

Minnesota Center for Mineral Resource Education

Meeting Minutes for Thursday, November 11, 2015, 9 AM at MGS in St Paul

Attendees

At MGS: Fred Corrigan, Hannah Friedrich, Mike Hultgren, Harvey Thorleifson
By Phone: Julie Marinucci, Jim Miller, Dean Moosavi, Craig Pagel

Agenda agreed to as circulated

Approval of Minutes for August 27, 2015 – motion to approve by Mike, 2nd by Fred, no discussion, motion carried

Report of the Chair

- Updated financial report for MMEW 2015; well under budget in part due to low speaker expenses
- Almost through reconciling funds between MCMRE & NRRRI
- Much appreciation for IMA, ARM, & MngMn willingness to be billed for dorm subsidy
- Craig & Dean wisely reminded us that the coming year may be uncertain re fundraising
- Agreement that a conservatively budgeted MMEW 2016 may fit anticipated fundraising
- Jim initiated discussion on 2016 Board

Moved by Harvey, Seconded by Mike that the 2016 MCMRE Board consist of Chair Mike Hultgren, non-voting Vice Chair Operations Hannah Friedrich, non-voting Director Dennis Martin, returning voting Directors Craig Pagel, David Ulrich, Fred Corrigan, George Hudak, Harvey Thorleifson, and Jim Miller, along with new voting Directors to be named by MESTA and SME to replace Directors at their term limits whose service has been immensely appreciated, and that the Incoming Chair be empowered to name the new Vice Chair Administration and Vice Chair Finance from among the Directors; unanimous; carried

Report of the Vice Chair - Operations

- Executive Summary for MMEW 2015 done
- Hannah working on survey monkey results & final report
- Jim will close out 2015 web content; Jim will start 2016 MMEW web site
- Agreed that we need to think of a future home for the MMEW web site
- Discussion on need to ensure an appropriate person is coordinating communications
- Jim will oversee the web site until it is relocated

Report of Vice Chair –Finance

- Craig indicated letters are ready to go in December
- Need new envelopes with new ARM address; needs to look good
- IMA might be able to donate envelopes – this would very much be appreciated
- Craig – need list of contributors to go with request; Mike will provide this
- Two letters; one to those that have given; one to those that have not
- Good to indicate MMEW attendance numbers in letter; very good to keep the letter short
- Also need to indicate location of coming MMEW
- Dates will be June 21-23
- We need confirmation of costs ASAP to be certain of location; this will come within days by email

Report of Vice Chair – Administration

- Report shared by email; appreciation to ARM & Jill for supporting transactions and record-keeping
- Mike Hultgren reviewed status of our funds - things are in good shape
- Appreciation to Craig & his team for superb work on fundraising
- On track to have funds for two workshops in hand, as preferred
- Profit/loss statement affected by when things came in, & non-recurring expenses

Other Business

- Julie reported on the excellent teachers' meeting in Virginia; ~40 in attendance
- Fred asked if there were suggestions on needed resources; not really; mineral info coalition good
- Will probably attend this meeting again next year
- Fred indicated the new ARM web site has registration services – could save us money

Next meeting: week of January 25th; Doodle poll to come

Meeting adjourned; Minutes prepared by Harvey Thorleifson