



Board Meeting Minutes

March 5, 2009

The March 5, 2009 meeting of MWWC's board of directors was held at the MWWC's training center in Jefferson City.

2009 Chairman Don Rea called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. In addition to Chairman Rea, other board members in attendance were Chris Brake, Ken Hogan, Billy Pecord, Bob Miller, and Todd Baslee. Sandi Miller, John Betz, and Mary Jo Biggs also attended the meeting. Ms. Biggs is a representative of the Lake Ozark's area Convention and Visitor's Bureau.

Ms. Biggs reported that the Lake Ozark fire marshal, Jim Doyle, is working with Lake area businesses to implement safety plans and to train management and staff of those facilities to carry out the plans. Ms. Biggs also spoke to the board about the Lake area in general and services that the CVB provides.

Todd Baslee made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the December 10, 2008 meeting. This motion was seconded by Chris Brake and approved by a vote of the board.

Sandi Miller reported that Paul Shaw has an excellent start on the technical program. They are short on the wastewater side but Don Rea will do some networking and will work with Paul to fill openings on the wastewater side. Board member

Emeritus, Bob Miller, suggested changing the perception of the annual meeting, by changing its name from the traditional “annual meeting” to something that promotes MWWC’s mission of training.

John Betz suggested structuring future annual training programs around events of the time rather than on random topics.

Billy Pecord asked if there was going to be any stimulus money available for training. Chairman Don Rea indicated that he will investigate that possibility. Don also indicated that he will write a “What’s in it for us” type letter to our congressman.

Sandi Miller reported the current financial and membership status of the conference compared to the status one year ago.

The board discussed changing the way to which the spring section meeting are referred from Section Meetings to something like “Sectional Technical Programs”. in order to highlight training, rather than socialization, as the primary function of the MWWC.

Chairman Don Rea reported D&O \$1 million in coverage; \$1,000 deductible, \$825.00 annual premium, (Insurance Group) Motion made by Ken Hogan, seconded by Todd Baslee. The board then asked Sandi Miller to get a second quote. Sandi stated that she will follow up with Winter Dent and Company on their past quote. Ken Hogan suggested that we get a third quote. They board asked that the policy be put in place as soon as possible.

Billy Pecord. Board introduced the subject of reducing cost of annual meeting since there is a risk of losing some money due to the poor economy. Sandi indicated that

she will talk to Jennifer at Holiday Inn Select Executive Center and will work towards arranging two day meetings in Columbia for future annual technical programs.

For the 2009 meeting, the board discussed having a silent auction, eliminating the awards luncheon on Thursday, giving door prizes at the end of the technical sessions on Thursday and extending exhibit hours all day on Wednesday.

Chairman Don Rea announced that the next board meeting will take place on Tuesday September 29 at the Holiday Inn Select Executive Center in Columbia.

Chairman Rea asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Chris Brake and Billy Pecord. The motion was voted on and approved.