

MINUTES
Kansas “Sunflower Chapter”
Solid Waste Association of North America
Board Meeting

Date: December 7, 2012

Place: City/County Building
 Salina, Kansas

Those participating:

Mike Fraser, President*

Kent Seyfried, Director

Kathy Richardson, Director

* Denotes those in attendance.

John Hawk, V. President*

Darren Gilbert, Director*

Jeff Beyer, Director

Bill Ridge, Secretary*

Mike Tabor, Treasurer*

Jack Chappelle, member*

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mike F. at 10:44 AM.

2. SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS: None presented.

3. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: None.

4. CONFERENCE SUMMARY:

A. Congratulations to the Board and KDHE for a great conference was expressed by Mike F.

B. Conference Statistics: We had 196 registrants and 18 vendors.

C. Conference comment sheets: Salina location is good. The program was good without negative comments. The most negative comments were on the vendor area (lighting and no room for growth). Food was good. Conference area good. Rooms not on par with other locations.

D. Future Locations: The survey stated: Wichita, Hutchinson, Salina, McPherson and Emporia. Jack C. stated that his office has made a study of the cities in Kansas that had facilities (conference centers, restaurants, hotel/motel. Etc that could support this conference. Their findings were 12- 15 possibilities. This will require more investigation.

E. List of those holding SWANA Certification: We did not get any feedback on this and will need to try other methods to get this information.

F. List of changes to membership database: Mike F. had a few to give to John H. for either Mary or Lorie to update.

5. 2013 PLANNING DISCUSSION:

A. Board Areas of Responsibility:
 Legislative Issues and I.B. representative – John H.
 Audit Committee Ch. – Darren G.
 Treasurer -- Mike T.
 Scholarship Committee Ch.—Bill R.
 ROAD-E-O co Ch. --Kent S. & Darren G.
 Communications Ch. --Kathy R.
 Bi-laws Committee coCh. –Kent S. & Kathy R.
 Roundtables & Awards—Jeff B.

B. Roundtable Schedule:
 1st – Olathe, on March 21, 2013
 2nd & 3rd—Winfield & Hays

- C. Western Kansas Solid Waste Summit: Mike F. handed out a proposed program containing possible Topics, Speakers, Location, time of year, & length of program. There was limited discussion and will be further developed at a later date.

6. **2013 GOALS and OBJECTIVES:**

(Reaffirmed Goals)

- A. Continue to provide an Annual Solid Waste Conference/Training Event for Kansas.
- B. Continue to Distribute a Chapter Newsletter 3-4 times a year.
- C. Make Annual Board Member Assignments for specific areas of responsibility.
- D. Continue an Annual Scholarship Program assisting at least two Kansas students.
- E. Continue to participate in the SWANA annual International Board meetings.
- F. Continue to offer chapter and solid waste information on the chapter website.
- G. Continue to track and report national and state legislative issues.
- H. Continue to offer three solid waste Roundtable meeting with an educational element.

(New Goals)

AWARDS:

Establish a chapter award program being presented at the annual conference. Outstanding solid waste management programs of the year for each Sub-Title D & Semi-arid Landfills, Collection Programs and Transfer Stations.

- 1. Outstanding Operator of the year
- 2. Solid Waste Management Leader of the year.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Restructure the Kansas website and keep it up to date.

EDUCATION:

Establish at least one free solid waste related e-sessions for Kansas Chapter

members.

Conduct a Western Kansas Solid Waste Summit in Hays to address AG issues.

FINANCE:

Investigate alternate investment opportunities for the Kansas Chapter funds.

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES:

Increase board responsiveness to take action on legislative issues.

MEMBERSHIP:

Increase the Kansas Chapter Membership to over 100.

7. **NOMINATION FOR WRN RISING STAR AWARD ENDORSEMENT OF RECOMMENDATION. We have received a request from the City of Lawrence for our chapters support of Kathy Richardson for this award. John H. moved that the Sunflower Chapter fully support this award to Kathy R. Bill R. seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

8. NEXT MEETING:

At McPherson on Thursday, January 10, 2013., at 9:30 A.M. at the Holiday Manor.

9. ADJOURNMENT TIME:

Mike T. moved that meeting be adjourned. John H. seconded the motion all voted in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 12:06 P.M.K.

Submitted to the Board by: _____ Signed _____ 1/7/13
 William Ridge, Secretary Date
 Kansas Sunflower Chapter, SWANA