

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

Date: June 14, 2012

Place: Civic Building
 Second Floor
 111 E. 6th Avenue
 Emporia, Kansas

Those participating:

Mike Fraser, President*

Mike Kukuk, IB Rep*

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 10:36 AM.

2. **OFFICERS REPORTS**

A. Secretary’s Report:

- a. Minutes of April 26, 2012 were presented by Bill R. Motion to approve minutes was made by Mike T. Motion was seconded by Jeff B. Motion passed with all voting in favor.

B. Treasurer’s Report:

- a. Financial Report: Mike T. reported that we had a bank balance of \$47,729.26 as of June 5, 2012.

C. IB Representative:

- a. Attendance at IB Meeting at WASTECON in Washington DC on August 11-12 was discussed. Mike K. presented a proposed expense to attend. Motion to accept the proposed expense was made by Mike T. Darren G. seconded motion. Motion passed.
- b. Top issues for the meeting will be fee increase on membership dues. When will dues for local chapters be addressed? A need to reduce the cost for IB participation (it takes most if not all our dues to send our rep to the two meetings yearly). This seems excessive. Maybe more could be done by internet, conference calls, etc.
- c. Other issues Mike K. is to summarize and forward to members including National/ State issues.

- D. President:** Mike F. reported that we had available from the Salina Chamber of Commerce \$150 for hotel expense, a clerk for 2 hours, and information packets for each attendee. It was reported that the cost of meals was going to be higher than we had paid in the past.

3. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Training/Education:** Mike T. will try to find out what we have available statewide that would be of interest to our membership in an effort to better serve them. The topic of E-courses was discussed and two months lead time is not enough to put together a successful event. We need to be plan six months in advance if possible.

B. Membership/Round Tables:

- a. Our chapter membership stands at 83 (as of 5/3/12) our goal for 2012 was set at 100. We need to continue to think how we can meet this goal.
- b. Our next Round Table Events:
 1. The Junction City event had twenty attendees and was on legislative issues.
 2. The Emporia Roundtable had an emphasis on landfills.
 3. The Colby event will be September 20th. The topic is yet to be determined. Jeff will contact Bill Bider about possible speaker/topic. We want to attach an educational element to our roundtables.

C. Website/Newsletter: Kathy reported that the quickest way to get our website updated and running is thru Holly Nelson-2 Computer Chicks. The charge would be \$75 per hour for maintenance. Kathy had a contract for this service. Mike T. made a motion to sign the contract. John H. seconded the motion. Motion passed.
Kathy requested for board approval of the final draft via e-mail.. The next letter will be sent by mail and include a conference registration.
Kathy is investigating offering advertising space in newsletter. It was suggested that it would be offered to all interested parties in our field with a possible discount to members.

D. Scholarship: Bill R. that the committee had selected Hannah Richardson as the winner of our chapter \$500 scholarship. Her application has been submitted to National to compete in their scholarship competition.

E Road-E-O: Darren G. reported that we had a very successful event. We had good participation and good sponsorship support from Downing Sales & Service, Bayne Thinline, Elliott Equipment, and Rehrig Pacific Company. The winners of the events will travel to Kentucky in August to compete in the national event

F. Audit Committee: Darren G. Reported the next Audit report would be expected at the end of January 2013.

G. Awards Committee: John H. reported that the awards program this year will include awards for each the Solid Waste Operators and the Solid Waste Managers. Definitions and qualifying criteria will be developed for approved by the board.

4. OLD BUSINESS:**Conference Planning:**

Hotel Logistics: Mike F. presented the costs of the meals as John H. set as done in past. The costs are going to be higher. It was discussed and determined that good meals were very important to the success of this conference. Mike K. made a motion to accept the menu as presented and increase registration by \$10 to offset the added cost. Kathy R. seconded the motion. Motion passed

Registration: John H. reported that the "Save the Day" card will be sent in June. Registrations will be sent in September including vendors.

Topics and speakers: Mike K. and Jack C. will be determining topics and speakers for each of the three themes of the conference.

Vendors and Sponsorship: Mike T. and Darren G. are working on this item.

Tours: Mike F. reported that the cost for Rolling Hills was high. It was determined that with the cost of transportation and costs of tour that we should eliminate tours and see if time could be used better in presentations. Wait until speakers have been determined.

.International Board Member: Mike K. is to put together a draft of the duties expected from this position and present it for review.

5. **NEW BUSINESS: 2013 Conference:** None at this time.

6. **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held at the City/County Building at Salina on August 2, 2012, at 10:30 AM.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Jeff B. moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mike T. – seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 PM.

Submitted to the Board by: _____ Signed _____ Date 7/31/12
William Ridge, Secretary
Kansas Sunflower Chapter, SWANA