

WateReuse Quarterly Meeting Minutes 1/10/18

0. Eat and Visit
1. Welcome and Introductions: Introductions around the table
2. Approval of the Agenda: Item 6- Award Scholarships moved forward to after item 3. Approved.
3. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2017: No comments, Approved

6. Award Scholarships: There were many great applications for scholarships this year, so six awards were presented instead of the originally planned four. Scholarships for \$1,000 were granted to Graduate Students: Fernanda Bacaro, Alisson Luiz Boeing, John Gonzales, and Harshad Oswal, as well as Undergraduate Students: Yesika Otano Alonso and Hannah Woods.

4. Finance / Treasurer's Report: Balance is \$124k after the scholarships.
5. President's / Past President's Report:
 - a. Dan noted that the WateReuse Association activities include:
 - i. working to preserve the tax exempt status of advance refunding and private activity bonds.
 - ii. pushing for increased budget funding for Title XVI, WIFIA, and state revolving funds.
 - iii. helped produce and promote Priorities for the Nation's Water Infrastructure - <http://www2.apwa.net/Documents/Advocacy/Water-Policy-Booklet-FINAL.pdf>
 - iv. realizing increased membership, up 15% over last year, to a current total membership of 484.
 - v. is now producing a weekly newsletter called WateReuse Review, for which we are encouraged to provide information for inclusion.
 - b. Finances for the WateReuse Association
 - i. The Association had a net loss of \$141k last year due to staffing changes and a last minute conference cancellation.
 - ii. Dues revenues were strong at \$1.22M (\$412k of which will be returned to the State Sections), exceeding expectations by 9%.
 - iii. Association reserves remain strong at \$899k.
 - iv. The Board approved a new budget for \$1.94M. Expenses were budgeted to match expected revenues, so a "balanced" budget.
 - c. Dan summarized the calendar of upcoming events. CA Symposium March 25-27, 2018, Water Research Foundation Conference May 7-8, 2018, and the WateReuse Symposium September 9-12, 2018 (Austin, TX).
7. Committees
 - a. Public Education and Outreach:
 - i. Have a budget of \$500 to spend on give-a-way items, doing count on current inventory of items.
 - ii. Will consider hosting a booth at the Spring Wash Green Up
 - iii. Presented a flyer designed by the committee for the Wash Green Up and other events.

- iv. Proposed to sponsor the NWRA conference at the Silver Level (\$1,000). Motion made, seconded, and approved.
 - b. Regulatory and Policy: Cory noted the committee is tracking industry regulations:
 - i. Colorado has a goal to have Direct Potable Reuse regulations within two years. They are aiming for flexibility to allow for technology advancement by leaving details to policy, but outreach is a requirement.
 - ii. California: Expert panel made recommendations, which are being researched prior to regulations being drafted.
 - iii. Arizona: Committees formed to recommend reclaimed water regulations to AZDEQ. Considering DPR usage and treatment requirements for A and A+ reclaimed water.
 - iv. WateReuse webcasts available at: <https://watereuse.org/water-reuse-101/webcasts/>
 - c. Awards: no update
 - d. Investments: Dan on committee, recommending conservative approach.
 - e. Website Coordination: Pictures of scholarship recipients and link to webcasts will be added to website
- 8. Roundtable
 - a. NWRA is sponsoring a Career Shadow Day with students from UNLV in March. A group matches students to mentors in the water industry. Dan will email group to ask for students and potential mentors. Times and days are flexible between the student and mentor, but last year included a 4 hour shadowing opportunity.
- 9. Next meeting 04/11/18
- 10. Adjourn 1:00 pm