

SW Section Conference Call 5-8-11

Call to Order- 9:13 AM by Russ Baier

Introduction / Roll Call -

Attendees:

- Ryan Bayer – Alamo Chapter
- Russ Baier – Central Texas Chapter (SW Section Chair)
- Anna Childers – Oklahoma Chapter
- Malcolm Richards – Gulf Coast Chapter (SW Section Secretary)
- Art Bedrosian – High Plains Chapter
- Chris Rogers – High Plains Chapter (Chair)
- Terry Casey – Alamo Chapter (SW Section Treasurer)
- Mala Belemonte – Gulf Coast Chapter
- Christine Westerman – Alamo Chapter
- Cindy Smiley – Central Texas Chapter (SW Section Director)
- Chris Rogers – High Plains Chapter
- Ana Childers – Oklahoma Chapter
- Pete Belemonte – Gulf Coast Chapter (Chair)
- Marla Roberts – Alamo Chapter (logon on late)

Note: 5 Board members, including Chapter representatives, were present which did constitute a quorum (4 Board members are required for a quorum).

Minutes from Previous Conference Call – Chris Rogers motion to approve the minutes with no additions or corrections. Anna Childers seconded. All approved; no objections.

Treasurer Report – Terry Casey February & March report. Only expenses, reimburse of chapter dues. Restricted funds – holding chapter scholarship money and ACE account. See Treasurer report for details.

Christine Westerman moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Cindy Smiley seconded the motion. All approved; no objections.

Anticipated Expenses for this year for ACE 2012 Planning – Terry Casey. Created budget for Section participation at ACE 2011 and other ACE 2012 planning activities. Terry Casey indicated three options: 1) The highest would be \$6,400 to pay all expenses of 4 people to attend ACE 2011 in Orlando; 2) A medium estimate of \$4,200 would cover all expense for SWS Chair (approximately \$2,000) plus partial expenses for 3 others (Terry Casey, Ryan Bayer, Cindy Smiley) who may have employer contributions to help defray expenses; and 3) The lowest would be \$2,200 to cover SWS Chair costs plus miscellaneous expenses. Options – flat contribution from each chapter or prorated contribution based on membership. Pete Belmonte moved to accept the medium option of \$4,200 and to asked each chapter to contribute a minimum of \$700 toward a dedicated fund for ACE 2012 planning. Chris Rogers seconded the motion. All approved; no objections.

Section Activities

NSR Workshop in Houston in April 13, 14 – Russ Baier attended and he thought it went well. There were 82 people who attended. Local program went well.

GHG Financial Workshop in DFW in March 30 - Canceled – Baier stated this was due to lack of interest.

ACE 2012 Planning –Terry Casey – Have a booth at ACE 2011 with hours and invite exhibitors to ACE 2012. Update – logo is done and letterhead being created & brochures being created. Have brochures for San Antonio activities as well as ACE 2012 and working with San Antonio convention center. Technical Program Lead is Patricia Brush of Air Liquide for ACE 2012 and working on Technical Program. Meet with TCEQ to see if TCEQ will have their trade fair at the ACE 2012 – Cindy Smiley & Russ Baier will meet with TCEQ about this.

Website Update – <http://www.awma-sw.org/index.htm> Art Bedrosian – will pass on info from Web Meeting from HQ regarding what HQ wants website to look like to SW Section. Art will physically convey to Russ via CD because it is around 1 gigabyte and too big to email.

Chapter Reports

Alamo Chapter – Ana Childers - The Alamo Chapter held The Biennial Conference and went well. Next meeting this week, May 12.

Central Texas Chapter – Russ Bairer - The last meeting on April 21st on uranium mining and energy. Next meeting on May 19th. Chairman of TCEQ is presenter in September.

Gulf Coast Chapter – Malcolm Richards – March meeting was Boiler MACT and April meeting by TCEQ on Pollution Prevention. Both well attended. The next meeting is Tuesday, May 10.

High Plains Chapter – Chris Rogers – The March meeting was on GHG. April meeting was on water issues and lab procedures. Pollution Prevention from TCEQ speaker was May meeting. The Chapter has students from West Texas State University and is cultivating this relationship, but not necessarily crating a student chapter. Began ACE 2012 sponsorship money collection.

North Texas Chapter – No report.

Oklahoma Chapter – No report.

Open Discussion

Russ Baier - Corpus Christi Chapter Board voted to disband in February of 2010. Russ still determining if people in Corpus Christi want to re-instate Chapter. Also, no action of de-chartering by Chapter to HQ or Section.

Next Meeting Schedule

Next meeting was set for Monday, July 18 at 9:00 AM.

Adjourned at 10:17 AM