

Minutes of the May 15, 2012 ANJR Board of Directors Meeting at the Mercer County Boathouse Marina, West Windsor, NJ

Members Present: D. D'Altilio, B. Fiedler, M. Gismondi, B. Peterson, M. Vangieri, D. Caputo, R. Casapulla, W. DeFeo, D. DeMatte, M. Fisher, A. Giordano Sr., E. Kuhlwein, P. McGaheran, J. McNellis, Jennifer Solewski for V. Montecalvo, A. Moore, D. Napoleon, N. Paquette, J. Pellichero, M. Quinn, G. Russell, C. Tolmachewich, M. Williams, A. Yoss, M. Kruzan

Members Absent: M. Vastano,

Members Excused: R. Hutchinson, J. Clark, J. Mulligan, P. Jones, A. Kontovrakis,

Guests:

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 12:21 P.M. An attendance sheet was circulated in lieu of roll call.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of the April 17, 2012 meeting were taken by Penny Jones and distributed via e-mail prior to the meeting. It was noted that page 4 paragraph 1 should say “will be” not “wiibe”. It was also noted that on page 3, DEP Report, it states Gloucester County has 21 towns when they actually have 24 towns.

Dennis DeMatte made a motion to approve the minutes with these corrections. Melinda Williams seconded; all were in favor.

Correspondence:

Fred Cornell resignation:

President D'Altilio reported that ANJR received a letter from Fred Cornell asking to resign from the board. Fred is moving to Virginia and he suggested that Maite Quinn of SimsiMetal Management replace him on the board. Donna Caputo made a motion to accept Fred's resignation, Dennis DeMatte seconded with regret and all were in favor.

Monica Gismondi made a motion to accept Ms. Quinn as Fred's replacement on the board, seconded by Melinda Williams and all were in favor.

Grey Russell stated that a letter should be sent to Fred Cornell to thank him for his service to the board.

Thank you letter from ACUA:

President D'Altilio reported that the Atlantic County Utilities Authority sent a letter to ANJR to thank us for participating in the 25th Anniversary of the signing of the recycling law in NJ. Gray Russell asked how the program was. Dennis DeMatte stated that the facilities were great and Governor Kean was very good. The turnout was okay.

Letter from NJ Attorney General:

Marie Kruzan reported that ANJR received a certified letter from the NJ Attorney General stating that, as part of a settlement, Dr. Leonard's had to make a \$22,500 donation to an environmental group. Dr. Leonard's chose ANJR and a check for \$22,500, endorsed to ANJR, was enclosed with the letter. After confirming that this wasn't a scam, Marie contacted ANJR's accountant for

advice on how to manage this money. It was decided that this money will be deposited into a separate grant account. ANJR needs to decide on how to spend this money. Reenee Casapulla suggested establishing a scholarship fund.

Officers' Reports

President's Report

The president's report was included with the correspondence.

Vice Presidents:

Administration:

Barbara Fiedler stated that there is nothing new to report. President D'Altilio stated that the new bylaws will be sent to the board members once the new section for record retention is added.

Program:

Monica Gismondi reported that the southern tonnage grant workshop will be held on November 28th in Clayton.

Monica also reported that the 25th anniversary of the NJ Recycling Law will be recognized at the annual symposium. She also stated that the planning committee will have a short meeting immediately after the Board meeting.

Development: Since Ron Hutchinson was excused from the meeting there was no report.

Treasurer: Bernie Peterson read the treasurer's report. Barbara Fiedler made a motion to file the report for audit. Ann Moore seconded; all were in favor.

Secretary – No report.

Executive Director's Report:

Marie Kruzan reported that the Occupational Training Center of Burlington County has renewed its inner circle membership. Marie also reported that the membership renewals for January are mostly completed.

Marie Kruzan also reported that the national recycling certification program is still not very organized.

Committee Reports

Class A Committee:

Anthony Giordano reported that the committee has reviewed the definition of class A recyclables and will be sending a letter to the DEP suggesting the following changes: include all types of plastic not just plastic containers, and pallets should also be included in the definition. Wayne DeFeo and Gary Sondermeyer have volunteered to write the letter.

NJDEP Report:

There was no NJDEP report.

DEP Stakeholders Task Force “Transformation” meeting – Dirty MRF’s:

Executive Director Kruzan reported that the solid waste industry has stated that there is better equipment today to separate recyclables from trash. They would like to see a general exemption process for this activity not separate exemptions from each municipality that the materials are generated in. There was a long conversation regarding this and there was no general agreement.

New Business:

President D’Altilio reported that Bernie Peterson researched different microphones and found one that was less than \$300 and that ANJR will purchase it. The microphone will be used for presentations at facilities that don’t have microphones or speakers.

Adjournment – Alan Yoss made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ann Moore seconded; all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 1:32 PM. The June meeting will be held at PSE&G in Paulsboro on June 19, 2012 at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Vangieri, Secretary