

ANRJ Board of Directors Meeting
December 03, 2013
Waste Management, Ewing

Members Present: D. D'Altilio, B. Fiedler, D. Caputo, N. Blitz, R. Casapulla, W. DeFeo, A. Giordano Sr., P. Jones, A. Kontovrakis, E. Kuhlwein, B. Lehman, P. McGaheran, J. McNellis, A. Moore, D. Napoleon, N. Paquette, J. Pellichero, G. Russell, J. Solewski, C. Tolmachewich, A. Yoss, M. Kruzan

Members Excused: M. Gismondi, M. Vangieri, J. Clark, D. DeMatte Jr., M. Quinn, M. Vastano, M. Williams, R. Hutchinson

Guest: Guy Watson, DEP

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:31 a.m. An attendance sheet was circulated in lieu of roll call.

Approval of Minutes: Ann Moore motioned to approve the minutes and Penny Jones seconded. The minutes were approved.

Correspondence: Received a letter from the DEP which will be posted on the ANJR website.

Officers' Reports

President's Report:

President D'Altilio reported that the NJ's Recycling Certification Program was reviewed and approved by the National Accreditation Board. Marie Kruzan spear headed this campaign and with her hard work and dedication NJ CRP is now nationally recognized. In order to provide more professional training for Certified Recycling Professionals President D'Altilio stated that a primary goal of ANJR's Board of Directors is to host more professional training. ANJR should host at least two (2) courses to assist CRP with their national certification.

President D'Altilio thanked Dan Napoleon and Janet Pellichero for volunteering to participate in the Nominating Committee.

President D'Altilio reported that ANJR Board Meetings are scheduled for the third Tuesday of every month. The schedule will be emailed to all Directors. Certain dates will overlap with County Coordinator Meetings. A discussion occurred regarding potential new locations for meetings.

Vice Presidents' Reports:

Development:

No report.

Secretary:

No report.

Treasurer:

Donna Caputo discussed the current and year to date balance sheet and P&L. A brief discussion ensued about the current overall financial health of ANJR. Donna reminded everybody that ANJR did not host any in-house seminars in 2013 which typically generate \$4,000 in revenue.

Programs:

Monica Gismondi reported that her committee is actively discussing the next Annual Meeting. A possible current theme is, "Year After Sandy." The committee is discussing possible speakers and the next subcommittee meeting is after the June meeting.

Executive Director's Report:

Marie Kruzan reported on membership and explained the "noticeable" difference in the 2013 large donors.

Ms. Kruzan contributed additional information to Ms. Caputo's financial report.

Ms. Kruzan reported that Steve Rinaldi from Sustainable Jersey emailed her asking if any municipalities required more recycling more items than stated in their County Plan.

Committee & Guest Reports:

Legislation & Guest Report:

Carole Tolmachewich reported that the Food Waste Committee is meeting on a regular basis and that Gary Sondermeyer has completed the 1st White Paper Draft. The committee is meeting in January and will discuss the draft and potentially the 2nd draft.

Ms. Tolmachewich reported on updates of the "Paint Bill". Discussions ensued on how it would work in NJ and how it compares to other existing bills. A county coordinator subcommittee is reviewing suggestions and will forward a list to the American Coating Association. However, the current explanation is that municipal expenses will cease; manufacturers are already onboard; fees will be attached to new paint and these fees will go to Paint Care

DEP Report:

Guy Watson reported that the Attorney General signed off on a contract with Rutgers for an e-waste/plastic study.

Mr. Watson reported that the DEP still has questions regarding the recently bid Waste Characteristic Study, specifically on measurements and required confidence levels. A detailed discussion ensued between board members and the general consensus was that the results will be skewed due to language in the current RFP. Board members suggested a better use of the money would be to address uses for galsss and how to rmove glass from the curbside recycling stream.

Mr. Watson reported that the according to the existing e-waste bill manufacture's recycling obligation is increasing in 2014.

Mr. Watson reported that the REA taxes collected post Sandy will show as an increase in Fiscal Year 2015. Board Members suggested on different ways to allocate the additional funds.

Discussions:

Board members discussed establishing recycling priorities for 2014

Reenee Casapulla reported on their Flag Retiring Pilot Program. The test burn occurred in a crematorium and the official ceremony is on January 07, 2014.

Ernest Kuhlwein reported that John Hoss recently passed away.

Adjournment:

President D'Altilio requested a motion to adjourn the meeting; Gray Russell motioned and Ann Moore seconded and the meeting ended at 1:05 pm.

During lunch Penny Jones, Reenee Casapulla and Gray Russell showed a video they worked on with a discussion with Jean Clark on starting recycling in NJ. A discussion occurred prior to the video on a potential financial contribution to the school that produced the video.

The next scheduled meeting is January 21, 2014.

Respectfully,

Neil L. Blitz