

CWEA P3S Executive Committee Meeting
February 12, 2019 7:30am – 8:30am
P3S Conference Breakfast Meeting – Embassy Suites, Seaside
Teleconference call: n/a

A. Meeting called to order at 7:38am by Susan Hiestand (Chair)

B. Introductions

- Present at meeting:
 - o per attendee registration

C. Committee Accomplishments 2018-2019 (Susan)

- Two Tool Belt Trainings in north
- Two Tool Belt Trainings in south
- P3S Conference here in Seaside
- Special sessions scheduled for annual conference in Palm Springs: permit writing, etc.
- Awarded many CEUs at the Tool Belt Trainings
- Completed a number of website updates
- We had a brochure coordinator this year for the P3S conference brochure
- We had a social media person this year
 - o We are currently looking for a new Public Relations Coordinator for next year. Our current person has to step down
- Facility of the Year awards
- Grants awards
 - o We have a few winners here
 - o We had \$5,000 to give away
 - o We had 9 applications this year for a total request of \$18,000, so it was a successful year. It was difficult to choose the recipients

D. Facility of the Year Awards (Casey and Stephen)

- We had zero applications from the North this year. We had 5 applications from the South.
 - o South – a past winner and a past runner-up were both nominated a 2nd time. Casey and Stephen are going to work on getting the word out more, especially in the north. This will be discussed further at the FOY awards lunch today.
 - Nick Klumpp – instead of doing north and south, can we just do statewide?
 - Stephen – there are logistics issues to that. We thought of it but the problem is knowing the areas.
 - Shannon – remember, the facilities that are nominated don't have to be perfect. Even if they are making great strides towards compliance, they may not win but at least they will be recognized.

E. P3S Grant Applications and other CWEA Awards (Alina and Susan)

- P3S Person of the Year awards (Susan)
 - o We have 6 applications. Last year there were only two. We will decide soon and award at Annual Conference.
- Grant Awards (Alina)
 - o CWEA gives us \$5,000/year to award for outreach, etc. Grants are usually approximately \$1,000 to help out with a project.
 - o Susan – with the grants, we look at partnerships favorably.

F. Environmental Compliance Exam Updates (Shannon and Abby via phone call)

- Grades I and II have been released
 - o They were emailed out to all registered and can be downloaded from the website.
- Grade III is about to be wrapped up and hope to release it at the end of February.
- Hope to have the Grade IV released at the end of March
- Have had no complaints on the I; the II was just released last week so waiting for feedback.
- Shannon has been doing trainings with people who have failed in the past showing them how to use the blueprints. One has now passed, still working on the second person.

G. Pretreatment Facility Inspection Manual Updates (John Rowe, CSU Sacramento)

- Shannon – when the PFI is completed we will have to go through and revise the blueprints to ensure that each exam question is properly sourced.
- John Rowe – we've gone through and revised the entire manual and added a chapter for stormwater. It is currently sitting in the Drop Box for the committee to continue reviewing and ensure it is good. He considers it finished if the committee does. All processes have been updated to current standards.
- Shannon – all the chapters are done, we are just tying up a few loose ends. Then we will send it to CSUS for edits then back to us for the final check.
- John Rowe – after all that it moves to Pearson Publishing and then expect it to take approximately 6 months to be released due to copyright clearance.
 - o 6 months is very optimistic; one year is more doable.
- Jonathan Powell – it would be great if we could unveil it at next year's conference.
 - o Shannon – maybe we can even give a few away at next year's conference.

H. Volunteer Opportunities

- Secretary
 - o We have a couple of people interested for next year. We are talking to them and reviewing their info. Would still like more. The person for this upcoming year needs to be from the south. If anyone is interested please contact Jonathan Powell. Would like to announce at annual conference.
 - This is a 4 year track: secretary → vice chair → chair → past chair
- Public Affairs Coordinator
 - o We need a new one. We had one but she had to step down due to too many other responsibilities. We are looking for someone to be our social media person as well as be the contact with all the local sections.

- Other
 - o There are always volunteers needed. Please contact the committee for information and questions.

I. Upcoming Training Opportunities

- Tuesday 4/9 Permit Writing Workshop
 - o Shannon – We are having a permit writing workshop at the annual conference. It will be an all-day 8-hour workshop the day before the conference. Cost is \$160.00 and includes lunch and snacks. There will be lots of good people helping with the training. We are going to try to write a mock permit. EPA has a 3-day course for this so we are going to try to condense it into a one-day and see if it works. If so, we hope to make it a regular thing.
- Wednesday 4/10 breakfast at annual conference
 - o Berlinda – “Women Impacting Water” breakfast at the annual conference. Extra fee to attend.
- So. Cal. Tool Belt Training in June
 - o Jonathan – we will be having a TBT in June. No idea where yet. If anybody has any suggestions please let him know.
- Other Tool Belt Trainings
 - o South – June and October
 - o North – August and December
 - o Great free training, tours, lunch included.
 - o Jonathan is looking to expand TBT into San Diego to try to get more people in the area involved in P3S.

J. 2020 P3S Conference Location

- Location has not been determined yet. It will be in the south.
 - o Jonathan has checked out hotel options in San Diego but there seems to be logistics issues with transportation. Now looking at more neutral locations in Orange County. He likes one option in Newport.
 - o Jonathan likes Susan’s OGS format with the Ted Talk. Getting really good feedback.
 - o Program chair has been identified: David Lee (LACSD)

K. CWEA Updates (Alec)

- The core purpose of CWEA is education, certification, and advocating for water.
 - o CWEA can’t lobby, but can send letters, etc. for our stance/thoughts.
- New certification program
 - o AWT = advanced water treatment certification
 - Must be certified at Grade III wastewater operator or drinking water operator to be able to take this certification test.
- “Work for Water”
 - o If you have ideas to get the younger generations involved, connect them with Alec.
- Trying to get more trainers and training
- WEF outreach
 - o “Water’s Worth It” → watersworthit.org

- CWEA Outreach Committee is working to decide if they want to do something specific to CA

L. Prior Meeting Minutes Approval

- Alina – motion to approve last meeting minutes
- Shannon – 2nd motion
- Minutes from December 13, 2018 approved

Meeting adjourned at 8:28am



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February 12, 2019
7:00-8:45

Executive Committee 2018-2019	TOPIC	TIME	LEAD
Susan Hiestand SVCW shiestand@svcw.org Chair	A) Meeting Called to Order	7:10 am	Susan
Jonathan Powell OCSD Vice-Chair	B) Introductions	7:11 am	Committee
Jennifer Peet City of Modesto Secretary	C) Committee Accomplishments 2018-19	7:20 am	Susan
Shannon Simmers City of Redlands Past Chair	D) Facility of the Year Awards	7:30 am	Casey and Stephen
CWEA Board Liaisons	E) P3S Grant Applications and other CWEA Awards	7:40 am	Alina and Susan
Kevin Calderwood HDR	F) Environmental Compliance Exam Updates	7:50 am	Shannon
William Cassidy OCSD	G) Pretreatment Facility Inspection Manual Updates	8:00 am	John Rowe, CSU Sacramento
	H) Volunteer opportunities		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secretary • Public Affairs Coordinator • Other 	8:20 am	Jonathon
	I) Upcoming Training Opportunities		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday 4/9 Permit Writing Workshop • Thursday 4/11 sessions at Annual Conference in Palm Springs • So Cal Tool Belt Training in June 	8:30 am	Susan - All
	J) 2020 P3S Conference location	8:40 am	Jonathon
	K) Meeting Adjourned	8:45 am	Susan

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