

Minutes of the June 16, 2015 ANJR Board of Directors Meeting at Duke Farms, Hillsborough Township, NJ

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

Members Absent: R. Hutchinson

Members Excused: R. Casapulla, M. Ferreby, P. Jones, J. Pellichero, M. Vastano

Guests: Frank Brill

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 10:15 A.M. An attendance sheet was circulated in lieu of roll call.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of the May 19, 2015 meeting were distributed via e-mail prior to the meeting. Donna Caputo noted that the roll call was inaccurate; she was not in attendance at the May 19th meeting. Ann Moore made a motion to approve the minutes with this one change. Wayne DeFeo seconded; all were in favor.

Correspondence:

President D’Altilio reported that a letter was sent to Senator Smith in response to the electronics bill, S2973. The letter was presented at the June 15th hearing before the Senate Environment and Energy Committee. Frank Brill stated that Senator Smith will be hosting a July 14th stakeholder meeting in Trenton.

Officers’ Reports

President’s Report:

President D’Altilio reported that on June 3rd a waste audit was performed at the New Brunswick Middle School. The audit was videoed and will be one of the videos that will be used to expand ANJR’s on-line manual for school recycling. President D’Altilio thanked the “crew,” including, Donna Caputo, Ron Hutchinson, Dave Sliker and Frank Brill, who performed the waste audit. President D’Altilio also thanked Reenee Casapulla for providing the protective clothing and Wayne DeFeo for providing the scale.

Vice Presidents:

Administration:

There was no report.

Development:

There was no report.

Program:

Monica Gismondi stated that two sign-up sheets are being handed out to the Board. One is for volunteers to help coordinate the symposium. The second one is for donations for the symposium

auction. Monica also stated that there will be a planning committee meeting after the board meeting.

Treasurer:

Donna Caputo read the treasurer's report. Neil Blitz made a motion to file the report for audit. Ernie Kuhlwein seconded; all were in favor.

Secretary:

Mark Vangieri stated that he has started the Summer Newsletter and would like to complete it before the next board meeting. He was also reminded by President D'Altilio that he must coordinate the 2015 REX committee.

Executive Director's Report:

Executive Director Kruzan stated that the July membership applications have been mailed out. The renewals are starting to be received.

Marie also reported that she requested a grant extension from the Alcoa Foundation since the school recycling program is proceeding slower than expected. Marie also reported that she and Gray Russell attended the National Materials Management meeting in Maryland.

Committee Reports

Golf Committee:

Nancy Paquette reported that we have some wonderful gold sponsors including, Waste Management, Bayshore Recycling and Colgate Paper Stock. The number of participant's signed up is less than last year but it's been okay. Nancy also stated that there will be a golf committee meeting after the board meeting.

Class B Committee:

No report.

Legislative Committee:

A397 - ANJR food waste bill. Frank Brill reported that the food waste committee wants to work with the landfill counties to address their concerns.

S1420 – Paint Care bill. Frank Brill reported that the Paint Care bill has been released by the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

Food Waste Committee:

Included in legislative committee report.

NJDEP Report:

President D'Altilio reported that Guy Watson has been unable to attend the board meetings so in the future another NJDEP staff member may attend in Guy's absence. He also reported that, so far, only one town has submitted a NJDEP Bonus Grant for Food Waste, Abandoned Tires and Public Space Recycling.

New Business:

Market Report:

It has been reported that Aluminum prices have been down and that this is negatively affecting the prices of other recyclables. Bill Lehman reported that Baton Rouge has dropped glass from their recycling program.

President D’Altilio asked Board Members Maite Quinn, Robert Anderson and Bill Lehman if they can provide him with a recycling markets update to be posted on the ANJR web site.

Business Interaction:

Neil Blitz stated that he finds it difficult to explain what services ANJR provides to businesses. He stated that ANJR needs a bigger impact within the business community. Other board members stated that they are concerned about losing business members.

Jim Entwistle stated that he is a member for the exposure. He stated that maybe ANJR should have a recognition program where awards are given to business members.

It was decided that the Development Committee will be expanded to address this concern. The following Board members volunteered to serve on this committee:

- Neil Blitz
- Wayne DeFeo
- Jim Entwistle
- Dan Napoleon
- Jennifer Solewski

Adjournment – Wayne DeFeo made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ernie Kuhlwein seconded, all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 12:07 PM. The next meeting will be held on August 18, 2015 at 10:00 AM at the Gloucester County Government Services Building, Clayton, NJ.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Vangieri, Secretary