

## **Minutes of the February 21, 2012 ANJR Board of Directors Meeting at Morris County Library, Whippany, NJ**

**Members Present:** D. D'Altilio, M. Williams, R. Hutchinson, B. Peterson, M. Vangieri, D. Caputo, R. Casapulla, F. Cornell, D. DeMatte, A. Giordano Sr., M. Gismondi, P. Jones, A. Kontovrakis, E. Kuhlwein, P. McGaheran, J. McNellis, Jennifer Solewski for V. Montecalvo N. Paquette, G. Russell, C. Tolmachewich, M. Vastano, A. Yoss, M. Kruzan

**Members Absent:** J. Pellichero

**Members Excused:** J. Clark, W. DeFeo, B. Fiedler, M. Fisher, A. Moore, D. Napoleon

**Guests:** Guy Watson, NJDEP; Fred Parody, Sims Recycling Solutions

**Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 12:22 P.M. An attendance sheet was circulated in lieu of roll call.

**Approval of Minutes** – The minutes of the January 17, 2012 meeting were distributed via e-mail prior to the meeting. Donna Caputo noted that it was stated in the January 17<sup>th</sup> minutes, under the heading of ANJR Annual meeting, “Ann Williams stated that since space is limited, this may not be a good idea”. Ann Williams did not state this; it should be Ann Moore.

Donna Caputo made a motion to approve the minutes with this correction. Alan Yoss seconded; all were in favor.

**Correspondence:** - President D'Altilio reported that ANJR sent a letter to Senator Lesniak on February 16<sup>th</sup> providing comments regarding bill S1351. The Association expressed its concern that imposing on the recycling industry the same A-901 licensing requirements as mandated by law for the solid waste industry has the potential to cause more harm than good. ANJR supports the sponsor's intent to provide safeguards against potential criminal influence in recycling, and truly appreciates the extension of time that Chairman Lesniak granted ANJR to develop its proposed amendments; however we continue to fear that the legislation may prove unduly burdensome and costly to many of the small and ethically upstanding business participants in our industry, and also fear it may discourage the entry of new recycling technologies into the state.

Anthony Giordano asked Fred Cornell what ISRI's position is on this bill and Fred stated that ISRI is staying neutral for now.

President D'Altilio stated that ANJR will keep a close eye on this bill.

### **Officers' Reports**

#### **President's Report**

##### Annual Meeting:

President D'Altilio stated that the committee continues to prepare for the Annual meeting.

25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the NJ Statewide Source Separation and Recycling Act: At the January meeting Guy Watson reported that the NJDEP has been invited by the ACUA, to join in a commemorative event celebrating the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the NJ Statewide Source Separation and Recycling Act. This event will be held on April 24, 2012 at Stockton College. President D'Altilio reported that the ACUA has asked ANJR to provide resources for this program. We have

been asked to coordinate the registration including collecting fees and signing the participants in at the event.

Marie Kruzan added that coordinating the registration is very cumbersome especially since all of the public employees pay by purchase order. The entire purchase order system requires many steps--it is not simply collecting checks. Mark Vangieri stated that if ANJR takes on this responsibility we should be compensated.

Dom D'Altilio reported that the ACUA wants to have a program during the day and a reception at night. He also reported that Barbara Fielder stated that it is very difficult to park at the college.

The entire board agreed that ANJR should be involved. Many board members were concerned that if ANJR sponsors this program and it is not a success, ANJR can look bad.

The entire Board discussed this in great detail and decided on the following:

1. ANJR should not coordinate the registration for this event.
2. ANJR will help promote, but not sponsor the event. We will email invitations to our membership and advertise the program on our web site.

## **Vice Presidents:**

### Administration:

On behalf of Barbara Fiedler, President D'Altilio asked if the board received the bylaws changes. Everyone responded that they received the changes. This is considered the second reading of the bylaws changes. President D'Altilio asked if all the Board members were in favor of an Emeritus Membership and all members were in favor. He also asked if all Board members were in favor of the "Whistleblower" policy and all members were in favor. The bylaw changes will be presented to the entire membership at the annual meeting.

Emeritus Membership – pending acceptance of the membership at large, Gray Russell nominated Jean Clark the first Emeritus Member, seconded by Donna Caputo, all were in favor. Ron Hutchinson nominated Ann Scott the second Emeritus Member, seconded by Patrick McGaheran, all were in favor.

### Program:

#### Swap & Share:

Melinda reported that the South Swap & Share will be held on February 29<sup>th</sup> in Vineland and the North Swap & Share will be held on March 8<sup>th</sup> in Morris County.

#### Tonnage Grant Workshop:

Melinda reported that on February 22<sup>nd</sup> ANJR will be hosting a Northern Tonnage Grant Workshop in Somerset County and 107 people are registered to attend this program. The Southern workshop will be held in Gloucester County on June 5<sup>th</sup>.

#### ANJR Annual Meeting:

Melinda Williams reported that the planning committee will have a quick meeting after the board meeting to discuss the Annual Meeting.

Development: Ron Hutchinson reported that Covanta has become a member and he thanked Penny Jones. Ron also reported that Republic has become a member and that Greenstar has inquired about hosting a booth at the annual meeting, and Marie has gotten them to pay a \$5,000 membership.

Treasurer: Bernie Peterson read the treasurer's report. Nancy Paquette made a motion to file the report for audit. Ernie Kuhlwein seconded; all were in favor.

Secretary – No report.

### **Executive Director's Report:**

Marie Kruzan reported that a third mailing was sent out for the membership that expired in January. Nancy Paquette asked Marie Kruzan if ANJR can add a column on its membership list that included business type. Marie stated that she will work on this.

Marie Kruzan reported that she has been elected to the National Board for the national certification program.

President D'Altilio presented the board with the upcoming board schedule:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Place</b>
4/17	Greensky Industries, Clifton
5/15	Mercer County Boat House, West Windsor
6/19	PSEG, Salem
8/21	Integrity Recycling will host, site to be determined
9/18	Rutgers Ecocomplex, Bordentown
10/17	Annual Symposium
12/4	Sims Recycling Solutions, Jersey City

### **Committee Reports**

#### Class A Committee:

Anthony Giordano reported that the committee has reviewed the definition of class A recyclables and made some tweaks to plastic and corrugated cardboard. The committee also discussed S1351.

### **NJDEP Report:**

There was no NJDEP report.

### **New Business:**

Nancy Paquette stated that she felt that the NJDEP tonnage grant conversions for single stream recycling are not accurate. She believes that her numbers are more accurate. Reenee Casapulla stated that you should always use the most accurate numbers so if you feel your conversions are more accurate, you should use them.

**Adjournment** – Dennis DeMatte made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Donna Caputo seconded; all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 2:05 PM. The April meeting will be held at Greensky Industries in Clifton on April 17, 2012 at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark Vangieri, Secretary