



SEIOS Board Meeting Minutes

Date: November 12, 2015

Location: Pocatello WWTP

Board Members in Attendance:

- Wayne Bredehoft
- Brett Van Brunt
- Jeremy Coles
- Mike Henricksen
- Jon Brown
- Bridger Morrison
- Ralph Martini

Minutes:

- Started meeting at 10:04 am.
- Bridger read minutes from September Board Meeting (No Section Meeting held during training in October). Jeremy motioned and Brett seconded to accept minutes. Yea: all; Nay: none
- Bridger gave update on account balance: \$13,287.03. Wayne motioned and Jeremy seconded to accept treasury report. Yea: all; Nay: none
- Nominees for operator-of-the-year awards:
 - Collections Operator of the Year – Nominations received and considered were Rusty Blackner, Andy Wise, Ron O'Connor, Jon Brown, and Alex Dawson. After review of nomination forms, discussion, and voting, Rusty Blackner's nomination was accepted by the board.
 - Wastewater Operator of the Year – Nominations received and considered were Rusty Blackner, Darin Loards, Jon Brown, and Paul Jones. After review of nomination forms, discussion, and voting, Jon Brown's nomination was accepted by the board.
 - Laboratory Analyst of the Year – Jessica Barnes was nominated. After discussion, Jessica's nomination was accepted by the board.
 - Remember to bring packets to Idaho conference in May.
- The SEIOS website was discussed. The site has been updated and Bridger asked the board to review it and provide any feedback for improvements.
- Nominees for board positions:
 - Area F Director (Caribou, Franklin, and Bear Lake Counties) – Mike motioned to accept Wayne Bredehoft's nomination. Jeremy seconded. Yea: all; Nay: none.
 - Area B Director (Camas, Blaine, Lincoln, and Gooding Counties) – No nominations were received and Gilbert Sanchez, the current Area Director indicated that he would not have time to continue to fill the role. Mike will call individuals in the area to ask about any interest to serve as Area Director.
 - Area D Director (Twin Falls, Jerome, Cassia, and Minidoka Counties) – Mike motioned to accept Ralph Martini's nomination. Jeremy seconded. Yea: all; Nay: none.
 - No other nominations for Area Directors were received.



- Secretary/Treasurer Elect – Nominations received and considered were Dave Noel and Christa Grace. After review of nomination forms, discussion, and voting, Dave Noel’s nomination was accepted by the board. Mike motioned to accept Dave Noel’s nomination. Jeremy seconded. Yea: all; Nay: none.
- Vice President – No nominations were received.
- Mike discussed the Operators Challenge and potentially trying to get one started for Idaho. This will be revisited in the January or February Section or Board Meetings.
- The Christmas party was discussed.
 - The party will start at 10:00 AM and will be catered by Villano’s. The menu will likely include lasagna and chicken alfredo. Brett will look into having drinks donated and getting dessert from Geraldine’s.
 - \$1,000 will be given away as cash with the gumball machine
 - Mike will purchase about \$4,000 worth of prizes.
- The scholarship fund was discussed. The details will be announced at the Christmas party. It is planned to give away the scholarship(s) at the May Conference. It was discussed if a scholarship board should be formed to review and pick the scholarship recipient(s). Jon motioned to assign the task of reviewing the scholarship applications and choosing the recipient(s) to the SEIOS board members. Jeremy seconded the motion. Yea: all; Nay: none.
- A separate account should be set up under the SEIOS bank account for the Scholarship funds.
- Past donations from SEIOS to the Water for People and the PNCWA scholarship fund was discussed. Jeremy motioned to stop donating to those two causes. Jon seconded. Yea: all; Nay: none.
- Training meetings schedule:
 - February – Pocatello
 - April - Heyburn
 - June – Soda Springs
 - August – Island Park
 - October – Rexburg
 - Christmas Party – Idaho Falls
- Board meetings schedule:
 - January – Pocatello
 - March - Heyburn
 - May – Boise regional conference
 - July – Grace
 - September - Pocatello
 - November – Idaho Falls
- Get appreciation certificates for corporate sponsors (with frame for new members). Send personalized invitations to corporate representatives to receive certificates at Christmas Party..
- Meeting adjournment: Done at 12:30 PM.