



**2022 MSAWWA—MWEA JOINT MEMBERSHIP
DRAFT MEETING MINUTES
Thursday April 28, 2022—7:30 am
Great Falls Heritage Inn/American Room**

Opening: MWEA President—Neil DeZort called the meeting to order.

MSAWWA Chair—Carrie Gardner

Old Business—Approval of Spring 2021 Joint Membership Meeting Minutes, Jeff Jenson made a motion to approved, Keeley seconded, the minutes were approved.

New Business—

1. MWEA Delegate's Report—Dave Aune is the new Delegate through 2023, and is awaiting final confirmation from the Board.
2. MSAWWA Director's Report—John Alston thanked Melissa Eliot for her attendance and representation and congratulated Jeff Jensen on the George Fuller. John noted that ACE is back in person in San Antonio in June. AWWA is launching its new Water 2050

Joint Committee Reports (Board Oversight):

1. Cross Connection Control – MSAWWA Sec/Treasurer—David Carlson/MWEA Sec./Treasurer—Rodney Lance Barb noted that in person recertificate.
2. Exhibitors – MSAWWA Sr. Trustee—Jason Fladland/MWEA Sr. Trustee—Bruce Souder noted that exhibitors have enjoyed the conference, the conversation.
3. Host City – MSAWWA Chair—Carrie Gardner/MWEA President—Neil DeZort provided comment that entertainment night was a positive event.
4. Information Management – MSAWWA Jr. Trustee—Matt Mudd/MWEA Jr. Trustee—Rickey Schultz, David noted that the facebook section is carrying about 150 followers.
5. Lifetime Achievement Award – MSAWWA Director—John Alston/MWEA Delegate—Dave Aune – The awardees were well deserved.
6. Program – MSAWWA Chair—Carrie Gardner/MWEA President—Neil DeZort – Nothing major to report.
7. Public Outreach—MSAWWA Vice Chair—Keeley Barry/MWEA Pres. Elect—Barb Coffman – Rika noted that this committee is revamping.

8. Scholarship – MSAWWA Past Chair—Jeff Jensen/MWEA Past President—Rika Lashley – Greg noted that that raffle tickets were. Tasmim was the awardee
9. SYP – MSAWWA Past Chair—Jeff Jensen/MWEA Past President—Rika Lashley. This committee is rocking and most activity committee with several in person and virtual events.

MWEA Business: Neil DeZort, MWEA President

1. President's report
 - a. Budget Report – Neil presented the 2022 budget.
 - b. Budget Approval – A budget will be distributed via email afterwards.
2. Committee Reports
 - a. Beneficial Reuse – No Committee Work to report at this time.
 - b. Education – This committee will be pulling together for the preconference for next year.
 - c. Grants For Teachers – Amy has been working with teachers, and a science teacher that is looking for equipment, supplies, materials, etc. Members were asked to spread the word.
 - d. Honors/Awards – Jeremy noted deserving candidates and please provide nominations for next year.
 - e. Long Range Planning – Neil noted that the board will be updating the long range plan and code of conduct is going to be developed for the MWEA Section which will be sent out to the membership for review.
 - f. Membership – Membership section is steady.
 - g. Pretreatment - No Committee Work to report at this time.
 - h. Stockholm Jr. Water Prize – Kristi provided an updated
 - i. Stormwater – This committee slowed down during the pandemic.
3. Junior Trustee Nominations/Election – Rika Lashley nominated Matt Waite, only one nomination was received. Nate made a motion to approve, seconded by Barb. Matt was confirmed as the new Junior Trustee.
4. Senior Trustee Nominations/Election – Neil nominated Rickey. Rika made a motion to elect Rickey as Senior Trustee, Kristi Kline seconded, Rickey was confirmed.
5. Secretary/Treasurer Nominations/Election – Neil nominated Rika Lashley to this position. John made a motion, Kristi Kline seconded, Rika was confirmed as secretary treasurer.
6. National Delegate – Cora nominated Dave as the delegate, no other nominated. Cora made a motion, **made** a second, Dave was confirmed.
7. Progression of MWEA Board
 - a. Incoming President Barb Coffman
 - b. Outgoing President Neil DeZort
8. Other Business

MSAWWA Business: Carrie Gardner, MSAWWA Chair

1. Chair's Report
 - a. Budget Report – Carrie reviewed the 2022 budget with the membership
2. Committee Reports
 - a. Awards =
 - b. Education – Preconference was well attended on GUDIWA, thanked the program committee.
 - c. Legislative – Nate provided an update was AWWA Fly-in coincided with this conference, but this committee plans to connect virtually with the Montana Delegation to follow-up.
 - d. Membership – Matt Mudd provided an update an update, membership is strong with 215 members, and welcomed & recognized new members
 - e. WFP – Carrie provided an update on the raffle update.
 - f. Fuller Award – Greg congratulated
3. Junior Trustee Nominations/Election – Jarret Moran was nominated for Junior Trustee, no other nomination to approve. Jeff made a motion to approve, Matt seconded, the motion was approved.
4. Director-Elect Nominations/Election – Craig Woolard nominated Nate Weisenburger. Greg nominated Carrie Gardner. Nate Weisenburger & Carrie introduced themselves. A membership vote was held, Carrie Gardner was elected.

5. Progression of MSAWWA Board – Carrie welcomed and introduced Keeley Barry as the new Chair.
 - a. Incoming Chair Keeley Barry – Keeley thanked Carrie for her leadership and is looking forward taking the Chair position.
 - b. Outgoing Chair Carrie Gardner

6. Other Business
 - a. Robin provided a conference update, attendee was down slightly however the exhibitor registration was down. Robin is looking into 2023 for Bozeman for venue, which has some logistics. Or Missoula. The boards are also exploring Butte.

Prizes for 1 randomly picked members (either MSAWWA or MWEA) who are in attendance!!

Adjourn Jeff Jensen motion was made, Keeley seconded, the meeting was adjourned.