FLORIDA SECTION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 15, 2019
3pm - 4 pm EST
Conference Tele: 1 (855) 242 0361/Code: 50392451#

I. Call to Order & Roll Call – Manitia Moultrie

2018 – 2019 Officers:

Manitia Moultrie - Chair
Susan Kennedy – Immediate Past Chair
Liz Foeller – Executive Secretary
Christina Akly – Vice Chair
Byron Burrows - Secretary/Treasurer
Director (Open Position)
Jill Johnson – Director

II. Old Business:

a. Approval of April Meeting Minutes

i. Minor corrections-

1. Ethics workshop not conference ✓
2. Upasna & BTB were present for the meeting ✓
3. Kaitlyn spelling ✓
4. Byron send Kurt minutes from Feb to present

III. New Business

Request for funding - Climate Change Conference COP 25 (see attached)

DISCUSSION:

Liz provided an overview of the merits of support for sending a representative to the COP25 UN conference in Santiago, Chile. It’s unique and important for AWMA to have a seat at the table and there may be an opportunity for recognition (logo etc). Maybe $500 range is appropriate if the Board decides to support.

Christina asked if rep would be taking a specific position on climate change science. Liz said no position is to be taken but attend as an observer.

Susan asked if sponsored rep could present at the annual conf. Liz said that it’s possible the AWMA president could come to conf but she recommends sponsoring a group, not individual.

Susan supports the concept of the team as opposed to an individual.

Christina recommends using funds to support section initiatives and section members

Liz supports using FL AWMA funds for this
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Byron noted that some funds came in to FLAWMA from International that could be used for this purpose. Liz said some of those funds are for the Chapters but may be under-utilized.
Julika – Do we know who composes the group that would be prospectively sponsored? Liz described a list of delegates and agreed to forward the list to the board.
Liz emailed a presentation with more information for consideration and the chair deferred a vote on this until the June meeting.

IV. Treasurer Report
Approval process for future spending – Liz/Kevin

Manitia provided an update on scholarship application from Dr. Yu (UCF). The following were awarded:
Charlotte Haberstroh (USF) Axel Hendrickson Scholarship, $1,000 cash plus 1 year of international AWMA membership. Awarded after student graduation
Charles Fite (FSU) Florida AWMA Scholarship, $500 cash plus 1 free registration the FLAWMA annual conference
Christian Wireko (FSU) Florida AWMA Scholarship, $250 cash
Chufan Zhou (UF) Florida AWMA Scholarship, $250 cash
Ge Song (UCF) Florida AWMA Scholarship, $250 cash

V. Florida Section A&WMA Technical Conference
a. 2019 Conference – Tallahassee
   i. Website/Sponsors – Joe A./Jill – Jill emailed an update on sponsorship to date (we are up to $8,300 paid and $11,300 committed)
   ii. Venue/Logistics – Liz/Joe A. – Christina coordinating Edison YP event and Joe A coordinating tour
   iii. Technical Conference Committee Update – Joe A.-5/30 at 3pm ET is next meeting
   iv. AWMA Conference App - Susan-deferred
b. International A&WMA 2020/21 -deferred

VI. Review of 2016 – 2019 Goals – updates if available
a. Promote information sharing and grow Florida Section membership – Kaitlyn Tingum
   i. Checking on members with elapsed and upcoming expiring membership to reach out to them. Kaitlyn sent out a draft email for feedback from the Board/committee. Members supported this approach. Susan recommended that the message comes from individual to make the outreach more personal.
   ii. Board members were asked to review the list, reach out to those who you feel you can connect with and let Kaitlyn know.
b. Increase revenue to support new programs & scholarships – all (Jill Johnson) -deferred
c. Energize Florida Chapters – Southeast, Northeast and Big Bend Chapters-deferred
d. Promote student involvement – Upasna Rai-deferred
e. Promote YP development (and participation in conference) - Christina Akly-deferred
f. Building the Florida Section Bench Strengths - All-deferred

VII. Chapter Updates
a. Coastal Plains – Susan gave update on activities
b. Byron – TB had good joint meeting with TBAEP at Brio with HCEPC speaker with overview of local emission reductions. Collaborating with like-minded organizations can be a good way to get the FLAWMA benefits out there.
c. SE – Christina - Webinars successful
d. Big Bend – Joe A and Sheplak reached out to FSU engineering college and Joe B is reaching out to Law School

VIII. Other items
IX. Adjourn – 4:07 pm