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NDWEA 57th Annual Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2016

The North Dakota Water Environment Association (NDWEA) held its annual business meeting on Thursday, October 13, 2016 at the Holiday Inn in Minot North Dakota. President Gary Zuroff called the meeting to order.

The 2015 NDWEA annual meeting minutes were published in the Official Bulletin. President Zuroff asked if there were any objections to dispensing with the reading of the minutes. There were no objections. Karla Olson made a motion to dispense with the reading and approval of the minutes as published. Rick Gillund seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Bill Gefroh was called upon by President Zuroff to present the Secretary-Treasurer’s report. As of August 16, 2016 the NDWEA has a general fund balance of $12,407.56. In 2015 at this time the balance was $11,699.03. The NDWEA membership is at 124, last year at this time it was 134. Seth Lynne made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s report. Wei Lin seconded the motion and the motion passed.

President Zuroff called upon Wei Lin from the Nomination Committee, to present the NDWEA nominations. The Nominating Committee members were Wei Lin, Jessica Wagner and Karl Rockeman. Mr. Lin reported for the open officer positions, the Nomination Committee has one nomination for the NDWEA Vice President Don Wald and for Professional Wastewater Operations Bill Sukalski. There were no nominations from the floor. Wei Lin read the nominations for the following slate of NDWEA officers for 2016/2017:

President: Michael Quamme
President-Elect: Marty Haroldson
Vice President: Don Wald
Secretary-Treasurer: Bill Gefroh
Delegate-Elect: Wei Lin 1st year of three-year term
Professional Wastewater Operations: Bill Sukalski
Past President: Jessica Wagner
Past President: Karl Rockeman
Past President: Gary Zuroff

Karla Olson moved that the nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for the nominated slate of announced officers. Seth Lynne seconded the motion and the motion passed.

At this time, President Michael Quamme became the Chief Officer of the NDWEA. President Michael Quamme presented Gary Zuroff with the President’s Service Award. With no further business Mr. Quamme asked for a motion to adjourn. Don Tucker made a motion to adjourn. Seth Lynne seconded the motion and Mr. Quamme adjourned the meeting.

Dr. Lynn Broaddus a member of the 2015-2016 Board of Trustees for the Water Environment Federation (WEF) did a short presentation at the Conference Banquet. She spoke about WEF’s strategic initiative to encourage innovation and continuous improvement in the water sector, in 2016 in partnership with the National Association of Clean Water Agencies, Water Environment Research Foundation, and Water Reuse, and with support from US EPA launched the Water Utility of the Future Recognition Program (UOTF). The UOTF Today Recognition Program encourages the adoption of UOTF principles (water reuse, watershed stewardship, beneficial biosolids reuse, community partnering & engagement, energy efficiency, energy generation & recovery, and nutrient & materials recovery) as the “Organizational Culture of the Future;” and enables participants across a broad range of capacities and capabilities to collaborate, learn, and continue to evolve as a unified sector. The UOTF concept was first introduced in 2013 to guide utilities of all sizes toward smarter, more efficient operations and a progression to full resource recovery with enhanced productivity, sustainability, and resiliency. At WEFTEC 2016, 61 utilities from across the globe received recognition. It should be noted that small utilities like Fond du Lac, Wisconsin were among the awardees. Recipients receive a flag that can be flown back at home for all to see.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Gefroh
NDWEA Secretary-Treasurer
Lynn Broaddus Bio

Lynn Broaddus is a member of the 2015-2016 Board of Trustees for the Water Environment Federation (WEF), an international organization of water quality professionals headquartered in Alexandria, Va.

Lynn is president and founder of Broadview Collaborative, Inc., a private sector endeavor that assists clients with sustainability issues around water, energy, and food. She is the former Director of the Environment Program of the Johnson Foundation at Wingspread where she was charged with re-shaping the Foundation’s environmental programming. In that role she directed a number of water-related reports, including the nationally-recognized “Navigating to New Shores,” that was released at WEFTEC 2014, and the nutrient management and recovery guide that she wrote in cooperation with WEF.

Prior to joining The Johnson Foundation, she served for six years as executive director of Milwaukee Riverkeeper® and spent 12 years working for The Nature Conservancy and a related organization, NatureServe, where she negotiated the first set of national data sharing agreements among the nation’s Natural Heritage Programs in all 50 states and the Navajo Nation.

Earlier career experiences included energy conservation program work in the low-income neighborhoods of Lawrence, Mass., and teaching biology and mathematics in rural Virginia. She is currently board chair of the River Network and vice chair of the Board of Visitors of the Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies at the University of Wisconsin.

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The 88th Annual Meeting of the North Dakota Water and Pollution Control Conference (NDWPCC) was held October 11, 12, and 13, 2016, at the Holiday Inn, Minot, North Dakota. The annual meeting/convention was held jointly with the North Dakota Chapter of the American Public Works Association (NDCAPWA), the North Dakota Water Environment Association (NDWEA), the North Dakota Section of the American Water Works Association (NDAWWA), and the North Dakota Chapter of the North American Stormwater and Erosion Control Association (NASECA-ND).

There was a pre-conference Small Water System Workforce Development training session Monday, October 10, 2016, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Mediterranean Room of the Holiday Inn, 220 Burdick Expressway East, Minot, ND. The NDAWWA Education and Research Committee was also scheduled at 7:30 p.m., Monday, in the Mediterranean Room.

Board meetings were held Tuesday, October 11, 2016, by NDAWWA at 7:30 a.m. in the Mediterranean Room, NDCAPWA at 8:00 a.m. in Forum Room, NDWEA at 8:00 a.m. in the Ionian Room, and NASECA-ND at 10:30 a.m. in the Atrium Board Room. The associations planned their business meetings, gave committee reports, and accepted volunteers for committees. Association business meetings were held Tuesday, October 11th (NDAWWA); Wednesday, October 12th (NDCAPWA); and Thursday, October 13th (NDWEA and NDWPCC).

North Dakota Department of Health (NDDH) Water and Waste Water Certification Exams were written Tuesday, October 11, 2016, from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Aegean Room. Wastewater Operator pH Certification training was held 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the Oasis Lounge. Registration opened at 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 11, 2016, with Patty Carman and Ivana Striebel welcoming all attendees. A total of 388 preregistered with final attendance being 416.

The Joint Board of Directors of the NDWPCC, NDCAPWA, NDWEA, NDAWWA, and NASECA-ND met at 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 11, 2016, in the Mediterranean Room with NDWPCC President Seth Lynne presiding. The meeting was called to order at 9:34 a.m. with the following board members and guests in attendance: Mike Berg, Mike Brisben, David Bruschwein, Tracy Eslinger, Joe Ferguson, Erik Gilbertson, Rick Gillund, Fred Goetz, Dallas Grossman, Kellen Grubb, Marty Haroldson, Shawn Heinle, Jeff Heintz, Jeff Hruby, Derek Kannenberg, Wei Lin, Seth Lynne, Lance Meyer, Dana Morton, Tim Paustian, Meredith Quinn, Michael Quamme, Jake Schafer, Jeannie Schultz Mock, Luci Snowden, Matt Sperry, Don Wald, Greg Wavra, Adam Zach, and Gary Zuroff.

For the first item of business, President Lynne entertained a motion to dispense with reading of the minutes from the May 17, 2016, Joint Board Meeting at the Ramkota Hotel, Bismarck, and approved the minutes mailed to all board members and published in the 2016 Conference Issue of the Official Bulletin. Rick Gillund so moved. Lance Meyer seconded, and the motion carried.

Next, President Lynne called for the Treasurer’s report. Mike Brisben read the January 1, 2016, to August 31, 2016, NDWPCC financial report, which showed a net income of $4,553.49 and total assets of $124,951.54. President Lynne asked for any discussion. Hearing none, President Lynne called for a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report. Tracy Eslinger so moved. Don Wald seconded, and the motion carried.

Moving to old business, President Lynne called for discussion on future conferences. Mr. Brisben indicated that the conference moves to Fargo, October 17, 18, and 19, 2017, to Grand Forks in 2018, and Bismarck in 2019. Mr. Brisben also noted that tentative dates have been scheduled through 2024.

Next, President Lynne called for a report on the YP Poster Competition. Kellen Grubb, Acting Chair, NDAWWA YP Committee, reported that one poster would be available for comment Wednesday during the exhibitor program.

Next, President Lynne called for a report on the Tuesday evening entertainment. Lance Meyer indicated that the Deuces Wild-Dueling Pianos would be performing between 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. in the Exhibition, Rhodes, and Mediterranean Rooms. Mr. Meyer noted that approximately $4,100 had been raised to help offset the cost. Mr. Brisben noted that any excess money would be carried over for next year’s conference.

President Lynne called for any other old business. Hearing none, President Lynne asked for volunteers for the NDWPCC Officer’s Nominating Committee. Mike Berg, Joe Ferguson, and Lance Meyer agreed to serve as committee members.
Greg Wavra asked for volunteers to sell mulligans at the golf tournament to raise money for Water for People. Gary Zuroff indicated Lynn Broaddus would be unable to attend the NDWEA business luncheon Thursday and would give a brief update on WEF activities during the awards ceremony. Mr. Wavra also asked for volunteers to collect lunch tickets and scan barcodes during the association’s business luncheons and educational sessions.

President Lynne asked for any other new business. Jake Schafer, OB Editor, presented a proposal for upgrades to the software for publishing the OB. Tim Paustian moved to purchase the upgrades. Rick Gillund seconded. President Lynne called for any discussion. Tracy Eslinger asked for a breakdown of costs. Mr. Schafer indicated that the upgrades and licensure would be a one-time purchase of approximately $2,000-2,500 versus $2,500 per issue should Image Printing provide the service. President Lynne called for a vote. The motion carried.

Next, President Lynne called for volunteers for the NDWPCC Auditing Committee. Mr. Brisben noted that the committee would meet prior to the January 2017 Joint Board Meeting in Bismarck. Rick Gillund, Wei Lin, and Gary Zuroff agreed to serve.

Next, President Lynne called for nominations for life membership to be voted on at the Thursday, October 13, 2016, NDWPCC Business Meeting. Jeff Heintz nominated Mel Bullinger and Keith Demke from Bismarck. President Lynne called for any other nominees.

Hearing none, President Lynne asked for an update on conference activities. Mr. Brisben indicated activities were listed in the program and included pre-conference training, the annual golf tournament, facility tours, three concurrent sessions, the exhibitor program, and the awards banquet.

Next, President Lynne called for topics and presenters for the spring training sessions and the 2017 annual conference.

Next, President Lynne asked for any other new business.

Hearing none, President Lynne called for a motion to adjourn. Luci Snowden so moved. Matt Sperry seconded, and the meeting closed at 9:51 a.m.

Water samples for the 25th Annual Water Taste Test, sponsored by NDAWWA were accepted throughout the day Tuesday with eight public water systems competing. The Tuesday luncheon and NDAWWA business meeting were held in the Exhibition and Rhodes Rooms with NDAWWA Chair, Meredith Quinn, presiding. Minot Mayor, Chuck Barney, welcomed all attendees on behalf of Minot and Ms. Quinn welcomed all on behalf of the joint boards. Guest speaker, Jeanne Bennett-Bailey, President, AWWA, updated the members on AWWA national activities.

The annual golf tournament was cancelled due to inclement weather with Jason Sorenson and Rick Hair handling local arrangements.

The Tuesday afternoon concurrent sessions started at 1:30 p.m. and the Minot facility tours at 2:00 p.m. with Mark Peterson, Trustee, NDAWWA; Don Tucker, Past-President, NDWEA; and Joe Ferguson, President-Elect, NDWPCC, moderating. Thirty-five attendees participated in the public works facility tours.

The three sessions were held in the Aegean, Ionian, and Mediterranean Rooms. Tuesday’s topics included:

- “Advancements in Chemical Feed Systems for Water Treatment” – Harvey Gullicks, Senior Project Manager, AE2S.
- “Well Field and Treatment Plant Improvements for the City of Rolla”- Dan Portlock, Project Engineer, Moore Engineering.
- “Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) and New Technology” – Gene Jordan, Account Manager, DSG.
- “RTCR-First Six Months” – Jeni Walsh, Environmental Scientist, and Josh Seerup, Environmental Scientist, NDDH.
- “Prioritizing WWTP Improvements in Uncertain Regulatory Times” – DelRon Peters, Sr. Wastewater Project Manager, HDR.
- “Mandan WWTF Improvements” – Jason Benson, Project Manager, AE2S.
- “Dickinson Wastewater Beneficial Reuse” – Gary Zuroff, Public Works Director, Dickinson; Greg Stack, Dickinson Water Reclamation Facility Manager; and Scott Schneider, Operations Manager, Apex Engineering Group.
- “Moorhead Biosolids Treatment, Disposal and Resource Recovery” – NDSU WEFTEC Design Team, AWWA/WEF Student Chapter.
- “Mouse River Enhanced Flood Protection – Minot Phases 2 & 3” – Jason Westbrock, Vice President, Barr Engineering.
- “Building a Meandering Stream in Fargo – Integrating Stormwater Management with Passive Recreation” – Jeff Hruby, Civil Practices Director, AE2S.

The 3:00 p.m. break was held in the Exhibition and Rhodes Rooms with all breaks sponsored by the business firms, vendors, and commercial suppliers listed in the program. A Tuesday night buffet was held from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Exhibition, Rhodes, and Mediterranean Rooms with Deuces Wild/Dueling Pianos providing entertainment from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Early set up for the 28th Annual Exhibitor Program was from 3:00 to 10:00 p.m. on Tuesday in the Coliseum. Late set up was from 7:00 to 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 12, 2016. Display hours were from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. with 71 firms/suppliers reserving 78 booths. A breakfast buffet sponsored by the exhibitors was held from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. along with a breakfast buffet poker game. Poker hands were turned in at the NDWEA booth and the registration table, with winners announced at the Thursday, NDWEA business luncheon. Poker dealers included Ackerman-Estvold; AE2S; Apex Engineering Group; KLJ; Leggette, Brashears, and Graham; Moore Engineering; and Opworks. The following business firms, suppliers and associations participated in the exhibitor program: NDAWWA, NDWEA, Ackerman-Estvold; DSG; Larson Data; Tech Sales; Quality Flow Systems; Normont Equipment; Agrem, LLC; Flexible Pipe Tool Company; Bartlett & West; Kasco; Vessco; KLM Engineering; Granse/Trio Sales; Hawkins; Widseth Smith Nolting; Swanston Equipment; Bolton & Menk; EJ; NDRWSA; Ferguson Waterworks; ESS Brothers & Sons; Thein Well; Moore Engineering; Northwestern Power Equipment; Kodru-Mooney; Public Finance Authority/NDDH SRF; KLJ; American Flow Control; Sanitation Products; Tnemec/Coating Resources; S. Roberts Co.; Interstate Engineering; NDSU/NDLTAP/NASECA-ND; General Repair Service; Treatment Resources; Fischer, Harris, and Assoc.; Houston Engineering, Van Bergen & Markson; AE2S; HDR; Wells Concrete; Ulteig Engineering; ND Sewage Pump & Lift Station Service; Kemper Construction; Terracon Consultants; HD Supply Waterworks; American AVK; Engineered Sales; Opworks; Victaulic; Advanced Drainage Systems; Brock White Company; Great Northern Environmental; HACH; Ellingson Companies; Legette, Brashears & Graham; MVTL Laboratories; Northern Pipe Products; Integrated Process Solutions; Apex Engineering Group; Yellowstone Waterworks; ABM Equipment; Dakota Pump and Control; SEH; and Preferred Controls.
The NDCAPWA luncheon and business meeting was held at 12:00 noon in the Exhibition and Rhodes Rooms with NDCAPWA President, Jeff Heintz, presiding.

The Wednesday concurrent sessions started at 1:30 p.m. with Fred Goetz, Trustee, NDAWWA; Michael Quamme, President-Elect, NDWEA; and Eric Gilbertson, Director, NDCAPWA moderating.

Wednesday’s topics included:

- “Community Engineer Core” – Jeanne Bennett-Bailey, President, AWWA.
- “Gimmicks and Gadgets: Water Treatment Operation and Maintenance” – Justin Andre, North Prairie Rural Water District; Joe Ferguson, City of Grand Forks; Mitchell Kersting, City of Williston; Cal Oldenburg, AE2S; and Adam Zach, AE2S.
- “Asbestos: Identification, Hazards and Regulations” – Jane Kangas, Environmental Scientist, NDDH.
- “National and State Lead and Copper Update” – Jeanne Bennett-Bailey, President, AWWA and Amy Kinzler, Environmental Scientist, NDDH.
- “NDDH Spill Investigations Program” – Bill Suess, Environmental Scientist, NDDH.
- “Wastewater Treatment and Collection Panel” – Bill Gefroh, City of Bismarck; Seth Lynne, Apex Engineering Group; Wayne Offerdahl, City of Fargo; Greg Stack, City of Dickinson; Gary Zuroff, City of Dickinson; and Karla Olson, Apex Engineering Group.
- “Minot’s Sanitary Sewer System Improvements” – Dan Jonasson, Public Works Director, City of Minot and Tim Paustian, Project Manager, Apex Engineering Group.
- “UV Disinfection of Wastewater Effluent” – Wei Lin, Assistant Professor, NDSU; Seth Lynne, Associate, Apex Engineering Group; Don Tucker, WWT Superintendent, City of Fargo; and Ursinio Puga, Graduate Student, NDSU.
- “Alternative Project Finance and Delivery-Concepts and Potential for Infrastructure Development” – Kevin Martin, Principal/St. Project Manager, Houston Engineering.
- “Oil Field Issues and Waste Management” – Steve Tillotson; Solid Waste, Recycling and Pollution Prevention Program Manager, NDDH.

Attendees met at 3:00 p.m. in the Exhibition and Rhodes Rooms for an afternoon break.

A social hour was held from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Exhibition, Rhodes, and Mediterranean Rooms prior to the awards banquet. The following companies graciously sponsored the social hour, door prizes, coffee breaks, and golf tournament: AE2S, Apex Engineering Group, Bartlett & West, Bolton & Menk, DSG, EJ, Electric Pump, Ellingson Companies, Ferguson Waterworks, HD Supply Waterworks, Houston Engineering, Hughes Lift Station Servies, Interstate Engineering, Jet-Way Multiple Services, KLJ, KLM Engineering, Moore Engineering, ND Sewage Pump & Lift Station Service, Quality Flow Systems, SEH, Team Lab, Van Bergen & Markson, and Vessco.

The annual banquet and awards ceremony was held in the Exhibition, Rhodes, and Mediterranean Rooms with 246 members and guests in attendance. Dave Lainer served as master of ceremonies introducing the officers and dignitaries at the head table and calling on Terry Rust to deliver the invocation.

After dinner, Mr. Lainer called on the visiting dignitaries to present the 2016 awards. Jeanne Bennett-Bailey, President, AWWA presented the Fuller Award to Tim Paustian, Project Manager, Apex Engineering Group and Operator Meritorious Award to Tom Nielson, Waterworks Superintendent, City of Mayville.

Next, Adam Zach, NDAWWA, announced the winners of the poster competition and Young Professional of the year award. Ursinio Puga was the poster winner and Michael Quamme was YP of the year. Mr. Zach, also drew the winners of the 15th Annual Water for People Raffle and announced that $8,835 was raised.

Next, Meredith Quinn, Chair, NDAWWA, announced that eight public water systems participated in the 25th Annual Water Taste Test with the City of Mandan being the 2016 winner.

Next, Lynn Broaddus, Board of Trustees, WEF, provided a brief update on WEF activities and presented Don Tucker, Wastewater Superintendent, City of Fargo, the Bedell Award and Rick Gillund, Public Works Director, City of Enderlin, the Hatfield Award.

Next, Gary Zuroff, President, NDWEA announced the winning poker hands and handed out the cash prizes.
Next, Keith Demke presided over the Select Society of Sanitary Sludge Shovelors Ceremony with Wei Lin, Karla Olson, Seth Lynne, and Don Tucker receiving awards.

Next, Jeff Heintz, President, NDCAPWA, announced the 2016 APWA Project of the Year Awards with the City of Medora and Highlands Engineering receiving the small system award and the City of Fargo and Houston Engineering receiving the large system award.

Next, Mike Brisben, NDDH, presented Operator of the Year Awards to Dave Fuchs, Public Works Supervisor, City of New Salem; Brian Harrington, Water Plant Manager, City of Carrington; Grace Rixen-Handford, Water Treatment Manager, Southwest Water Authority; and Jerry Tufte, Water and Wastewater Operator, City of Glenfield.

The Annual Public Works Directors’ and City Engineers’ meeting was held Thursday, October 13, 2016, at 7:30 a.m. in the Forum Board Room.

The three Thursday morning concurrent sessions started at 8:00 a.m. with Adam Zach, Chair Education and Research Committee, NDAWWA; Mike Berg, Director, NDWPCC; and Terry Halstengard, Board Member, NASECA-ND moderating.

Thursday’s topics included:

- “Moorhead Public Service High Service Pumping Station and Yard Piping” – Ken Demmons, Fargo Office Manager, HDR.
- “WIFA Funding Options” – Deon Stockert, Client Program Manager, AE2S.
- “Considerations for Low Capacity Well Fields” – Mike Plante; Associate/Hydrologist; Leggette, Brashears and Graham.
- “Applications, Planning and Design Considerations for Horizontal Directional Drilling” – Michael Quamme, Graduate Engineer, Apex Engineering Group.
- “Flood Protection Minot Water Treatment Plant” – Alan Kemmet, Principal/Project Engineer, Houston Engineering.
- “Drinking Water Program Update” – Greg Wavra, Drinking Water Program Manager; David Bruschwein, DWSRF Program Manager; and Shannon Fisher, CWSRF Environmental Engineer, NDDH.
- “Fix Before Failure Panel” – Jared Heller, AE2S; Wayne Offerdahl, City of Fargo; Terry Rust, City of West Fargo; and Don Wald, City of Wahpeton.
- “Upgrades to the Minot Wastewater Treatment Facility” – Seth Lynne, Associate, Apex Engineering Group and Jason Sorenson, Assistant Public Works Director, City of Minot.
- “Biosolids Alternatives” – Colin Marcusen, Senior Professional Engineer, SEH.
- “Agriculture Subirrigation of Processed Water” – Jeremy Meiners, Vice President, AGREM, LLC.
- “New and Emerging Erosion and Sediment Control” – Jim Merchlewitz, ADS; Caleb Daniels, Midwest Erosion Control; Greg Haverson, Brock White; and Mark Myro, ECB.
- “MS4 Permit Update” – Dallas Grossman, Environmental Engineer, NDDH.
- “Winter Stabilization Panel” – Mike Greer, City of Bismarck; Dallas Grossman, NDDH; Greg Haverson, Brock White; and Mark Myro, ECB.
- “Erosion Control Site Design” – Matt Sperry, Environmental Sciences Administrator, NDDOT and Matthew Stone, Assistant Professor, NDSU.

A break was held in the Exhibition and Rhodes Rooms at 10:00 a.m.

The joint business meetings and luncheon of the NDWEA and NDWPCC were held at 12:00 noon Thursday, October 13, 2016, with the NDWEA President Gary Zuroff and NDWPCC President Seth Lynne presiding. President Zuroff opened the NDWEA meeting at 12:10 p.m. with Bill Gefroh giving the NDWEA financial report and President Zuroff announcing the slate of officers.

President Lynne called the NDWPCC meeting to order at 12:18 p.m. As the first order of business President Lynne called for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the 2015 annual meeting in Bismarck and approve the minutes as published in the Official Bulletin, October-December 2015, Volume 103, Numbers 10-12. Tom Welle so moved. Dean Sletten seconded, and the motion carried.

Next, Mr. Brisben presented the 2016 NDWPCC financial report, showing a net income of $4,553.49 and total assets of $124,951.54. President Lynne, called for a motion to approve the financial report. Rick Gillund so moved. Dan Jonasson seconded, and the motion carried.
Next, President Lynne nominated Mel Bullinger and Keith Demke from Bismarck for life membership. President Lynne called for other nominations from the floor. Hearing none, President Lynne called for a motion to close nominations and the secretary to cast a unanimous ballot. Karla Olson so moved. Lance Meyer seconded, and the motion carried.

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Next, President Lynne read the slate of officers received from the nominating committee:

Joe Ferguson, President
Tracy Eslinger, President-Elect
Mike Berg, Vice-President
Wei Lin, Director
Sarah Volk, Director
Jacqueline DeMent, Director
Jim Lennington, Incoming Director
Lance Meyer, Associate Director
Mike Brisben, Secretary-Treasurer
Shawn Heinle, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

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Next, President Ferguson presented outgoing President Lynne the NDWPCC President’s Service Award and thanked him for his dedicated service.

President Ferguson called for a motion to close the meeting. Dan Jonasson so moved. Lance Meyer seconded, and the 88th Annual Meeting of the NDWPCC adjourned at 12:24 p.m., Thursday, October 13, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Brisben
Secretary-Treasurer
Residents in northern North Dakota can rely on permanent flood protection of their water supply during future flood events. The Minot Water Treatment Plant is protected with approximately 2,250 feet of concrete floodwalls and earthen levees. Just one of the many ways we’re protecting our communities and shaping your world.
Operator of the Year Awards

Thank you for your hard work!

The North Dakota Department of Health, in an effort to encourage proper operation and maintenance of water and wastewater systems, instituted an annual operator awards program in 1981 at the Annual North Dakota Water and Pollution Control Conference in Jamestown. This year marks the 36th anniversary of the awards program which has honored 192 operators and three military units (the U.S. Army Reserve, the ND Army National Guard, and the ND Air National Guard) for outstanding service.

The awards are based on:

1. Field and inspection reports.
2. Compliance with state and federal regulations.

Recipients of the 2016 Operator of the Year Awards are:

Dane Fuchs – City of New Salem
Dane worked as a John Deere mechanic for 26 years before starting with the city in 2002. Dane is the Public Works Supervisor and like most small systems he handles all aspects of water distribution, wastewater collection, and wastewater treatment. In 2003 city maps were updated and a wastewater lift station was added in 2009. Dane repairs and maintains city streets and does snow removal. He also maintains city facilities and grounds along with the city’s inert landfill and transfer station. Dane is a certified Grade 01 Water Distribution, Wastewater Treatment and Wastewater Collection Operator.

Brian Harrington – City of Carrington
Brian began work with the city in May of 1982 working for the Street Department and part-time at the Water Treatment Plant. He started working full-time at the water plant in 1995 and became the Water Plant Manager in 2000. He is the Assistant Public Works Director, has served on the Carrington Park Board and has helped with the chemical feed at the community swimming pool for 20 years. Brian is a certified Grade 03 Water Treatment, Grade 03 Water Distribution, and Grade 02 Wastewater Collection Operator.
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      Keith Fulsebakke, Bottineau  
      Don Horning, Zap  

      Operators of Agassiz Water Users  
      Gus Cronquist  
      Clark Cronquist  

      City of Grand Forks Wastewater Operators  
      (Storm and Wastewater Departments)  
      Thomas Helle  
      Kenneth Stevenson  
      Peter Aamold  
      Dennis Dunn  
      Robert Fetsch  
      Duane Fontaine  
      Gary Goetz  
      Dennis Gunderson  
      Edward Haskell  
      David Kresel  
      Thomas Mikelson  
      Lawrence Morrison  
      Carl Sherlock  
      Richard Winkels

2002  Arlis Bischoff, Grafton  
      Allan Kraft, Cavalier  
      Doug Neibauer, South Central Regional Water District  
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2001  Verdeen Backstrom, Minnewaukan  
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      Paul Lacina, Barnes Rural Water

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      Jim Fixen, Alexander  
      Ed Rekkedaal, Arvilla  
      Reuben Grosz, Bismarck

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      Tom Sieg, Anamoose  
      Ron Kleven, Grafton  
      Bill Emerson, Minot

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      Skip Rapp, Dickinson  
      Larry Thomas, Washburn  
      Gary Hager, Upper Souris Water Users

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      Les Sigette, McVille  
      Don Olafson, Valley City  
      Charles Jaszkowiak, Bismarck

1994  Gregg Christensen, Cass Rural Water Users  
      Gordon Johnson, North Valley Water Assoc.  
      Kerry Miller, Stanton  
      Virgil Sund, Oakes

1993  Jeff Huwe, Columbus  
      Clay Pettys, Lake Metigoshe Recreation Service Dept.  
      Richard Resell, Williston

1992  Dave Auch, Mandan  
      Joel Heitkamp, Southeast Water Users  
      Michael Schneider, Jr., Strasburg  
      Joseph Leo Tupa, Grand Forks
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Ingram Opp, New Salem  
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Dave Johnson, Washburn  
Marvin Johnson, Jamestown  
Harland Peterson, Carrington |
| 1986 | Dan Reiter, Minot  
Larry Thelen, South Central Regional Water District  
Bill Werle, Velva  
Jerry Zander, Mandan |
| 1985 | Ray Foss, Hillsboro  
Phil Furaus, Harvey  
Francis Leintz, Lisbon  
LaRay Reis, Lisbon  
Dwight Wurzbacher, Grand Forks |
| 1984 | Larry Boepple, Halliday  
Lester Carman, Bismarck  
Joe Roshau, Killdeer  
Beven Shaw, Williston |
| 1983 | Gary Armstrong, Rolla  
Cliff D’Heilly, Neche  
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Bill Mendewald, Hankinson  
John Muus, Grand Forks |
| 1981 | Marvin Baska, Mohall  
Alvin Carlson, Langdon  
Al Swanson, Jamestown  
Gene Thomas, McVille  
Casper Volk, Rugby |
ANNUAL OPERATOR TRAINING PROGRAM

The North Dakota Department of Health is pleased to announce the 57th Annual Professional Water and Wastewater Operator Training Program.

1. Objectives - These classes will fulfill the continuing education credit (CEC) requirement for certified operators. You will receive 12 CECs for each session attended. Roll will be taken during the sessions to verify attendance. Expect to hear presentations regarding regulations and how to avoid mistakes that can lead to non-compliance for your facility. This will include general operation and maintenance topics. The courses, however, are not geared specifically to prepare operators for certification exams.

2. Registration - Please preregister using the enclosed registration form, or complete your registration form online at http://www.ndhealth.gov/mf/ and mail or fax (701-328-6206) the printed copy. You may attend both water and wastewater sessions. Please indicate a second choice when selecting class sessions. Please make copies if more than one operator will be attending. A $20.00 registration fee payable to the North Dakota Water and Pollution Control Conference (NDWPCC) is required. This covers attendance at one or more sessions. A confirmation letter will be sent and must be presented at the time of registration. If you need to reschedule or cancel, please call Kelly Hochhalter at 701-328-6628.

3. Certification exams - A separate application form is required. An application form and directions are included, please fill out completely, or complete your application form online at http://www.ndhealth.gov/mf/ and mail to: ND Department of Health, 2639 E. Main Ave., Bismarck, ND 58501. Incomplete applications will be returned. Do not use previous applications. Signed applications must be received by the certification officer 15 DAYS before the examination date. Applications received after the deadline will be rejected. No walk-in exams will be allowed. Please make copies if more than one operator will be testing.

4. Registration for training sessions and application for certification exams are separate. Registration and exam fees cannot be combined. Rescheduling training and/or exams will be based on availability. Class size and exam seating are limited. Rescheduling a training session does not automatically reschedule your exam.

5. Membership - A $10.00 membership fee for the NDWPCC is optional. Membership includes the Official Bulletin and may be added to the total payment.

6. Location - All training sessions and certification exams will be held at the Environmental Training Center, 2639 East Main, Bismarck. Please park on the west or south side of the training center.

7. Chlorine Meter Training - (for applicable water operators) - This training is voluntary and will be offered prior to the water treatment and distribution sessions (see schedule). If you would like to participate please provide your own chlorine meter. For more information please call Bob Markhouse at 701-328-6623.

8. pH certification - (for applicable wastewater operators) - This will be offered in conjunction with the wastewater treatment training sessions (see schedule). For more information on the wastewater pH certification or to see if you should attend please call Sarah Waldron at 701-328-5237.
9. Sponsors -
- ND Department of Health
- ND Water and Pollution Control Conference
- ND Chapter of the American Public Works Association
- ND Section of the American Water Works Association
- ND Water Environment Association

10. Special needs - If you need special accommodations or more information, please call Mike Brisben at 701-328-6622.

11. A block of rooms at the Ramkota Hotel, 800 South 3rd Street, (701-258-7700) has been booked under Water and Wastewater Operator Training. If you elect to use the Ramkota Hotel, the rates are $81.90 (single) and $100.00 (double) plus tax. Other hotels based on availability include: Country Suites 701-258-4200, $80.10; Courtyard by Marriott 701-223-6667, $149.00; Expressway Inn 701-222-2900, $80.10; Expressway Suites 701-222-3311, $80.10; Fairfield Inn & Suites North 701-223-9077, $99.00; Fairfield Inn & Suites South 701-223-9293, $99.00; Holiday Inn 701-751-7330, $89.00; Radisson Hotel 701-255-6000, $99.00; Residence Inn 701-258-6088, $139.00; and Wingate by Wyndham 701-751-2373, 81.90.

12. Class Schedule:

Water Treatment and Distribution - in Bismarck.

February 27, 28 March 1, 2017
March 6, 7, and 8, 2017
March 20, 21, and 22, 2017
March 27, 28, and 29, 2017

Check in time for registration is 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. on February 27, March 6, 20, and 27. Exams are scheduled from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. on March 1, 8, 22, and 29.

Chlorine Meter Training - (for applicable water operators)

February 27, March 6, 20, and 27 at 10:00 a.m.

Wastewater Treatment and Collection - in Bismarck.

April 10, 11, and 12, 2017
April 17, 18, and 19, 2017

Check in time for registration is 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. on April 10 and April 17. Exams are scheduled from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. on April 12 and April 19.

pH Certification - (for applicable wastewater operators)

April 10 and 17 at 10:00 a.m.

13. Topics in Water Treatment and Distribution may include:


14. Topics in Wastewater Treatment and Collection may include:


15. All operators working in public water treatment and/or distribution systems which serve a population of 3,300 or less are eligible for reimbursement. Please pick up the appropriate forms during the training sessions. After payment to the North Dakota Water and Pollution Control Conference and/or state is made, you may apply for reimbursement.

16. The 2017 Registration Form and Application for Operator Certification exams can be located by clicking on calendar and publications on the Division of Municipal Facilities website at http://www.ndhealth.gov/mf/.

17. Questions:

2017 Registration
57th Annual Professional Water and Wastewater Operator Training Program

Name ____________________________________________
(Please Print Clearly)

Employer ____________________________________________

Employer’s Address ____________________________________________

City, State, Zip Code ____________________________________________

Home Address ____________________________________________

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Daytime Telephone Number ____________________________________________

Email Address ____________________________________________

Check below the sessions you wish to attend. PLEASE NOTE: CLASS ATTENDANCE IS LIMITED TO THE FIRST 60 REGISTRANTS. A confirmation letter must be presented at the time of check-in at the Environmental Training Center. Attendance will be required for the issuing of continuing education credits. Roll will be taken during the sessions to verify attendance.

Do not apply for certification exams on this form (a separate application form is enclosed).

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Manuals for sale (while supplies last):

- CSU Small Water System Operation and Maintenance ($50.00)
- CSU Water Treatment Plant Operation, Vol.1 ($50.00)
- CSU Water Treatment Plant Operation, Vol.2 ($50.00)
- CSU Water Distribution System Operation and Maintenance ($50.00)
- EPA Stabilization Pond Manual ($12.00)
- CSU Wastewater Collection System Operation and Maintenance, Vol.1 ($50.00)
- CSU Wastewater Collection System Operation and Maintenance, Vol.2 ($50.00)
- CSU Small Wastewater System Operation and Maintenance, Vol.1 ($50.00)
- CSU Small Wastewater System Operation and Maintenance, Vol.2 ($50.00)
- Operations of Wastewater Treatment Plant Vol. 1 ($50.00)
- Operations of Wastewater Treatment Plant Vol. 2 ($50.00)

Membership in ND Water and Pollution Control Conference (includes Official Bulletin - $10.00)

Subtotal

Registration Fee (covers attendance at one or more sessions) $ 20.00

Make check for training program, membership, and manuals payable to: Total

ND Water and Pollution Control Conference or NDWPCC
2639 East Main Avenue
Bismarck, ND 58501-1947

Department Use Only

DateReceived_________________________  AmountReceived_______________________
Cash MO or CK#_________________________  QB:  DB:  

OFFICIAL BULLETIN, October-December 2016
The ND Chapter of the American Public Works Association is soliciting nominations for the “2017 Project of the Year” Awards.

Any Public Works Project defined as the physical structures and facilities that are developed, owned, and maintained by public agencies to provide water, power, waste disposal, transportation, and similar public services in accordance with established public policy are eligible.

Criteria to be used in the selection process include demonstrating good construction techniques, safety, community relations, protecting the environment, unusual accomplishments, and additional conditions deemed important to the public works agency.

Award recipients and their Engineer will receive an APWA “Project of the Year” recognition plaque presented at the Banquet of the ND Water and Pollution Control Conference scheduled to be held in Fargo on October 18, 2017. Each project is eligible for nomination for the National APWA “Public Works - Project of the Year” competition. An award will be presented to projects serving communities of less than 5,000 and to communities serving more than 5,000 people. Nominations are due by May 8, 2017.

Submissions for consideration or questions concerning nominations should be addressed to:

Rick Gillund  
City of Enderlin  
112 9th Avenue  
Enderlin, ND 58027  
437-3461; cell 701-680-9031  
fax 437-3477  
baseball@mlgc.com
Arthur Sidney Bedell Award

The Arthur Sidney Bedell Award was established to acknowledge extraordinary personal service to a Member Association. The award is named for Arthur Sidney Bedell, the second president of the Federation who exemplified its purpose by his long devotion and service to the New York Water Environment Association. Qualification for the award is based on organization leadership, administrative service, membership activity and stimulation of technical functions.

This year’s Bedell Award recipient joined the Water Environment Federation in 2002 and has been an active member at the state level with the North Dakota Water Environment Association. He was the NDWEA President in 2012. He holds a Class 4 ND Wastewater Operator Certificate. He has given numerous presentations at the ND Water and Pollution Control Conference on wastewater treatment, collections, and computer modeling.

He was born and raised in Kalamazoo, Michigan and graduated from Hackett Catholic Central High School in 1984. He was an avid hockey player from the age of four and continued throughout high school and college where he played as a goalie.

In 1996, he graduated from the Michigan Kalamazoo Community College with an A.A.S degree where he majored in Pre-Engineering. In 1999, at the Western Michigan University he graduated with a BS degree in Physics with a minor in Mathematics with an emphasis in Environmental Geophysics.

He got his start in wastewater in the 1990’s when he took a summer job as an operator at the Kalamazoo wastewater plant. His summer job soon became permanent and he continued working year round while finishing his college education in Kalamazoo. He worked in Kalamazoo until he relocated to Grand Forks in 2001.

He was hired by the City of Grand Forks in 2001 as the Wastewater Treatment Supervisor and was promoted to the Superintendent in 2006. In 2014, he was hired by the City of Fargo as the Wastewater Plant Superintendent.

On a personal note, Don has three children and lives with his wife in downtown Fargo. In his spare time he enjoys Woody Allen movies, meandering through downtown Fargo pursuing the perfect cup of coffee and taking engineering courses at NDSU. It is rumored that he once disposed of a piece of fatty, oily, greasy food in his home garbage disposal – but he insists that no evidence of this incident exists.

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He graduated from Enderlin High School in 1978 and attended Valley City State University. After working for Kraemer Motors, in 1983 he was hired by the City of Enderlin, was promoted to the Water Plant Superintendent in 1986 and then promoted to the Public Works Superintendent.

On a personal note, he is married, he and his wife Deb have two daughters and a son and two grandkids. He is an avid Minnesota Twins baseball fan. He has collected so much Twins fan memorabilia: tubs of baseball cards, hats, photos, autographed baseballs and bats that they had to add on an extra room to their house to display all of his collected souvenirs.

In his spare time he enjoys being an Enderlin school board member, going to baseball games, listening to music and quilting. He has made quilts for all of his immediate family members. He also enjoys working on small engines and has a garage full of weed whackers, lawn mowers and snow blowers to fix. If you hear loud music by Willy’s Roadhouse from a room close to you, this would be Rick.

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the city of Minot through their Officials and Local Arrangements Committee has gone to considerable work and effort in making this Joint Meeting with the North Dakota Chapter of the American Public Works Association, the North Dakota Water Environment Association, the North Dakota Section of the American Water Works Association, and the North Dakota Chapter of the North American Stormwater and Erosion Control Association not only a successful one, but an enjoyable one, especially through the spirit of welcome and friendliness shown, the splendid hospitality, banquet, and other arrangements:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 88th Annual Conference of the North Dakota Water and Pollution Control Conference, the 57th Annual Conference of the North Dakota Water Environment Association, the 61st Annual Conference of the North Dakota Chapter of the American Public Works Association, the 26th Annual Conference of the North Dakota Section of the American Water Works Association, and the 4th Annual Conference of the North Dakota Chapter of the North American Stormwater and Erosion Control Association here assembled, do express their heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the following individuals who have contributed toward making the Joint Meeting a success:

Dan Jonasson
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Dated at Minot, North Dakota, this 13th day of October 2016.

Mike Brisben
Secretary/Treasurer

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, considerable time is expended by the Municipal Facilities and Water Quality Divisions of the North Dakota Department of Health in furthering Conference development, aims, and purposes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 88th Annual Conference of the North Dakota Water and Pollution Control Conference, the 57th Annual Conference of the North Dakota Water Environment Association, the 61st Annual Conference of the North Dakota Chapter of the American Public Works Association, the 26th Annual Conference of the North Dakota Section of the American Water Works Association, and the 4th Annual Conference of the North Dakota Chapter of the North American Stormwater and Erosion Control Association here assembled, do express their heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the North Dakota Department of Health for the work that has been done, and especially to the Municipal Facilities and Water Quality Divisions for furthering the activities of the Conference, for their work on the Official Bulletin, and for their assistance in organizing the Water and Wastewater Operators’ Training Sessions each year.

Dated at Minot North Dakota, this 13th day of October 2016.

Mike Brisben
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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the North Dakota Water and Pollution Control Conference in its annual business meeting recognizes that the Water and Wastewater Operators’ Training Sessions sponsored jointly by the Conference, the North Dakota Water Environment Association, the North Dakota Chapter of the American Public Works Association, the North Dakota Section of the American Water Works Association, and the North Dakota Department of Health were very successful and were of benefit to those attending and that the sponsoring organizations are desirous of continuing these training sessions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 88th Annual Conference of the North Dakota Water and Pollution Control Conference, the 57th Annual Conference of the North Dakota Water Environment Association, the 61st Annual Conference of the North Dakota Chapter of the American Public Works Association, the 26th Annual Conference of the North Dakota Section of the American Water Works Association, and the 4th Annual Conference of the North Dakota Chapter of the North American Stormwater and Erosion Control Association here assembled, do express their thanks and appreciation to the North Dakota Department of Health and the staff of its Municipal Facilities and Water Quality Divisions, who have contributed toward making these training sessions a success.

Dated at Minot, North Dakota, this 13th day of October 2016.

Mike Brisben
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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, considerable time has been expended and expense incurred by Dayna Morton City of Minot in her position as Associate Director of the North Dakota Water and Pollution Control Conference during the past year, and in making this Joint Meeting with the North Dakota Water Environment Association, the North Dakota Chapter of the American Public Works Association, the North Dakota Section of the American Water Works Association, and the North Dakota Chapter of the North American Stormwater and Erosion Control Association both a successful and enjoyable one;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 88th Annual Conference of the North Dakota Water and Pollution Control Conference, the 57th Annual Conference of the North Dakota Water Environment Association, the 61st Annual Conference of the North Dakota Chapter of the American Public Works Association, the 26th Annual Conference of the North Dakota Section of the American Water Works Association, and the 4th Annual Conference of the North Dakota Chapter of the North American Stormwater and Erosion Control Association here assembled, do express their heart felt thanks and appreciation to Dayna and that the Secretary be instructed to forward to her a copy of this Resolution.

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Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting
North Dakota Section of AWWA October 11, 2016

The fall meeting of the North Dakota Section of the American Water Works Association was held at the Holiday Inn of Minot, N.D. on October 11, 2016. Present at the meeting were Chair, Meredith Quinn; Chair-elect, Wade Hesch; Director, Tim Paustian; Trustees, Mike Berg, Fred Goetz, Jeff Bryson, and Mark Peterson; Secretary/Treasurer, David Bruschwein; Assistant Secretary/Treasurer, Greg Wavra; AWWA President, Jeanne Bennett-Bailey. Others attending the meeting were Dean Sletten, Jim Lennington, Adam Zach, Derek Kannenberg, Kellen Grub and Deon Stockert.

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Quinn at 7:35 a.m.

The Secretary’s Report was presented by Mr. Bruschwein. Mr. Hesch moved to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2016 Board Meeting. Mr. Peterson seconded and the motion passed.

Mr. Wavra presented the Treasurer’s Report. As of September 30, 2016, the section had income of $17,613 and expenses of $21,034. This leaves an overall loss for 2016 of $3,421. The section has $34,825 in the checking and money market accounts. The section also has $84,532 in student support endowments and reserve accounts. Mr. Goetz moved to accept the Treasurer’s report. Mr. Berg seconded and the motion carried. The Audit Committee results were satisfactory. Mr. Goetz moved to accept the Audit Committee Report. Mr. Berg seconded and the motion carried.

Committee Reports

Public Relations
Mr. Kannenberg presented the report for the PR Committee. The PR committee will present operator certificates at lunch and is looking at ordering give-aways.

Membership
Mr. Sletten reported the Section membership is at 237 members.

Ms. Quinn moved to send somebody to the Membership Summit. Mr. Goetz seconded the motion and the motion passed.

WUC
Mr. Stockert reported the WUC participated in the 2016 Washington D.C. Fly-In. Attendees were Deon Stockert and Mark Peterson. Topics covered included lead in drinking water, Flint, and investing in infrastructure.

Director’s Report
Mr. Paustain presented the Director’s Report. He highlighted the summer training workshop and that Jeanne Bennett-Bailey is now the President and Brenda Lennox is President-elect. He then introduced Ms. Jeanne Bennett-Bailey, AWWA President. Ms. Bennett-Bailey talked about how this is her second time in North Dakota this year and thanked the Section for hosting the RMSO in the spring. She talked about updating the AWWA Strategic Plan, the main points of the Strategic Plan, an upcoming policy statement on lead, and water equation scholarships.

Old Business

Mr. Wavra reported on the 2016 Small System Training Sessions. Attendance was great with 50 people at the session. The training was basic but was very helpful for new operators.

Mr. Paustain talked about One AWWA. The topic had been first discussed at the spring meeting. One advantage to this scholarship over previous scholarships that the Section had is that this can be used for many different uses.

There was no other old business.
New Business

Hosting a strategic planning session in 2017 was discussed. Potential locations and dates were discussed. Mr. Goetz moved and Mr. Bryson seconded to fund a strategic planning session with the details to be determined later. The motion passed.

Considering the amount of activity still happening in 2016, a 2017 budget has not been prepared yet. A budget will be prepared before the next board meeting.

There was discussion on the 2017 Small Systems Training Sessions. Mr. Paustian moved that the Section try having two sessions that are four hours long. One of the sessions is to be in the eastern part of the state with the other in the west. Mr. Bryson seconded the motion and the motion carried.

With all agenda items being covered, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Bruschwein
Secretary- Treasurer
## 2016 Summer and Conference Testing/Operators Pass Certification Exams

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The Business Meeting of the North Dakota Section of the American Water Works Association was held at the Holiday Inn of Minot, North Dakota, on October 11, 2016.

Ms. Meredith Quinn called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. and recognized the head table, Section Officers, and Trustees.

The minutes of the October 8, 2015, Business Meeting were published in the 2015 Post-Conference issue of the Official Bulletin. Ms. Quinn asked for any corrections to the minutes. There were none. Mr. Fred Goetz moved to approve the minutes, and was seconded by Mr. Joe Ferguson. Motion carried.

Ms. Quinn presented the Treasurer’s Report. As of September 30, 2016, the section had income of $17,613 and expenses of $21,034. This leaves an overall loss so far for 2016 of $3,421. The section has $34,825 in the checking and money market accounts. The section also has $84,532 in student support endowments and reserve accounts. There are no liabilities. Mr. Fred Goetz moved to accept the Treasurer’s Report and Mr. Deon Stockert seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ms. Quinn presented the Audit Committee results of the Section financial accounts. Ms. Quinn reported no discrepancies were found in the financial accounts for 2015 and all appeared to be in order. Mr. Joe Ferguson moved to accept the Audit Committee Report and Dr. Wei Lin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Larson introduced each of the Board of Trustee candidates. Nominees for trustee are Mr. Jim Lennington and Mr. Adam Zach. The election was held by secret ballot. Ms. Quinn informed the members that Adam Zach is the new trustee.

Mr. Derek Kannenberg presented the Operator Certification awards to new operators or operators that increase their certification level within the past year that are members of the North Dakota Section. Awards were presented to Zachary Bartholomew, Amanda Kaiser-Lee, Greg Kolrud, Lance Kovash, Tyler Palmer, James Ray Sauskojus, Sabrina Sims, Justin Smith, Justin Wasylow, Matthew Weaver, Chris Weiner, and Brian Young.

Ms. Quinn announced the Silver Drop Award Recipients. The Silver Drop Award is for 25 years of membership in AWWA. Awards were mailed to Robert Hoffman, Jack Hendrickson, Rick Gillund, Keith Olsen, Ken Miskavige, Thomas Nielson, Keith Demke, and Steve Burian.

There was no other unfinished business.

There was no new business.

Ms. Quinn introduced the guest speaker, Ms. Jeanne Bennett-Bailey, AWWA President. Ms. Bennett-Bailey worked for the city of Fairfax, Virginia as the Public Affairs officer for the Water Department. Ms. Bennett-Bailey welcomed the large number of groups that attend the NDWPCC. Her message was about Community Engineering Corp and lead in drinking water. She thanked Ms. Quinn for work as Section Chair and as chair of the AWWA YP committee.

Ms. Quinn thanked everybody for their support and help during her tenure as chair. She introduced Mr. Wade Hesch, incoming Section Chair. Mr. Hesch thanked Ms. Quinn for the work that she accomplished during her time as Section Chair and presented her with a plaque.

Mr. Hesch adjourned the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

David J. Bruschwein
Secretary-Treasurer
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