

WV SWCS Chapter Meeting

Teleconference

May 28, 2015

Those present were Melissa Merritt, President; Jamey Darlington, Treasurer; Suzy Lucas, President-elect; Becky Bowers, Secretary; Jason Dalrymple and Peg Reese.

The meeting was called to order by Melissa Merritt, President at 9:05 am.

The Treasurer Report was presented by Jamey Darlington; Motion made by Peg, Seconded by Suzy, to accept the treasurer report as presented, motion passed.

The Secretary Report was presented; Motion made by Jamey, Seconded by Suzy, to accept the secretary report as presented, motion passed.

Old Business:

WVU Soil Judging Endowment:

Motion was made by Peg to approve the Endowment Agreement Policy and the Publicity Agreement with WVU as the updated policy with us pertaining to the soil judging team. Seconded by Suzy, motion passes.

Motion was made by Peg to approve the WVU Foundation Fund Agreement as presented. Seconded by Suzy, motion passes.

This will be sent to Jamey to send onto WVU. Melissa will inform Julie Cryser that it will be forthcoming.

Marcellus Shale Tour: Melissa is still talking with Corky DeMarco- she is still getting the run around about location and date etc. Melissa has also talked with Amir Hayes about a pipeline option In Weston, WV. She has been talking with Consol Energy and they have proposed a date for July/August. Stone Energy has talked about discussing freshwater impact and they still have equipment in the field could be in many locations of the state. Still looking at the possibility of a training for July meeting/training. Suzy said she asked Jeff Skousen about reclamation of Marcellus shale sites. Nate at Neptune-Company is still a possibility too. At this point Melissa will continue to pursue the possibility with these companies and bring the information back to the group.

Scholarships: The scholarship applications were advertised again and 2 candidates applied. The candidate's applications were presented to the scholarship committee for selection. The chair of the committee Jeff Skousen presented the results to the group. The committee has selected applicant Bethani Chambers. Peg made a motion to approve the selection recommended by the committee and present her with the check for the \$500.00 scholarship. Seconded by Jason, motion passes. Melissa will let Jeff know and Jamey will see to it that the check is awarded.

Website Update: Melissa has researched the possibility for the website and has narrowed the selection down to 2 companies. 1 and 1.com and wix; Melissa has a 30 day trial for both websites. She said each one has its own domain and no ads associated with them. She has chosen Jamey as the administrator but as the executive committee members we were encouraged to use the website to see what we liked and by the next meeting have our opinion formed in order to purchase or cancel the trial package.

Discussion was held on what Melissa and Suzy have experienced thus far. Search ability was a key for the website and membership enrollment is option along with being able to upload our reports these were a few positive feedbacks for the 1 and 1 site.

Newsletter: The newsletter was sent to Melissa for review. 1 page will need to be added for the GIS training and the Marcellus shale training. Peg said no longer than 8 pages.

GIS training: Melissa said it is still a go and that it will be on July 14, 2015 at the WVU Health Sciences Center, Martinsburg, WV from 8:30-5. Melissa will contact Amir to ask about timeline and starting times. Peg recommended we contact them for a future training.

SWCS International Conference: Jason, Melissa, Peg, and Suzy will be attending the International meeting in Greensboro, NC this year. Suzy will be our representative for the WV Chapter. Expenses could include registration at \$410.00. Room will be \$97.00/night at a total of \$437.47 w/ tax. \$50.00 for luncheon and \$75.00 for a tour and an additional fee for the regional breakfast. Some discussion was held on what her agency (WVCA) would pay and what we would pay as an organization. Suzy had not yet requested attending from her agency. Peg made a motion that the registration fee, awards luncheon, and the regional breakfast be paid by the organization for Suzy, as long as her agency will not pay for the costs, up to \$1,000.00. Seconded by Jamey, motion passes.

OUR NEXT MEETING: Will be June 10, 2015, Thursday at 9:00 a.m. by teleconference, agenda will be forthcoming.

Adjourn motion made by Jamey and seconded by Peg; motion passes.