

## Georgia Chapter A&WMA Board Meeting

April 10, 2020

**Present:** Shanna Alexander, Shira Colsky, Charlie Denton, Katy Lusky, Elisabeth Munsey, Kim Sanders, Ashley Ward, Tom Wurzinger

**Absent:** Joey Dean, Steve Ellingson, Chris Hurst

### 1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

Chair Kim Sanders called the meeting to order and outlined the Agenda for this Board meeting (attached).

Kim  
Sanders

### 2. **SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

The Meeting Minutes for March 13<sup>th</sup> were reviewed and approved by the Chair.

Shanna  
Alexander

### 3. **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Katy submitted the following report:

Katy  
Lusky

**Reporting Period:** Mar 14 – Apr 10, 2020

Current Wells Fargo Balance = \$12,089.06

Current PayPal Balance = \$6,526.10

**Major Debits (WF & PP):**

\$190.32 – Member Clicks (Mar)

\$600 – 2018 AWMA Associate dues paid to Southern Section

**Major Credits (WF & PP):**

None

**Other Business:**

- Upcoming expenses - \$175 to AWMA Southern Conference; reimburse Shira C for brown bag Z H E L Q D U and Ashley Ward for hour.

### 4. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

#### Education/Scholarship:

Elisabeth  
Munsey

- Elisabeth will prepare and present to the Board a tentative schedule based on some Georgia universities' Fall semester reopening dates --- will put in a random August date for the first round of requests (ending in September) and then recirculate early to mid-October with a cut-off at the end of October.
- Reviewers will have about a month to review/score research abstracts.
- Notify winners end of November (e.g., 11/30) and then present the check on Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> during the holiday brownbag/end-of-year meeting. Checks will be awarded within two weeks of notification.
- Dates will be adjusted/shifted based on whether end-of-year meeting falls on a holiday or school break.

### Young Professionals:

- Quarterly YP Southern section call scheduled for next Wednesday --- discussion topics are TBD --- may plan a joint virtual YP social event for the Annual conference. Ashley Ward
- Will postpone the summer brewery event until a later date ---pending pandemic impacts.
- Ashley W reported that she did not hear anything further from the interested sponsor for the GAEP/AWMA networking event tentatively scheduled for mid- to late July pending changes to the shelter-in-place/large gathering order.
- Kim S suggested hosting a virtual happy hour to bring a group of 8-12 YPs together. The group largely supported this idea and discussed the benefits and challenges from virtual sessions with larger than 10-12 participants.
- Ashley W will reach out to Shanna A to brainstorm virtual activities and forum (Skype, Google Meet, Zoom, Teams, etc.)

### Membership:

- Kim S reported that she discussed with Steve E producing a list of people who have renewed their memberships for 2020. A Southern Section Call was not held this past Tuesday, but Kim will make sure that she retrieves this info from the Southern Section for Steve.
- Shira confirmed that she did send the ethylene oxide brown bag sign-up sheet to Steve to reach out to those that attended but were not current A&WMA members.
- Kim S encouraged the group to continue to send member recruitment ideas to Steve E.
- Kim S mentioned that the International Women's Association has gone by the wayside so we should continue to search out other mechanisms.

Steve  
Ellingson  
(N/A) /  
Kim  
Sanders

### Brown Bag Coordinator:

- Shira C informed the group that she has not heard back from the CHaRM presenter regarding webinar/virtual tour of the recycling facility.
- Email from AWMA mentioned three different webinars coming up priced at \$99 for the first two webinars: 1) AP-42 7.1 for storage tanks, 2) what does carbon capture really mean for industry, and 3) practical dispersion modeling. Shira suggested centering the next brown bag on one of these webinars and inviting folks to sign-up and listen-in through GA A&WMA --- shared screen via Skype or Zoom with RSVP. Shira suggested the webinar on carbon capture and limiting to 30 people.
- Katy L raised a question pertaining to how the national AWMA would feel about the GA Chapter sharing their webinar with others since we are part of the same organization and suggested seeking permission.
- Tom W stated that this would not be any different than a pay per view event but agreed that we should email the organizers for permission and also seek recommendations on how the Chapter can conduct this.

Shira  
Colsky

- Kim suggested finding a speaker who would like to present on WebEx while also sending out the permission email. Thursday 4/30 has been confirmed for the webinar.
- Shira agreed to reach out to the National AWMA for thoughts on webinar sharing and mentioned Geosyntec's free PFAS webinar series as being another option.

Database/Web Chair:

Charlie Denton

- Kim informed the group that Steve E will work with Charlie D on the website maintenance moving forward and will reach out to Chris H as needed.
- Charlie reported no updates for the website.

**6. OLD BUSINESS:**

All Members

- Shanna confirmed submittal of the Annual Report for 2019.
- Open discussion on the Fall Regulatory conference. Most agreed to move the conference date to either late October or early November. The timing will depend on the scheduling of other conferences (GIEC mid-October, GEC in August, etc.).
- Tom W pointed out that some companies are having to make tough financial decisions and may scale back sponsorships and participation in conferences – may have to consider pushing to next year Jan/Feb (or next Spring).
- Katy L suggested we also consider other environmental conferences that were scheduled for Spring/Summer being pushed back to the Fall and that we make it a one to two-day event in lieu of three days as discussed in prior meetings.
- A decision was made to table the discussion and continue monitoring the impacts of the pandemic closely. Will revisit the issue at the next board meeting in May.

**7. NEW BUSINESS:**

All Members

- Kim S led the discussion on All4's proposal for mutual sponsorship of regulatory and environmental conferences by the GA Chapter.
- Tom W described the All4 environmental workshop as a "pay to present" situation and questioned whether All4 may be looking for us to pay them to present. The group decided to not accept the proposal.

**8. NEXT MEETING:**

**May 8, 2020** by Conference Call – 10:00 am Eastern (Meeting Adjourned at 11:05 AM)

**Agenda**  
**A&WMA GA Chapter - Executive Board Meeting**  
**April 10, 2020; 10:00 a.m. Eastern**  
**Conference Call-in: 1 (408) 650-3123, Passcode: 790-678-541**  
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<b>1.</b>	<b>CALL to ORDER:</b>	Kimberly Sanders
<b>2.</b>	<b>SECRETARY'S REPORT:</b>	Shanna Alexander
	Approve March 13 <sup>th</sup> meeting minutes, post to website.	
<b>3.</b>	<b>TREASURER'S REPORT:</b>	Katy Lusky
	Current balances	
	Upcoming expenses	
<b>4.</b>	<b>COMMITTEE REPORTS:</b>	
	<u>Scholarship</u>	Elisabeth Munsey
	Overview of three proposed scholarship program timelines	
	<u>Young Professionals (YP)</u>	Ashley Ward
	Status of YP Joint Summer Event	
	Update on YP Partnering at A&WMA National Reg Conference – Biloxi, MS	
	<u>Membership</u>	Stephen Ellingson (N/A)/ Kim Sanders
	Status report	
	<u>Brown Bag/Program</u>	Shira Colsky
	Date/topic of next Brown Bag	
	<u>Database/Website</u>	Charlie Denton
	Status report	
<b>5.</b>	<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>	
	Status of the Annual Chapter report submittal – outstanding action items from Steve and Katy	
	Status of Spring Regulatory Conference scheduling – Fall conference suggested	
	Status of Leadership Training Academy – Cancelled for this year	
<b>6.</b>	<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	
	All4 Mutual Sponsorship of Regulatory Conference and Environmental Topics	
<b>7.</b>	<b>NEXT MEETING</b>	May 8, 2020 -10:00 am EST
<b>8.</b>	<b>ADJOURN</b>	