

# MINNESOTA AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL SECTION BUSINESS MEETING

Thursday, September 25, 2008  
Duluth Entertainment & Convention Center (DECC)  
Duluth, Minnesota

## Meeting Minutes

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Karla Peterson called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

### 2. CONSENT APPROVAL OF:

The 2008 Annual Section Business Meeting minutes and the 2007 Financial Report were published in the Fall 2008 Conference Issue of the *Breeze* for review by the general membership. No comments or corrections were noted.

*A motion to approve the minutes and report was made by Doug Rovang, second by Jon Eaton, and passed unanimously.*

### 3. DISTRIBUTION OF BALLOTS FOR CHAIR-ELECT

Ballots were distributed to the membership for the election of the Chair-Elect. Nominees for chair-elect were Pete Moulton and Adam Kramer. Nominee biographies and visions were published in the recent *Breeze* and posted by the registration desk.

Peterson emphasized that only Minnesota AWWA members can vote.

### 4. FINANCIAL REPORT

Secretary/Treasurer Dave Brown read the most recent 2008 financial numbers, which were also published in the Fall Conference issue of the *Breeze*. Year-end for 2006: income of \$356K, expenses of 290K, for a net income of \$66,000. The net assets as of December 31, 2007 were \$321,000. As of July 31, 2007, the net income for the year was \$135K, expenses were \$90K, for a net income of \$45. The endowment fund as of July 31, 2007 was \$146,000. The goal for the endowment fund is \$180,000.

### 5. CONSENT APPROVAL OF:

#### ASSOCIATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Schultz)

#### DISTRICT REPORTS

Northwest District (Bergantine)  
Northeast District (vacant)  
Central District (Stai)  
Metro District (Coone)  
Southwest District (Moulton)  
Southeast District (Huschle)

#### COUNCIL/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration Council (Cockriel)  
Conference Council (Lubovich)  
Minnesota Associates Council (Belden)  
Public Affairs Council (Volker)  
Training Council (Glassing)  
Water Utility Council (Bullert)

The above reports were published in the *Breeze* and *Light Breeze* for review by the general membership. No comments or corrections were noted from the district trustees, council chairs, or the general membership.

*A motion to approve the minutes was made by Bob Cockriel, second by Bert Tracy, and passed unanimously.*

## **7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

## **8. NEW BUSINESS**

None.

## **9. COMMUNICATIONS**

Summary of the Awards Luncheon:

- 2007 Leonard Thompson – Peterson noted that John Thom was the recipient of last year's Leonard N. Thompson Award.
- 2008 Membership Achievement Certificate – Gary Warner recognized the membership recruitment efforts of Brian Bergantine, Roger Glanzer, Bo Johnston, George Rosati, Steve Schneider, Bill Spain, Bert Tracy, Myron Volker, Gary Warner, Tom Welle, Pete Moulton.
- Water For People Fundraiser – Raised \$4,082 through the golf and fishing tournaments, Minnesota Associates Council (MAC) reception, and sale of ribbons. The total does not include the MAC reception.
- David Morris Endowment Fundraiser – Raised \$1,335 through the golf and fishing tournaments, Manufacturers Associates Council (MAC) reception, and sales of ribbons.
- Scholarship Awards – Jon Eaton announced the Water Utility Management Institute (WUMI) scholarship (WUMI) and Advanced Degree Scholarship recipients. The WUMI recipients are Tom Ozzello, Oak Park Heights; Steve Gilberg, Eagan; Sean Diercks, Montrose; Brian Young, Richfield; Daniel Curley, Shoreview; Jedd Braunworth, Waconia. The Advanced Degree Scholarship recipient was Matt Kline.
- Fresh Ideas Competition – Brad Forester announced that the recipient of the 2008 Fresh Ideas Award is Tom Ratpukdi.
- Texas Hold 'Em – Doug Klamerus announced that the Young Professionals Committee will be holding a Texas Hold "Em tournament following the banquet tonight.
- Drinking Water Institute – Stew Thornley updated the membership on the Drinking Water Institute performed this year in Lakeville and module on drinking water
- Meter Madness – Chris Glassing talked about the Meter Madness Competition, which was held for the first time this year. Fifteen contestants took part in the competition. Third place: Jim Sadler, 1:11.53 seconds. Second place: Mark Knoff, 1:10.38 seconds. First place: Chris Voeltz, 1:08.78 seconds.

## **10. ELECTION RESULTS**

The Chair-elect winner is Pete Moulton.

*A motion to destroy the ballots was made by Glen Gerads, second by Jon Eaton, and passed unanimously.*

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

*A motion to adjourn the business meeting at 12:26 p.m. was made by Steve Lapinski, seconded by Brian Bergantine, and passed unanimously.*