



Bob Van Moer was appraised that four applications had been received to date and that we should hold off making final decision until the June 1<sup>st</sup> date. Since the Board would not meet again in time to formally approve the selections - a motion was made by Butch Hybbert, second by Bob Van Moer to allow the chair of the Scholarship final decision for the selection of the 2011 Scholarship awards, Passed.

#### **Trustee**

Brian Mehr reported on the Innovative Alternatives Conference held each year in St. Cloud in February and that the budget proposed for the upcoming 2012 session is looking to generate \$1000 higher revenue than expenses. There was a motion by Brian Mehr, second by Todd Carlson, Passed. There was also discussion regarding the adoption of the MOU (Memo of Understanding) between the MN Section and MWOA. There was reference to previous discussion and importance of accountability and that both organizations would be in agreement about joint efforts to avoid any misunderstandings regarding income and expenses incurred with such activity. Brian suggested utilization of the website to post issues and gain member insight.

#### **Lab Joint MWOA and MN Section Committee**

They had met and are planning a workshop in St. Peter on Jun 23<sup>rd</sup>. The focus will be on “salty discharges”. There is still concern over the how the finances are being handled but the Board continues to praise the committee for their successful workshops and filling a very important need of members of the MWOA (and MN Section). The direction of the Committee is now to work with the MN Section to oversee their financial activity and reporting. President Jacobson will also discuss with Eric LeCuyer, Executive Director of the CSWEA organization for further discussion.

There will be a meeting of the Training Coalition August 3 which reminds all Sections and Committees to post the dates of their upcoming sessions up to two years in advance to avoid other groups scheduling meetings or seminars that could conflict with our sessions.

#### **Finance and Audit Committee**

Jim Miller indicated that he will be meeting with Dean Nelson and Rick Ashling in June to conduct the audit of the MWOA financial affairs. He will make the formal report to the members and Board at the July Annual Business Meeting.

#### **Director Reports**

Metro/Suburban -Joe Rubbelke related that the Section was looking to hold a late June meeting this year.

SW – Butch Hybbert reported that the joint SE/SW meeting was held in New Ulm and that 91 were present/ their next meeting will be in Luverne on November 16<sup>th</sup>.

NE – Todd Carlson reported for Greg Guerrero that they are still looking to hold a fall meeting with the date to be determined but the location will be Two Harbors.

SE – Jim Bruender reported that the section had 38 of the 91 at the joint meeting were from the SE Section. The upcoming October and February meetings are being planned for LeSueur and Waseca. They elected a new Director – Rick Olson from Owatonna.

C – Steve Daniels reported that they met in Willmar in April and also would be meeting in Buffalo.

NW – No report

**There was no Old Business**

**New Business**

There was a request by MOWA representatives for MWOA’s support in getting POTW’s to accept septage. President Jacobson informed them that the organization could only inform members of the desire but each system would have to assess whether it would be appropriate for their system.

With no other business there was a motion **to recess until July 26<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.** by Joe Rubbelke, second by Todd Carlson, passed.

<b>Members present:</b>	Howard Jacobson	Jim Miller	Todd Carlson	
	Jim Bruender	Butch Hybbert	Steve Daniels	Greg Guerrero
	Brian Mehr	Joe Rubbelke	Dianne Navratil	Linda Mullen
<b>Guests Present:</b>	J.R. Yde	Rick Ashling	Dean Nelson	
	Steve Duerre			

President Jacobson reconvened the meeting at 7 pm in the Board Room at the Timberlake Lodge in Grand Rapids.

There were 109 full registrations and Joe Rubbelke indicated that there were 51 vendors at this time.

Linda Mullen informed the group that only one speaker from the State had to cancel due to the budget shutdown and Jim Miller volunteered to fill in for that topic on Wednesday morning.

**No Old Business**

**New Business**

There was discussion regarding an ongoing issue with one of the members having issues with the golf tournament and also the general lack of compliance with cutoff dates for “early” registrations. The dates have been set to assist in planning and assuring all registration materials can be completed ahead of time to reduce the amount of on-site or last minute print runs for a single or handful of late registrants. The consensus of the Board was that if the postmark on the date of the registration is sent in past the cutoff date that registration will be handled in one of two ways. If the party is notified and the additional “late” fee is received at least five calendar days ahead of the conference – it will be processed. If the “late” fee is not paid by five calendar days ahead of the conference it will be returned. If any previous amount was received and deposit of such check – a refund will be made after the conference.

With no additional business before the Board there was a motion by Joe Rubbelke, second by Todd Carlson, Passed.

**Respectfully submitted,**  
**James E. Miller – Sec/Treas MWOA**