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## January 2021 Membership Meeting Minutes

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Location: Zoom Call

Date: Thursday January 21, 2021

Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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### 10:00 – 10:10 AM

Welcome and Introductions by Phone

Attendees: Ty Long, Frank Johns, Brandi Honeycutt, Aliza Furneaux, Laura Belanger, Anya Kaufmann, Austa Parker, Michael Henley, Ben Stanford, Alex Gerling, John Rehling, Donene Dillow, Eric Dole, Dave Takeda, Ronda Sandquist, Shaun Thompson, Bret Eastberg, Wes Martin, Kevin Linder, Jason Assouline, Michael Bourke, Scott Summers, Damian Higham, Tyler Nading, Matt Benak, Shannon Spurlock, John Handzo, Bob Peters, Stephanie Riley, Kyria Bosma, Jill Vandegrift, Erin Carr, and Allegra da Silva

### 10:10 – 10:20 AM

Alex Gerling

Admin Items

- a. New members
  - Kevin Linder (Aurora Water) – welcome!
  
- b. Financial Updates
  - Using funds for DPR project
  - Financial position is better than expected because of membership dues
  - Laura Belanger – moved to approve income and expense sheet
  - Bob Peters – seconded
  - Unanimously approved
  
- c. Approve November Meeting Minutes and Financials

Frank Johns – moved to approve November meeting minutes  
Laura Belanger – seconded  
Unanimously approved

**10:20 – 10:35 AM**

Brandi Honeycutt

CDPHE Updates

a. Reg 84 Updates

Compliance “office hours” offered by CDPHE for treaters and end users  
Suggestion by Wes Martin to make it quarterly occurrence

b. Reg 84 Stakeholder Working Group Updates

Phase 1 – Revised Regulation 84 draft is being internally reviewed; hope to get it out to stakeholders in the next week or two for review and comment; comment period will extend until April or May 2020; Phase 1 was about readability and reducing redundancies  
Phase 2 stakeholder process – dates for meetings will be released soon; Phase 2 involves how to add new uses in a less burdensome process  
Rulemaking in 2022

**10:35 – 10:40 AM**

John Rehring

National Updates

a. National Symposium March 15-25<sup>th</sup>, virtual

Recognize Donene as National Rep over the past several years

WRA priorities: implementation of the EPA National Water Reuse Action Plan; reauthorize and increase Title XVI funding; funding for Alternative Water Source Grants program; and develop interagency working group for water reuse

WRA engagement with state sections: change from section “bylaws” to a different formal structure; discussion of liability insurance and state registration (WRCO does have both of these currently)

**10:40 – 10:50 AM**

Austa Parker

DPR Rulemaking Project Updates

a. Updates

Thanks to Laura Belanger for her past service in shepherding the process, contracting, etc.  
December 2020 – Lisa Carlson (facilitator) started work on the project; have set up a Steering Committee to get project kicked off; expect a stakeholder meeting invite from CDPHE (meeting will be in March 2021); overall schedule will be 18 months of stakeholder meetings followed by formal rulemaking; contact Brandi Honeycutt, Austa Parker, or Laura Belanger with questions

People who were not involved in the past DPR project and want to be notified of stakeholder process info should contact Brandi Honeycutt ([brandi.honeycutt@state.co.us](mailto:brandi.honeycutt@state.co.us))

**10:50 – 11:00 AM**

Ty Long

## Award Committee Needs

## a. Looking for volunteers

Volunteer to “own” the awards committee – **Jill Vandegrift**Support volunteers – **Bob Peters** (can connect to Metro Roundtable), **Austa Parker, Ty Long, Scott Summers**Reach out to Jill Vandegrift ([vandegriftj@cdsmith.com](mailto:vandegriftj@cdsmith.com)) to join the committee**11:00 – 11:10 AM**

Ty Long

## Future Meeting Logistics

## a. Virtual vs. in-person

Some members are barred from in-person meetings for the time being

During the May meeting, discuss format for September and November meetings

Consensus that a hybrid platform is needed even for in-person meetings

## b. Increase remote attendance capabilities.

Consider purchasing mic/speaker; need to understand logistics for different locations ahead of time

Consider portable 360 camera in addition to the portable mic(s); purchase of equipment has already been approved in a past meeting; consider using individual laptop cameras for video if needed (or just use screen-sharing for slides and files, rather than video of people attending)

**11:10 – 11:20 AM**a. [National Conference](#)

March 15-25th, virtual

Discounted rate Register by Feb1st for membership discount

Will be a blend of pre-recorded sessions (March 1 – April 22) and live roundtables with breakout rooms; live roundtables will be recorded and will be viewable until April 22

**11:20 – 11:40 AM**

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## a. Drought

Is this an opportunity for advocacy?

Aurora Water will need to run the IPR train hard this year as a result; going through maintenance

[WIFIA financing approved for several new reuse-related projects](#)

## b. File Sharing

Send files to [watereusecolorado@gmail.com](mailto:watereusecolorado@gmail.com)

c. New standing agenda items

Agricultural reuse in Colorado (Denver Water is considering a demonstration pilot on agricultural water reuse)

d. Water Plan & BIP

Bob Peters will reach out regarding input to the Basin Implementation Plans on this topic and others; BIP for the South Platte should be out for public comment in June 2021; includes 4 overarching themes and a dozen goals under that  
BIP for Arkansas may include water reuse themes from Colorado Springs (per Laura Belanger)

e. PFAS (PFOA/PFOS and beyond)

Big concern for Aurora Water as we move toward DPR

Need to monitor policy trends around wastewater effluent (and challenges to biosolids land application); pencil in speaker on the topic for the July meeting; Allegra to work with Ty on it

Michigan update on PFAS requested from Scott Summers

The Analyst, a quarterly journal of the Association of Water Technologies, had an article by Katie Jones, et al. (Dewberry, engineering company) that gave a nice overview on the PFAS/PFOS subject. I would be happy to share the article if anyone is interested. If yes, please send an email to [mdhenleywater@gmail.com](mailto:mdhenleywater@gmail.com).

f. Social Media

Discussion about the value of being present in LinkedIn; moderator role (sharing the responsibility)

Proposal to develop a social media plan (short-term commitment); no volunteer stepped forward so we will revisit in the future

**11:40 – 11:50 AM**

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Upcoming Engagement Opportunities

a. EPA Water Reuse Action Plan – Implementation Step Continues

Check out the website for opportunities; update will be provided at the national conference as well

b. DPR stakeholder process

See notes above

c. Reg 84 stakeholder process

See notes above

11:55 AM – 12:00 PM

Ty Long

Next meeting March 11 (virtual).

Please send Ty Long ([TLong@rcac.org](mailto:TLong@rcac.org)) agenda items in advance of the meeting

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<u>Proposed Meeting Dates 2021</u>	
March 11 (Adjusted for WateReuse Symposium)	Virtual
May 20	Virtual
July 15	Virtual
September 16	TBD
November 18	TBD