

Minutes of the August 19, 2014 ANJR Board of Directors Meeting at the NJ EcoComplex, Bordentown, NJ

Members Present: D. D’Altilio, B. Fiedler, M. Gismondi, R. Hutchinson, D. Caputo, M. Vangieri, A. Contillo Andersen, N. Blitz, R. Casapulla, W. DeFeo, E. Kuhlwein, W. Lehman, P. McGaheran, A. Moore, D. Napoleon, N. Paquette, J. Pellichero, G. Russell, C. Tolmachewich, M. Williams, A. Yoss, M. Kruzan

Members Absent: R. Anderson

Members Excused: A. Giordano Sr., P. Jones, A. Kontovrakis, J. McNellis, M. Quinn, J. Solewski, M. Vastano

Guests: Guy Watson

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 10:09 A.M. An attendance sheet was circulated in lieu of roll call.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of the June 17, 2014 meeting were distributed via e-mail prior to the meeting. Ron Hutchinson made a motion to approve the minutes. Ernie Kuhlwein seconded; all were in favor.

Correspondence:

None were received.

Officers’ Reports

President’s Report:

Dominick D’Altilio thanked Monica Gismondi, Melinda Williams and the program committee for all of their hard work to make the two August recycling workshops a great success.

Dominick D’Altilio informed the board that he and Marie Kruzan will be meeting with Jane Kozinski of the NJDEP on August 20, 2014 to discuss food waste recycling and food shed areas in New Jersey.

Vice Presidents:

Development:

Ron Hutchinson reported that he is pursuing a potential new business member, 1-800-got-junk. They have three franchises in NJ. Ron has contacted their corporate office in Canada.

Administration:

There was no report.

Program:

Monica Gismondi reported that the 2 half-day recycling workshops held in August were a success. 59 people attended the northern session and 36 people attended the southern session. The evaluations received provided the committee with information for topics for future workshops.

Monica also stated that there will be a program committee meeting following the board meeting to discuss possible themes and speakers for the symposium. Monica has also reminded the board that donations are needed for the symposium auction.

Treasurer:

Donna Caputo read the treasurer's report. Gray Russell made a motion to file the report for audit. Ron Hutchinson seconded; all were in favor.

Secretary:

Mark Vangieri asked the board to provide him with information for the Fall 2014 newsletter.

Executive Director's Report:

Marie Kruzan reported that in response to the July membership mailing, 15 – 20 members still have not renewed their membership. Marie also reported that ANJR has received its sustaining membership from PSE&G and Inner Circle memberships from Laser Save and The Newark Group. Marie also stated that some new memberships were received from the golf outing.

Marie also reported that Nancy Paquette and the golf outing committee did a great job. There were 72 golfers. In 2013, a net revenue of \$4,000 was received from the golf outing and in 2014 \$8,000 was received. Marie also reported that a net revenue of \$3,600 was received from the two August workshops.

Marie and Ron Hutchinson reported that they are still working on the Alcoa grant and a revision was made and submitted to the Alcoa Foundation. ANJR should receive notification from Alcoa in September regarding the status of the grant proposal.

Committee Reports

Golf Committee:

Nancy Paquette reported that the outing was a great success and she thanked the committee for all of their hard work. All other program details were reported in the Executive Directors report.

New Membership Committee:

Nancy Paquette reported that the committee met prior to the board meeting and many topics were discussed, including sending business members a certificate of membership and sending quarterly emails to the membership highlighting the business members.

Class B Committee:

No report.

Legislative Committee:

As reported in the Presidents report, the committee is meeting with the NJDEP on August 20th to discuss food waste recycling.

Food Waste Committee:

Carol Tolmachewich reported that the committee has a goal to develop legislation that can be introduced in the fall.

Reenee Casapulla asked if the email that was received by the counties by Joe Davis regarding possible funding for a municipal/county food waste grant has anything to do with the ANJR committee. Carol responded that they are not related. Guy Watson stated that the NJDEP will have \$500,000 dedication towards a food waste grant for municipalities and counties and further details will be provided in the future.

NJDEP Report:

Guy Watson reported that a vast majority of his time has been spent on e-waste recycling. A long discussion regarding the state of e-waste recycling in NJ was held.

Guy also discussed the amounts of money that have been dedicated in the budget for the tonnage grant program.

Guy asked for two volunteers to review the annual recycling awards packets. Reenee Casapulla and Mark Vangieri volunteered.

New Business:

There was no new business.

Adjournment – Ann Moore made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alan Yoss seconded, all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 11:27 AM. The next meeting will be held on September 16, 2014 at the Ocean County Recycling Center, Lakewood, NJ at noon.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Vangieri, Secretary