



## **Meeting Minutes from the November 20, 2020 Board Meeting.**

Opal called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

On Zoom: Opal Forbes, Kathy Kaiser, Todd Croke, Ross Bruno, Luci Snowden, Jon Healy, Ron Whiteman, Greg Baptist, John Whittingham, Don Krouse

Not in attendance: Leewood Oakley, Sam Stribling

### **Meeting Minutes**

Meeting minutes from October was recorded by Opal in Kathy's absence but not yet printed for everyone to review. Kathy asked about all the notes that she has and where to put them for future reference. She will put in pdf form and work with Opal on where to put them.

### **Treasurers Report**

Treasurers report as of November 19, 2020: Checking \$5,458.69, Savings \$41,750.54 for total of \$47,208.54. Expenses paid this month: Google Drive \$1.99, Affordable Web Guy \$50.0, and received interest of \$0.34. Opal received a renewal notice for mailbox for \$276.

### **State Reports**

1. New Mexico – No report
2. Wyoming – No report
3. Montana – John wants to publicize a major mine reclamation project they are working on. He'd like to put it in the next newsletter. Opal suggested to plan for the January edition, deadline the end of January. He Laura, UW rep has been not responsive but a guy at Montana Tech has been interested. John asked if we could comp the first year membership for anyone one who would like to be a liaison. Montana Stormwater conference next May – he's let them know we are interested in sponsoring.
4. Utah – Nothing to report.
5. North Dakota – Nothing new in ND. The state DOT training is still scheduled at this time. Nothing new at state agencies, they are all working remotely.
6. South Dakota – Not much to report, not aware of any regulatory changes.
7. Colorado – Colorado Springs has a new Stormwater Construction Manual and a GES permit that will be effective on December 1. There are some things that will be challenging.



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**Old Business**

1. Annual Conference – Total as of Monday was 69 that registered. Two sessions this week had a revegetation and a mining session. Both seemed good. To gain access to those you need to register then you can access via EHub under the R1 website. MSC also has a link to register. We only had two sponsors. Todd felt that the pricing was too high for the sponsors. Ron expressed that a virtual booth will be difficult as you won't be able to talk to anyone. In order to get sponsors, there must be some type of created value in order for it to be worthwhile to that company.
2. National Conference – it has been announced that it will be virtual. The exhibit hall will also be virtual, not sure how it will work.
3. Website – No changes on the website but if there is anything you want to post send it to Todd. Opal asked if the bios were posted, Todd indicated that we could do that, but it has not been done yet.
4. University Partners – See discussion for Montana. Regarding paying the first year membership, most agreed that it would help to get things started. Ross motioned and John seconded to go ahead and pay the first year for anyone who is interested. Motion passed. Ross suggested that we either continue after the first year if it is successful or offer them a student rate.
5. Elections – So far we have had 31 people vote so far. 4 people running for at large board. Vote of confidence on three state reps. Voting ends Tuesday November 24. New positions will take effect Jan 1, 2021.

**New Business**

1. Chapter affiliation agreement changes – R1 has decided that chapters are not doing their reporting on time. If we don't get them in the admin fees will be going up (double) and more. Reports include chapter activity report for past year, chapter plan for next year, financial report for last year, financial budget for next year, change in board members once elections, I90N to IRS and pay corporate license to state. If we are in arrears 180 days, then they can recommend that the chapter president be replaced.
2. Election and Board Positions – At the January meeting board will elect the board positions, so think about what positions you may want to do. Officers include president, vice president of membership, vice president of administration, secretary, and treasurer
3. Year-end reports and Next year projections – See discussion under chapter affiliation above. Think about projections for next year. Opal will send the reports to Todd so he can help get them going.
4. R1 Member get a member drive – for every member you get you get discount on ehub presentations. This is unlimited on the number of members you get. Among top recruiters, they will give away conference pass or \$100 gift card. To be considered a new member, their previous membership must



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have lapsed for at least 6 months. You can find the list of current and past members on the website. Email addresses listed may or may not be good.

5. Next Month's meeting – Question to whether we should have one. Suggested we can discuss next years projections. Also have more informal and have new board there. It was decided we can do that and not have state reporting.

*Kathy made a motion to adjourn and ross seconded. Motion passed, and meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:29 am.*

**Next Board Meeting is scheduled for Friday December 18, 2020 zoom/teleconference only.**