

Minutes of the June 19, 2012 ANJR Board of Directors Meeting at PSE&G, Paulsboro, NJ

**Members Present:** D. D’Altilio, R. Hutchinson, B. Peterson, M. Vangieri, M. Fisher, P. Jones, A. Kontovrakis, E. Kuhlwein, Gary Sondermeyer for V. Montecalvo, J. Mulligan, D. Napoleon, N. Paquette, J. Pellichero, M. Quinn, C. Tolmachewich, M. Williams, M. Kruzan

Members Absent: G. Russell

**Members Excused:** B. Fiedler, M. Gismondi, D. Caputo, R. Casapulla, J. Clark, W. DeFeo, D. DeMatte, A. Giordano Sr., P. McGaheran, J. McNellis, A. Moore, M. Vastano, A. Yoss

**Guests:** None.

**Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 10:12 P.M. An attendance sheet was circulated in lieu of roll call.

**Approval of Minutes** – The minutes of the May 15, 2012 meeting were distributed via e-mail prior to the meeting. Dan Napoleon made a motion to approve of the minutes. Ron Hutchinson seconded; all were in favor.

**Correspondence** - There were no correspondence.

#### **Officers’ Reports**

**President’s Report** - Dominick D’Altilio welcomed John Mulligan to the board. Dominick reported that ANJR has received its office lease and that there is no increase. Dominick also reported that he is going to set-up a committee meeting to make recommendations on how to spend the Dr. Leonard’s money.

#### **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 was excused, but Dominick D’Altilio reported that he received an email from Monica stating that she is attempting to set-up a planning meeting on July 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup> to be held at the EcoComplex.

Development: Ron Hutchinson reported that he has been working on a membership for Wegmans, but they don’t have their internal “act together” so he is doubtful that they will join. Penny Jones suggested contacting Mack Cali.

Treasurer: Bernie Peterson read the treasurer’s report. Penny Jones asked if ANJR is doing well. Marie Kruzan reported that ANJR’s funding is “up” from last year. Nancy Paquette made a motion to file the report for audit. Melinda Williams seconded; all were in favor.

Secretary: No report.

**Executive Director’s Report** - Marie Kruzan reported that she is still “fighting” with Verizon. They continue to contact her about equipment that has been sent back. They also insist that ANJR owes them money even though Marie has proof that they have been paid.

Marie also reported that she has a conference call scheduled for June 20, 2012 regarding the national recycling certification program. Marie reported that California wants to establish a national exam. Marie reported that many members of the group believe that there should be state certification programs. Ron Hutchinson agreed, he stated that engineers, lawyers and other professionals are state certified not nationally certified.

Marie Kruzan reported that the July membership renewal has been sent out. This includes three inner circle renewals.

CRP Credits for ANJR membership - Dominick D'Altilio reported that ANJR received an email from Carol Broccoli asking if ANJR members can receive credit for renewing their membership. Bernie Peterson and Melinda Williams both stated that at a minimum the member must attend a function to earn credits not just renew membership. The entire board agreed that credit should not be granted for membership, but members agreed that maybe extra credit can be awarded to members for attending functions.

Bernie Peterson made a motion that beginning in 2013 ANJR members will receive an additional ½ meeting credit for attending the ANJR Annual Meeting and an additional ½ meeting credit for attending the Annual Symposium. The motion was seconded by Penny Jones and all were in favor.

### **Committee Reports**

**Class A Committee** - Gary Sondermeyer reported that the plastic definition in the regulations does not reflect what is actually being recycled.

Gary also reported that a clarification needs to be provided for pallets. If pallets (a class B recyclable) are piled up at a class A facility - this should not be a violation as long as the amount is considered incidental.

**NJDEP Report** - There was no NJDEP report.

NJDEP letter sent to mayors:

Nancy Paquette reported that Jane Kozinski, NJDEP Assistant Commissioner, sent a letter to all of the NJ Mayors reminding them that recycling should occur at outdoor venues and she provide some helpful hint to assure that this takes place.

### **New Business:**

#### S1717:

Dominick D'Altilio reported that comments were provided by Frank Brill at a Senate Hearing regarding S1717 which proposes to eliminate the exception to public advertising and bidding requirements for local public contracts involving marketing of recyclable materials. Dominick stated that there has been no new action regarding this bill. Marie Kruzan stated that with the current budget issues she believes that there may be no movement regarding this bill.

#### ANJEE Meeting:

Dominick D'Altilio and Marie Kruzan were asked to speak at an Alliance for New Jersey Environmental Education (ANJEE) meeting and they answered many questions regarding single stream and other recycling issues.

Committee Assignments:

A listing of ANJR committees was circulated and each board member was asked to volunteer for at least two committees.

ANJR Golf Outing:

Nancy Paquette asked if the Program Committee has considered hosting a golf outing – possibly following the symposium.

After much discussion it was decided that it is not feasible to accomplish this during 2012. However a Golf Outing Committee has been formed and the members are Nancy Paquette, Dan Napoleon, John Mulligan and Bernie Peterson. The committee will provide the board with suggestions regarding hosting a golf outing in 2013.

**Adjournment** – Ernie Kuhlwein made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Nancy Paquette seconded; all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 11:55 PM. The August meeting will be held on August 21, 2012 at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark Vangieri, Secretary