

**AWMA Mother Lode Chapter
September Board Meeting**

January 5, 2012
Location: SMAQMD

Attendees

- a. Todd Sax, Air Resources Board, Chapter Chair
- b. Ken Bowers, Air Resources Board,
- c. Gwen Pelletier, CDM
- d. Pat Sullivan, SCS Engineers
- e. Paul Miller, ESA
- f. Joel Reisman,
- g. Gary Rubenstein, Sierra Research
- h. Mark White, Pacific Waste Consulting Group, Secretary

Absent: Martha Murray, Shannon Hatcher

1. Review and Approve Previous Minutes

The minutes were approved as presented.

2. Review of Fall Meeting

- a. Waste Diversion from Landfills, well attended, good topic, good location.

3. Planning for Spring Dinner / Student Meetings; want to do three events.

- a. Permitting / AERMOD issues. Issue is still current. Have three panelists, two consultants and one from a district. The San Joaquin district was interested, but the staff is located too far to travel. Not expecting to get an EPA staff. The purpose would be to discuss issues with the process. Our meeting is to review how to get around this problem. Six issues could be split between the speakers to address. We could record the meeting and put it on the section web page. We decided to do a dinner meeting and follow it with a lunch meeting if the attendance from the district people was not a good as expected. Location, discussed using Sierra Research. Decided that Gary would host [their location can handle 50 people]. Speakers would be from Sacramento District, Gary, and Pat. The three will serve as the committee. The meeting will be scheduled during the first two weeks in February.
- b. COP-17. Larry will do the presentation. Will also get someone from ARB. Meeting will be held in mid-March. Larry will organize it. The meeting will be at Paul's.
- c. Incentive programs related to bioenergy. Could get PG&E speaker, maybe SMUD speaker on their electrical programs. There is an industry group trying to get changes to the law to allow putting clean biogas directly into pipeline and they would have a good speaker. Meeting to be scheduled for April or May. Pat will ask the industry group for a speaker. Paul will ask the American Biogas Conference. Pat and Paul will discuss potential speakers.

d. YP mixer. Gwen has checked with the UCD people. We would have Board members attend to mingle and discuss our organizations. Anthony Eggert is a possible contact as he is taking over as director of a new Energy Policy Institute at UCD. He would be a good speaker at this meeting. Encourage attendance of young professionals and students clubs at UCD and Sac State. Could try using the second floor of the Blue Print. If we did at UCD could use the International House for \$100. Would have to bring food in and it is easy to access for the students. Todd will have a call with Gwen and Shannon to organize.

e. Other Ideas

i. New large refrigerant usage rule the ARB adopted a year ago.

ii. Design products to encourage recycling. Heidi Sanborn did a presentation that Larry saw.

4. Update on Education / Potential Grantees

a. We had six applications: Theodore Judah, Crocker-Riverside, OW Earlewine, Barbara Comstock Morse, Monterey Trails HS, and Will Rogers middle school. Decided to have each Board member rank them and average the scores. Theodore Judah 1 and Earlewine 2. Decided to give Judah and Earlewine both \$1,000 and Will Rodgers \$500.

5. Breathe California project. Todd will contact them about the next steps with their project.

6. Treasurer Update

a. Paul reported that we had about \$20,000 last year and have about the same now.

7. Membership Report

a. Joel reported that he got an updated membership list from National. He will get another update prior to our next event.

8. Timing for Next Meeting

Expect to meet in early Fall.