



INDIANA ASSOCIATION OF
soil and water conservation
DISTRICTS

IASWCD Board Meeting
March 18, 2016
Minutes – submitted by Roger Wenning, Secretary

Meeting called to order at 10:00 AM by President Mike Starkey

Attendees:

Mike Starkey, Jamie Scott, Roger Wenning, Paula Baldwin, Brad Ponsler, Kim Peterson, Marc Roberts, Ray McCormick, Troy Hattery, Tom Crowe, Bobby Hettmansperger, Rick Routon, and Jeff Meinders. Staff - Jennifer Boyle Warner in attendance.

Partners in attendance: Walt Sell, Purdue; Ray Chattin, SSCB; Jane Hardisty, NRCS; and Randy Kron, Farm Bureau.

- **Motion** to add to agenda by Brad Ponsler, seconded by Bobby Hettmansperger. Passed. (Farm Bureau update, fall region meeting discussions, natural resource committee report)
- **Motion** to approve consent agenda and minutes by Jeff Meinders, seconded by Brad Ponsler. Passed.
- Paula Baldwin presented the treasurers report
- Randy Kron, Indiana Farm Bureau President, introduced himself and reported on his earlier meeting with Mike Starkey, Brad Ponsler and Roger Wenning.
- **Motion** to have the IASWCD monthly credit card bill sent to the Finance committee by Jeff Meinders, seconded by Tom Crowe. Passed.
- Partner reports: Walt Sell- Purdue, Ray Chattin, State Soil Conservation Board, Jane Hardisty- NRCS
- Discussion on NACD fly-in by those that attended: Kim Peterson, Bobby Hettmansperger, Kerry Ames, Jamie Scott and Roger Wenning
- Jennifer reported on revenue and expenses for 2016 annual conference
- Jennifer has taken care of the meals resolution – worked with SBOA and DSS's. A draft policy was sent to all SWCD's to incorporate.
- Jennifer reported on Legislative training day
- Jennifer gave a staffing update
- **Motion** to approve up to \$40,000 for Communications & Member Programs Manager salary by Bobby Hettmansperger, seconded by Brad Ponsler. Passed.
- CCSI director applications open until 3/31/2016
- IASWCD bylaws were discussed. Jamie and Paula volunteered to work on revisions of IASWCD policies.
 - **Motion** to change employee's evaluation from semi-annual to annual by Kim Peterson, seconded by Mark Roberts. Passed.
 - Additional changes needed in the policies will be brought forth by Jamie and Paula for review by full Board.
 - Jennifer asked everyone to review the board handbook and suggest revisions
- **Motion** to donate up to \$1250 for employee's appreciation day on May 10 by Kim Peterson, seconded by Jamie Scott. Passed.
- Jennifer reported on discussion with Marion County SWCD about office space

- Brad Ponsler gave a Farm Bureau update
- Paula Baldwin asked the board to support including invasive species discussion at the fall region meetings
- Ray McCormick gave a natural resources committee report

Adjourn at 4:00 PM