



MSAWWA/MWEA BOARD MEETING MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 26, 2021—1:00 pm Virtual Meeting hosted by AE2S, Inc. on Microsoft Teams

Call To Order

Neil DeZort called the meeting the order.

Old Business:

- 1. Review and Approval of Spring Meeting Minutes
 - a. The boards reviewed the minutes, Carrie Gardner made a motion to approved, Barb Coffman seconded, the minutes were approved.

New Business:

- MWEA President's Report—Neil DeZort provided a report update for their section, and introduced their new board members, Bruce Souder and Collette Anderson are the new board members. The Board is searching a National Delegate & will be following up with its committees.
- 2. MWEA Delegate Report— No Report Available.
- 3. MSAWWA Chair's Report—Carrie provided an updated on the Section status, membership levels, and welcomed Matt Mudd as its new Junior Trustee.
- 4. MSAWWA Delegate Report—John Alston was unavailable to provide a report and will follow-up via an email.
- 5. Joint Committee Reports:

| Committee | Board Oversight | Committee Chair |
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| Cross-connection | MSAWWA/MWEA Sec/Treasurer David Carlson/Rodney Lance | Barb Coffman noted that the in-person backflow certificate training has restarted with 3 successful training. Barb is trying to find a location for 2022 in Missoula. |
| Exhibitors | MSAWWA/MWEA Sr. Trustees Jason Fladland/Collette Anderson | No Report Available. |
| Host City | MSAWWA/MWEA Chair/President Carrie Gardner/Neil DeZort | Committee is prepared for the 2022 conference; Rika is going to pass along information for contractors sponsorships. |

| Information Management | MSAWWA/MWEA Jr. Trustees Matt Mudd/Bruce Souder | David Carlson provided an update on the committee activities, and social media outreach updates. |
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| Lifetime Achievement | MSAWWA/MWEA Directors John Alston/ | Rika noted that Jeremy Perlinski resigned from this position. No awards given for 2021, but will give awards for 2022. |
| Program | MSAWWA/MWEA Chair/President Carrie Gardner/Neil DeZort | Carrie provided a report, Amy will continue to serve as chair and will send out the call for papers shortly. |
| Public Outreach | MSAWWA/MWEA Vice Chair/Pres. Elect Keeley Barry/Barb Coffman | Rika Lashley provided an update on the committee activity. |
| Scholarship | MSAWWA/MWEA Past Chair/Past Pres. Jeff Jensen/Rika Lashley | Rika provided Greg's report, which scholarship committee continues to fund-raise to reach its goal, which the committee awarded a scholarship in 2021. |
| Student & Young Professionals | MSAWWA/MWEA Past Chair/Past Pres. Jeff Jensen/Rika Lashley | Keeley - provided an update from S&YP committee from Maddie Thompson, the group participated in the Gallatin River cleanup as part of the watershed council, the Section won the AWWA Water Tower Competition, conducted an education event sand filters with the kids. |

- 6. 2022 Conference Discussion: April 26-28 at Heritage Inn/Great Falls
 - a. Robin provided an update on the conference planning, both boards felt that in-person would be the best option and agreed to proceed with the conference.
- 7. Board Oversight Discussion—Rika Lashley
 - a. The boards discussed modify the existing board oversight system such that an individual stays with a committee rather than rotate. The boards decided to stay with the current system and would revisit this topic later.
- 8. Other Business
 - a. None
- 9. Adjourn
 - a. Keeley made a motion to adjourn, Collette seconded, the meeting was adjourned.