



**Meeting of the AHS Corporate Board
Agenda**

Saturday, July 18, 2009, 10:00 AM

**Location: Lockett Meadow in the Inner Basin
Flagstaff, Arizona**

Attendees: Dana Downs, Erin Young, Paul Whitefield, Beth Proffitt, Ted Lehman, Keith Ross, Jeff Gawad, Alan Dulaney, Lee-Anna Walker

1. Call to Order – Alan Dulaney 10:31
2. Minutes from April 18, 2009 meeting – Motion to approve last meeting minutes unseen. Ted Motioned, Erin Approved
3. AHS Treasurer's Report – Mike Geddis (Beth gave report on Mike's behalf)
 - a. Quarterly reports submitted
 - b. Phoenix Chapter has ~24,000 from symposium proceeds
 - c. Tucson Chapter has \$11,000 minus \$4,800 to Halpenny winner
 - d. Flagstaff Chapter has \$753 subsidy from their spring event.
 - e. No corporate budget to approve at this time. Will review the corporate budget after the 2009 Symposium.
 - f. Ideas for lowering AHS costs
 - i. Find cheaper accounting firm for less than \$5,000. Erin will contact some CPA and get estimates.
 - ii. Raise membership dues
 - iii. Cut internship amounts
 - iv. Cut major operational expenses – accounting, taxes, Executive Director costs – Erin Young offered to help with the newsletter
 - v. Have some of the Executive Director tasks divided amongst volunteers or chapter committee members.
 - vi. Stop subsidizing annual kick-off meetings
 - vii. Discuss items 3f (i-vii) at annual meeting
4. New Tucson Chapter Board Member – Jeff Gawad
 - a. No replacement found or identified yet for Nick Melcher as for Corporate Board. May find replacement during the next election.

5. Report from Planning Committee for the 2009 Symposium – Keith Ross
 - a. 65 full registrants, 106 hotel rooms out of 320.
 - b. Expected more participation and attendees from AIH
 - c. \$30,000 in sponsorship money raised thus far
 - d. Alan will contact Miguel Madina (President of AIH) to see if there is some way to increase AIH's presence in the planning and attendance of the 2009 Symposium
 - e. Not anticipating any profit from 2009 Symposium
 - f. Plenary Speakers have been booked.
 - g. Extended early registration and will continue to do e-mail blasts.
 - h. Volunteers from ADEQ/ADWR and colleges may be used in exchange for ½ day attendance.
 - i. Kirk Creswick started a Linked-in site for AHS supported by Jeff, Paul and Erin
6. Report from Planning Committee for the 2010 Symposium – Jeff Gawad
 - a. Committee is formed and a planning meeting in August is planned
 - b. Theme – Water Needs for Green Energy Solutions
 - c. Dates 9/1-9/4/2009
 - d. La Paloma Resort, Tucson
 - e. \$96/night room rates, 320 nights needed
7. Progress on the 2009 Lifetime Achievement Award
 - a. Committee has been formed
 - b. Nick Melcher has been nominated
8. Report from AHS Foundation – Ted Lehman
 - a. May 2, 2009 Retreat – discussed mission statement, intermediate & long-term goals, fundraising ideas (short-term), endowment to sustain AHS obligations (long-term)
 - b. Application for 501-3C refiled – waiting for IRS response to re-submittal – expect response mid-August 2009
 - c. Submitted CAP application \$2,200 awarded to AHS Foundation by CAP – check being re-issued due to some error with the check
 - d. May increase CAP request to \$5,000
 - e. May 1st Deadline for CAP application
 - f. Next AHS Foundation meeting set for 2009 Symposium
9. Report from Standing Committees

- a. Website – Matt Beversdorf (not present – Ted Presented on Matt’s behalf)
Website is looking good.
- b. Matt will not be continuing on as Executive Director – replacement options are needed
 - i. Request that Matt outlines his responsibilities for replacement option search
 - 1. Assign tasks to board members
 - 2. Separate group of volunteers for each task
 - 3. Full replacement of Executive Director – single person
 - 4. Request ideas from Matt regarding feasibility of options
- c. Database shows ~600 members currently
- d. Need to set-up an official mailbox address for IRS

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10. Chapter Reports

- a. Phoenix – Ted Lehman
 - i. No dinner meeting August and September for 2009 Symposium.
Next meeting is at Sonoran Brewhouse (Topic: Subsidence)
 - ii. Got grant from CAP for SARSEF
 - iii. Bouwer intern is now at City of Peoria
 - iv. Need a new board member. Ted will be stepping down as President of the Phoenix Chapter.
- b. Flagstaff – Erin Young and Dana Downs-Heimes
 - i. Attached – internship position being sought by Christian Meinhardt
 - ii. Motion approved to increase the internship amount from \$2,400 to \$4,800 and raise hours from 240 hrs to 320 hours to match existing hours and money awarded to the Bouwer internship - Keith motioned, Ted seconded. All approved motion.
 - iii. Motion: Advance \$2,400 from the Corporate board to Flagstaff Chapter, have Alan write a \$1200 check directly to Christian Meinhardt, the Flagstaff intern, and the rest of the funds will come from the AHS Foundation to fund the Flagstaff Internship. Lee-Anna motioned, Keith seconded, all approved.
 - iv. No dinner meetings were held since May 2009 – Black Mesa Coal Mine Summary

- v. Abe Springer NAU Alumni night – meet and greet will be announced in the 2009 Symposium program
 - vi. 4 objectives for Flagstaff Chapter
 - 1. Field trips
 - 2. More speakers
 - 3. Newsletter
 - 4. Internship
 - vii. NAU College of Education Summer outreach enrichment program needs professional speakers
- c. Tucson – Jeff Gawad
- i. No meeting in July 2009
 - ii. Next meeting is being held in September 2009 – no speaker
 - iii. Current intern is working with the USGS, Montgomery and Associates, and Tucson Water
 - iv. Another field trip is planned for SAVSRP
11. Consideration of a Potential Joint 2012 Centennial Meeting with Arizona Geological Survey
- a. Will not co-host 2012 joint venture between AZGS and AHS, possibly will assist in smaller events throughout the year.
12. Other New Business
- a. 2012 Symposium – Phoenix, back to basics. Will not co-sponsor and will go for smaller venue and more affordable options.
13. Next Meeting – Saturday, October 17th at either Papago Park or JE Fuller
14. Adjourn – 2:50 pm