

Minutes of the April 26, 2016 ANJR Board of Directors Meeting at the Rutgers EcoComplex, Bordentown, NJ

Members Present: A. Contillo Andersen, M. Gismondi, D. Caputo, M. Vangieri, N. Blitz, M. Ferreby, A. Kontovrakis, E. Kuhlwein, W. Lehman, P. McGaheran, A. Moore, D. Napoleon, A. Nesheiwat, J. Pellichero, M. Quinn, J. Solewski, C. Tolmachewich, C. Vidal, M. Williams, M. Kruzan

Members Absent: D. Prostack,

Members Excused: D. D’Altilio, R. Hutchinson, R. Anderson, R. Casapulla, W. DeFeo, J. Entwistle, P. Jones, N. Paquette, G. Russell, A. Yoss

Guests: Frank Brill

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

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of the January 26, 2016 meeting were distributed via email prior to the meeting. Dan Napoleon made a motion to approve the minutes. Ernie Kuhlwein seconded; all were in favor.

The minutes of the February 16, 2016 meeting were distributed via email prior to the meeting. Donna Caputo made a motion to approve the minutes. Bill Lehman seconded; all were in favor.

Correspondence:

Barbara Fiedler has retired and she sent a letter to ANJR stating that she is resigning from the ANJR Board.

Election Report:

Via e-mail, each of the elected board members was asked to review and vote on the Nominating Committee’s following recommendations:

Angela Contillo Andersen to replace Barbara Fiedler as Vice President – Administration, and complete the remainder of her term (one year).

Jennifer Solewski to complete the vacated term of elected Board member Angela Contillo Andersen (one year).

The Nominating Committee’s recommendation of the following 10 nominees for the appointed board member positions:

- Reenee Casapulla
- Ernest Kuhlwein
- Melinda Williams
- James Entwistle
- Amanda Nesheiwat
- Christine Vidal
- Mike Ferreby
- Dominikija Prostack
- Andriana Kontovrakis
- Gray Russell

Secretary Vangieri reported to the Board the following tabulations for the slate:

12 yes
0 no

4 did not vote
Officers' Reports

President's Report:

In lieu of Dominick D'Altilio, Monica Gismondi announced that there are two new members on the ANJR board, Amanda Nesheiwat and Dominikija Prostak. Monica welcomed Amanda.

Monica reported that the annual meeting went well and that ANJR made a profit in excess of \$14,000 from the meeting. 11 vendors, 218 attendees and 7 guests attended the meeting.

Monica also reported that Ron Hutchinson continues working on the business seminar. He would like to see 30 – 35 business participants. Neil Blintz stated that he is investigating the possibility of using the NJ Audubon Plainsboro Preserve in Plainsboro. Mark Vangieri asked the board members to provide business lists of potential participants to Marie Kruzan.

Monica stated that the annual symposium will be held on October 19th and that there will be a symposium planning meeting held after the board meeting.

Vice Presidents:

Administration:

Angela Contillo Andersen stated that she discussed the expectations of the Vice President-Administration position with Barbara Fiedler

Development:

Included in Presidents report.

Program:

Included in Presidents report.

Treasurer:

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

Secretary:

There was no report.

Executive Director's Report:

Marie Kruzan reported that the annual renewals continue to be received. Currently there are 317 members, almost the same amount as there were at this time last year. Marie reported that sponsorship is up by \$2,350 from this same time last year. She also stated that it has been a lot more time consuming this year, getting people to pay their membership.

Committee Reports

Newletter Committee:

Mark Vangieri reported that he has started the spring newsletter and would like to complete it before the next board meeting.

Golf Committee:

Jennifer Solewski reported that money has been coming in, but we need more golfers. Jennifer stated that Bayshore Recycling will be sending out an e-mail blast to their clients.

Class B Committee:

No report.

Legislative Committee:

Frank Brill reported the following:




A2281 - The Smart Container Act - has no real support and the NJ Food Council opposes it.

S771/A2147 - Food Waste bill - Senator Smith will be holding a stakeholders meeting which will include ANJR, Landfill Counties, Rutgers, haulers and businesses that generate large quantities of food waste.

A-2375 - The Electronic Waste Management Act (S-981) was released by the Assembly Appropriations Committee with no changes. It is now on hold awaiting NJDEP amendments.

Recycling Workshops Committee:

Carole Tolmachewich reported that the committee held a meeting on April 11th in Union County. There will be 3 half-day sessions and the topics presented will be: working together to clean up your curbside mix; what's in it for you; processors panel; enforcement & education ideas. The workshops will be held on the following dates at the following facilities:

-  June 7th. Rutgers EcoComplex, Bordentown
-  July 19th. Gloucester County Government Services Building, Clayton
-  September 21st. Kean University, Union

NJDEP Report:

No Report.

Market Report:

Maite Quinn reported that the plastics market has stabilized, and that corrugated cardboard has creeping up.

New Business:

Dan Napoleon stated that the Solid Waste Association of North America – NJ Chapter Conference went well on April 18th and 19th and that Janet Pellichero made a presentation representing ANJR and it went very well.

Adjournment – Ann Moore made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Janet Pellichero seconded, all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 11:57 AM. The next meeting will be held on May 17, 2016 at noon at the Mercer County Boathouse Marina, West Windsor, NJ.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Vangieri, Secretary