FAEP BOARD MEETING Minutes

November 4, 2011

12:00 – 1:00 EST

Conference Call

In attendance:

Arnaud Roux

Bruce Hasbrouck

Kristin Bennett

Shane Billings

Paul Looney

Mary Gutierrez

Erik Neugaard

Ed Currie

Kathy Hale

Matt Miller

Elva Peppers

1. **Approve Minutes**

October minutes- Motion to approve-Kristin

Second to approve by Bruce

All aye

1. **President’s Report**

See Old and New Business below.

1. **Vice President’s Report**

Requests- Kristin sent a request for NAEP email blast update for 3 months of future activities for local chapters. Please send her updated information from the email that she sent out this morning.

Issue: Emails- please respond to individuals when appropriate and not the goggle-groups account.

1. **Treasurer’s Report (Absent)**

$11,675.67 in checking account.

1. **Secretary’s Report**

None

1. **Association Administrator’s Report**
   * 817 current members
   * 66 memberships processed in October 20 new and 55 renewals
   * 101 renewal notices sent out
   * 144 NAEP Members
2. **Chapter Reports**

* Kathy Hale – CN

The chapter had their annual social Nov. 10th. New website look is up and running.

* Ed Currie – NE

Oct. meeting is on setting a course for a more sustainable with speaker David Dunkley from JIA

Nov 10 meeting is on incremental sampling overview.

* Mary Gutierrez – NW

Oct meeting Buddy Covington shelll fish recovery in little Bay penn. was well attended.

Nov. 21st-Dr Carl Mohrer will speak on PCBs in Escambia Bay

Dec. -no formal meeting but will have a holiday social on the 8th or 15th

The chapter is working on its website.

The chapter is interested in having Tom Harmon come and speak.

NW Chapter is interested in hosting the 2012 FAEP Conf.

* Erik Neugaard – SO

Last month's meeting was well attended and the venue is very nice.

Good attendance today at their annual conference.

They will be having elections today.

* Matt Miller – SW

Sept. meeting was at Stetson in Sarasota

Oct. meeting will be an Environmental Scientist from Sarasota Co.

Next Tuesday Sarasota meeting on proposed Manatee County wetland regulation-they are working on new ordinances

Wrapped up membership drive: they got 5-6 new members

* Paul Bowers (Shane Billings) – TB

Oct. meeting was -Andy Schipfer from EPC spoke about groundwater programs 45-50 attended

Dec. 1st is the Annual Falliday members only meeting

Oct. social event had $1,000 in sponsorships

The chapter is in the process of voting on Rising Star student award nomination ($500 cash award)

* Arnoud Roux– TC

No event for Oct.

Nov 9 there will be a NAEP Bald eagle webinar meeting, Stuart from Tetratech will host

West Palm Beach office may be a second location for the webinar

Dec1 is the annual awards holiday event including guy Harvey donated items, proceeds will go to the River Center

They are planning a 2012 Seagrass identification workshop

* Elva Peppers – TL

Oct meeting speaker Paul Looney, NAEP and CEP presentation -30 turnout.

Nov. networking social next week.

Dec. Dianne Pickett will present on the Petroleum cleanup program

BOD making some changes and getting annual sponsors instead of event sponsors.

They are going to do some logo items for sale to promote the organization.

They are going to prepare a membership directory and put sponsors in the book.

Elva has a meeting with Jeff Littlejohn about getting State Certification for EP (Juliean Gurtraud NWFWMD)

1. **Old Business**

* 2014 NAEP Annual Conference
* Proposal from TBAEP for Board consideration
* This month, during Thanksgiving weekend Bruce will begin looking for a local venue for the conference.
* FSU and UF Student Organizations

No activity.

* Gainesville Area Chapter

Notice in last newsletter

* Proposal for Annual FAEP Chapter Filings

Kristin made motion to approve Bruce's proposal ($1,470.00)

Second to approve by Mary

Kristin withdrew her motion and asked Bruce to re-circulate the proposal for vote next month.

Kristin moved to defer this to an email vote.

Second by Erik

All aye

1. **New Business**

* 2012 BOD Elections

Kathy is on the nominating committee. Bruce will help. Each Chapter rep needs to query their members to see if anyone is interested in going for a board position. If nominations come in within the next 11 days, the schedule will be met. An at-large Board member position is open. Erik, Kristin and Victoria cannot succeed themselves.

Erik asked Bruce to organize the elections

* Consolidating FAEP/Local Chapter Membership Dues -Deferred. Kathy asked for an email explaining the issue from Erik.
* **Florida State certification/acceptance for Environmental Professionals (CEP**), Elva has an appointment with Jeff Littlejohn to discuss this subject. There was discussion about whether this meeting can be held as a representation of the FAEP membership and whether the subject should be vetted through the FAEP. Paul Looney will also attend the meeting.

1. **Upcoming Meetings**

* December 2nd BOD Meeting
* January TBD BOD Meeting

1. **Adjournment**

1:07 adjourn by Erik