1. No update.
2. COI Report (Dick/Sheryl):
   1. Dick; Any response from COI contacts? Have not picked up any additional captains. Working on getting info out to COIs. Could use some suggestions on new COIs.
   2. COI sponsorship; comment on suggested increase annual dues to cover both membership and event costs. Dick thinks it’s a great idea. It’s roughly a $120 to $150 extra charge. Dick will run it by the COIs.
3. Ad hoc Committee Reports:
   1. Newsletter status (Eric C., Michael B., Mike M.)
      1. New tab for newsletter on webpage? Newsletter is out (early July). Next newsletter target end of year.
   2. OWTS funding options (Lance, Eric C.); Status? Working on scheduling the meeting.
   3. Policy (Chuck): No report.
4. Old Business: No old business.
   1. National Waste Alliance; NAWT program; Status report, Nicholas (OK) – No report.
5. New Business: No New business.
6. Action Items:
   1. Meetings to be set up
      1. Lance – OWTS Funding options
7. Eric C – membership perks on the website.
8. Adjourn –

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

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| September 3 | November 5 |
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