

Meeting Notes  
Board of Directors Meeting  
South Atlantic States Section  
Air & Waste Management Association

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Date: February 20, 2019  
Duration: Call to Order at 4:03 pm; Adjourned at 4:56 pm  
Location: Teleconference

Attendees:  
Stephanie Phillips  
Ryan Christman  
Mike Kosusko  
Bob Hall  
Flint Webb  
Ashley Sapyta  
Steve Frysinger  
Chris Geraghty  
Ann Quillian  
Mara Zimmerman  
Corey Mocka

**1. Approval of Agenda (Chris Geraghty)**

- a. Approved

**2. Approval of January 2019 Meeting Minutes (Chris Geraghty)**

- a. Approved

**3. SASS Annual Meeting – Doodle Survey Best Time = Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1200-130p (Chris Geraghty)**

- a. Annual Meeting will take place during the Air Quality Measurement Methods and Technology Conference in Durham, NC
- b. A conference line will be set up for those that cannot make it

**4. Chapter Reports**

- a. Baltimore-Washington Chapter (Flint Webb)
  - i. Viewing of the carbon training program webinar tomorrow (2/21)
  - ii. Face-to-face board meeting in March at the Guinness brewery (open to RTP Chapter members)
  - iii. Ethics class in April, and a regulatory update in May
  - iv. A new treasurer has been elected to the board
- b. Research Triangle Park Chapter (Mike Kosusko)
  - i. First technical meeting was 2/19 at NCDEQ. GenX was the topic, and 36 people attended.
  - ii. Young professionals event in Raleigh on 2/20
  - iii. April meeting is April 24 with scholarship winners for travel to Quebec. There have been no applicants yet
- c. South Carolina Chapter (Ashley Sapyta)
  - i. First event scheduled for next Tuesday, a workshop to meet the SCDHEC local inspectors for Greenville, Spartanburg, Cherokee, and Pickens counties. It appears there will be good turnout so far

- ii. Board meeting the first week of March to discuss the workshop and whether it should be repeated in other areas of the state
- d. NCSU Student Chapter (Chris Frey)
  - i. No Update
- e. JMU Student Chapter (Stephen Frysinger)
  - i. Younger students are showing an interest in the Chapter

## 5. Committee Reports

- a. Membership – (Chris Geraghty)
  - i. Holding steady from last month
  - ii. Overall membership up 3 members
  - iii. Engage local communities, tell people about what we're doing in the chapters, etc.
  - iv. EPA has joined A&WMA as an Organizational Member. Anyone who is a government employee and works for the EPA in any location can join A&WMA for under \$100.
- b. Social Media/Website (Chris Geraghty/Diana Ortiz-Montalvo/Stephanie Phillips)
  - i. Email sent to committee to manage the social media and sass website
  - ii. Diana and Stephanie are website managers
    - 1. Members from different chapters to provide updates for chapters
    - 2. Stephanie will be representing SC, Tiffany Dillow representing Baltimore, still looking for someone to represent RTP
- c. Education (Flint Webb)
  - i. Joint meeting regarding student PM and Ozone monitors, Elizabeth will provide training the teachers and has invited A&WMA members to attend. This will provide additional resources for the teachers. EPA may participate in the effort.
- d. Finance & Internal Auditing, Annual Reporting (Clara Poffenberger)
  - i. Annual reporting due at the end of March
  - ii. Past Chair (Corey Mocka responsible for annual report)
  - iii. Current balance: \$30, 948
- e. A&WMA BOD Updates (Corey Mocka)
  - i. No updates

## 6. Old Business

- a. Draft Membership Survey (see link: [Draft Survey](#)) - (Chris Geraghty/Corey Mocka)
  - i. Objectives were to gather information from our members and determine how best we could add value to their membership, keep them engaged, etc.
  - ii. Key questions include how involved members are, what members want and expect from local chapters, how members prefer to get together, how to get members engaged that aren't associated with chapters
  - iii. Requested ideas or suggestions on how best to distribute to members to get a good response rate? Via text or email?
  - iv. Board members to look at survey before next meeting to provide additional feedback
- b. Student Chapters and SASS Support (Chris Geraghty/Flint Webb)
  - i. SASS did not provide support to student chapters for 2018 ACE due to budget concerns
  - ii. 4 students submitted papers for 2019 ACE (2 from NC and 2 from SC)
  - iii. A decision on funding scholarships for 2019 ACE must be delayed until budget is established during the April 4 BOD meeting
  - iv. Start tracking whether or not the scholarship winners remain active in A&WMA

1. Try to get students involved in the club and student chapter by looking at NC State students in the Environmental Science department who are working on their senior thesis. They can present at a conference and then be invited to be a part of the chapter

## **7. New Business**

- a. Upcoming A&WMA Webinar
  - i. Webinar on carbon training update from 1-2:30pm
  - ii. Discuss the western climate initiative
- b. Upcoming Conferences:
  - i. Air Quality Models Conference – Durham, NC (March 19-21)
  - ii. Environment Virginia Symposium – Lexington, VA (March 26-28)
  - iii. Air Quality Measurement Methods and Technology Conference – Durham, NC (April 1-4)
- c. A&WMA Annual Leadership Training Academy (April 12-14) – Pittsburgh, PA
  - i. Price is now \$400
  - ii. SASS typically sponsors 1 attendee from the Board
- d. Tech Council Liaison (Flint Webb)
  - i. Position open