



**The Wisconsin Section
Central States
Water Environment Association**

**Wisconsin Section CSWEA
Quarterly Officer/Committee/Representative Reports
Winter Board Meeting
February 22, 2006**

Trustee's Report - Rusty Schroedel, Trustee

The most recent meeting of the Central States Executive Committee was held on January 19 and 20, 2006, at the Pheasant Run Resort in St. Charles, Illinois. This is the site for the upcoming annual meeting in May. The following summarizes highlights of the Executive Committee Meeting.

1. The Association has new "Crime" insurance that covers any CSWEA volunteer, officer or compensated official that handles money with coverage provided to \$100,000.00 in losses with a \$1,000.00 deductible. Unauthorized use of an association's credit card (by an employee or volunteer) is also covered. Loss due to theft of a credit card is covered by the credit card company for any loss over \$50. The insurance policy premium provides a considerable savings over the premium for individual bonding.
2. The Treasurer's new duties include reconciling the Association's checking account statements. This practice, separating duties, will need to be extended to the State Sections accounts as well.
3. Eric asked that any changes to committee appointments be forwarded to him as soon as possible and would update the roster in a timely manner.
4. Financial Report
 - a. Income/Disbursements FY2005, Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2005, and the Balance Sheet comparison to the previous year were reviewed.
 - b. Profit & Loss FY2005 found a good job was done in preparing the budget last year.
 - c. The Statement of Financial Position 12.31.05 was also reviewed.
 - d. On the 2005 Annual Fiscal Budget Report, it was suggested that Section Accounts be subtotaled as those accounts are now being reported in the Associations Fiscal Reports.
 - e. Overall, the Association's finances are very healthy, with sound account balances and budgeting practices.
 - f. 2005 FY Audit Authorization - SMT was chosen to perform the audit based on an evaluation and recommendations from the Treasurer.
5. WEF Director '06, Bob Clavel presented the Directors' report.
 - a. WEF will form a task force to review the needs and duties of a Safety Committee. The summary of the Strategy will be presented to the House of Delegates at WEFTEC 2006.

- b. Attendance at WEFTEC 2005 was the second highest ever and they are optimistic about the turnout for WEFTEC in Dallas.
 - c. The WEF Executive Report discussed the process of looking at membership issues. WEF staff has taken over the work of the Membership Committee and created a task force that includes Association Managers. This task force will meet in July and present their findings at WEFTEC 2006. Eric Lecuyer, participating in the task force, reported on the progress of the WEF Membership Work Group. Complementary memberships such as Retiree and Life are being reviewed as well as Group memberships. WEF is also looking at "mining" non-WEF members within MA's, to become WEF members. Eric will present a report to Central States at the Annual Meeting.
6. Other State Trustee Reports
- a. Minnesota: Bob Peplin presented his posted report citing Patti Craddock's successful efforts in organizing this year's Water Festival for September 2006. With plans for over 1000 children to attend, funding will be jointly provided by the State Section as well as the Association. Doug Henrichsen reported that 7 committee members attended the S&YP meeting at the last S&YP Event, which included a facility tour hosted by Dennis Lindeke. On-line registration for the Conference on the Environment was used by 17-18% of those registering. The Section's SOPs have been submitted and they are looking for feedback from the Executive Committee so that they can vote on final revisions at the Section meeting in February.
 - b. Illinois: Beth Vogt's distributed her written report, highlighting the previous day's Government Affairs Seminar and Section meeting. New officers were elected and financial report presented. The Section will provide funding for a number of students to attend the Education Seminar. There was a report from S&YP stating that IWEA/CSWEA has a Joint Chapter with U of I. The IL Section SOPs have also been submitted to the Executive Committee.
7. PWO Representative Report - Lamont Albers reported that the 2005 Operations Challenge teams were to be congratulated on their efforts at WEFTEC 05. The Shovelers placed 17th and The Pumpers came in at 28th. There was only 2 minutes difference in their times. He thanks Jim Miller and Rich Ashling for their fine coaching and Dean Falkner for his help in coordinating sponsorship and practice events. Lamont also brought to the committee's attention an article in WEF's magazine about the two Central States' teams and coaches. In accordance with the SOPs, Lamont will put together the next team by the Annual Meeting in May, keeping in mind that the relationships that are built within the teams and the excitement for the organization that comes from involvement in Operations Challenge provides an excellent pool of individuals from which to develop future leaders of CSWEA
8. Committee and Activity Reports
- a. Education Seminar: The Education Seminar brochure has been mailed. There was discussion about the change in schedule of the Student Paper/Design Competition. Since it is unclear if there will be teams in time for this year's Education Seminar, an exact time slot in the day's schedule is not definite. There is, however, a room reserved for this purpose, regardless of time slot.
 - b. General Awards: The joint report is posted on the website. There was a productive discussion about how to improve responses to calls for nominations including contacting committee chairs soliciting them for nominations. Dennis Lindeke will draft

and present recommended improvements to the nomination process the at the May meeting.

- c. Internet: Eric Lecuyer remarked that the Phase II redesign is all but completed. Website advertising is still under budget and adjustments to the FY06 budget have been made. An S&YP page has been added as well as limited-access pages for use by the Executive Committee. We will convert to Pay Pal Pro, an upgrade that will provide much greater detail in the data that it collects from on-line registrations.
- d. WISILLMINN: The advertising rate increase that took effect last year will begin showing up now as annual contracts are being renewed. State Sections should be aware of the tendency to be redundant in the various reports coming from their sections. February 1 is the deadline for the March issue which will be 40 pages and will include WEF TEC 05 news, preview the Education Seminar, Annual Meeting and officer nominations.
- e. Nominations: Tim Tack is nominated for 2nd Vice President and Dan Lynch is nominated for re-appointment as Treasurer.
- f. Public Education: Scott has signed the agreement and returned it to WEF regarding understanding of financial responsibilities for the Stockholm Junior Water Prize (SJWP). The SOP's will be updated to reflect the SJWP activities and responsibilities.
- g. Students and Young Professionals
- h. Paul Davidson won the WEF Student Paper Competition. This marked the second year in a row that a CSWEA contestant has won the WEF Award at WEFTEC.
 - i) The CSWEA Design Team took 3rd Place. It was the first time that undergraduate and graduate students were included in the competition. Announcements must be sent out ASAP for the next competition and sponsorships may need to be obtained. As part of the Design Team's 3rd place finish was a WEF award of \$600.00, which has been passed along to the U of W Platteville Student Chapter sponsor for presentation to the team members at a Student Chapter event. We are trying to arrange photo opportunities and hopefully get past winners to speak to S&YP in order to generate interest and participation.
 - ii) Funding for the S&YP and Student Chapter activities was clarified. There is nothing in the SOPs regarding these expenses, however State Sections fund participants in the Association's competitions and CSWEA funds travel and scholarship cash awards to the WEF competitions. Language will be drafted for the Executive Committee's review at the May meeting.
- i. General Membership: Letters to delinquent members, along with phone calls continues. The committee is looking for better ways to track and cross reference membership lists. The committee is planning a conference call with Judy Jones, WEF Membership Committee Chair to develop initiatives in order to recruit new members and retain existing members by getting them involved in activities. Eric Lecuyer said he continues to work on the membership package that includes the CD.
- j. Ad Hoc Committees - Regional Trade Show: At this time, 300 rooms had been blocked at \$99 each. Approximately 77 Exhibitor Booths and 136 people had registered. Water quality professionals in Iowa were included in the intended audience. Part of the proceeds were to be earmarked for Water for People.

9. Annual Meetings

- a. 2006 IL: Expo Center Sky Boxes will be available for committee meetings Tuesday which will help keep people in the Exhibit Hall. Wednesday's schedule may change due to the

Student Paper/Design Competition being held in conjunction with the Education Seminar. Golf is scheduled for Monday after the Executive Committee Meeting and there will be a pro on the course as well as on the patio for the Meet & Greet. They are still looking for entertainment options for Tuesday that won't split up the group and Wednesday's entertainment is confirmed for an interactive dinner theater on site. After the tour of the facility, minor details needing attention will be worked out between Pheasant Run and the LAC.

10. Technical Program Committee: 37 papers were selected from 54 abstracts received. There will be 2 sessions on Wednesday consisting of high quality, diverse topics along with an increase in sessions on collection systems.
 - i) A separate report was provided summarizing the technical program.
 - b. 2007 WI: Carol Strackbein reported that the second payment for deposit to Monona Terrace has been done and a pre-conference technical session is being negotiated with the facility. Hotel rooms have been blocked at the Hilton and Best Western. The LAC Chair is Paul Nehm and the Technical Committee Chair is Bill Marten.
 - c. 2008 MN: Dennis Lindeke and LAC Chair Doug Hendrickson recommended the Sheraton South in Bloomington as the venue for the 2008 Annual Meeting to be held May 20 through May 23, 2008. Conveniently located, it is being remodeled now and there is lots of parking available. No deposit is required but they would like references. They require a minimum of 150 rooms booked for 3 nights at \$125 per room-night.
11. Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs). Each State Section did a good job in preparing their SOPs and there were just a few items to finalize. Language for new procedures on Internal Controls, Separation of Duties and Operations Challenge reimbursement procedures will be clarified and standardized.
12. Scott Trotter reported that the 2005 CSWEA/IWEA WEF Reception was successful. Attended by over 200, there was a great turnout. There was increase in sponsorship, however, more food had to be purchased on site at a very expensive venue.
13. The new recruitment tool CD is still planned for full distribution by May, however music licensing issues are holding up production.
14. The committee realignment was discussed and the restructuring of committees is found to be less confusing and more activities are being pursued. Central States may benefit from a more aligned relationship between WEF, CS and State Sections even if some committees don't exist at all levels. For example, the Association may want to consider a MARC Committee in order to address Manufactures and Representatives issues that are not being addressed in other committees.
15. Eric reported that planning for CSWEA-CSX is underway, with the contract and deposit paid to the Kalahari Resort for July 20&21, 2006. Committee realignment and re-definition of duties will be an important topic of this meeting. All CSWEA & Section officers, committee chairs and members are encouraged to attend.
16. Jim Roth presented his report on the Strategic Plan. Technical Programs and Leadership Training are moving forward and objectives are being met for realignment issues, recruitment tools and Section budgets. Several other issues on the Strategic Plan were discussed including:
 - a. Promote Operators Challenge by financially assisting CSWEA team members.

- b. Define and clarify the functional relationships of CSWEA and state sections.
 - c. Review awards presented and explore need for new award.
 - d. Nomination for Federation awards
 - e. Public presentation of service awards by a CSWEA officer with the recipient's consent.
 - f. As an alternative to the above-mentioned public presentation, CSWEA will send a letter of appreciation at the request of the service award recipients.
 - g. CSWEA shall maintain a current membership directory on its website
 - h. Broaden and improve areas of service to the membership.
 - i. Conduct CSWEA paper & design competition.
17. The SOP Updates include specific Webmaster duties in the Executive Directors responsibilities.
 18. Central States will continue the appointment of Eric Lecuyer as Executive Director with the discussed increase in monthly pay to \$2000 and Equipment Fee to \$225 for FY2006-2007.
 19. Fiscal Year 2006 Budget was presented and discussed. An increase in the Association dues by \$5 was approved for all categories except Student and Retiree Memberships.
 20. Academic Excellence Awards: It was decided to split this scholarship award between the Winning Students and the Student Chapter.
 21. Next meeting is scheduled for May 8, 2006, at Pheasant Run Resort in St. Charles, IL.

WWOA Liaison's Report – Randy Thater, Liaison

The WWOA board met on December 1 and 2, 2005 in Wisconsin Dells. The financial report was given by Executive Secretary Richard McKee. A full slate of committee reports was presented. Included in the reports were:

Promotional Items – Dave Carlson will be contacting vendors who can provide apparel to order without need to stock inventory.

Operator development – Kay Marshall reports she and President Kruzick will attend the Career Conference in Stevens Point in February, 2006. The committee has been working on updating the WWOA display board to serve career and general interest functions as well as the current regional meeting display.

Operator Training – Tom Kruzick reports that Dave Carlson is working with Jack Saltes of WiDNR to coordinate eCMAR training for collection system districts that haven't been exposed to the CMAR process. Details on dates and locations is still pending. A Sampling and Flow Monitoring for Wastewater Treatment Operators seminar is also planned. (Follow up: we have also been asked to help arrange locations for an Advanced BOD one-day class to be taught this spring by George Bowman and Rick Mealy. They are looking for a session in each WWOA region. Details are pending)

Government Affairs – Randy Thater reported on planning for 2006 GA seminar, and on the financial report from Bill Marten, CS-WI treasurer on the 2005 seminar. Thater also gave an update on the status of the NR149 update.

Biosolids – John Bond reported on plans for the 2006 SBS in Stevens Point. Greg Kester of WDNR is chair.

Central States Liaison – Randy Thater reported on the CS-Wisconsin Section November business meeting. While discussing the Collection Systems report, it came to the WWOA board’s attention that – although CS-WI and WWOA have a memorandum of responsibilities – unlike GAS and SBS, WWOA has no formal Collection Systems committee assignment. President Kruzick will take this under consideration and report back to the board. (Follow up; in January, Jim Beier nominated Carl Scharfe of MSA – a WWOA member active on the Collection Systems committee – as liaison. Tom Kruzick accepted the recommendation. Thater will be the WWOA board contact for Scharfe.)

Web Site – Bruce Bartel reported on the web site status, including some proposals from the web master for updating the site. Included was the idea to post a membership directory. Discussion ensued expressing concern about possible misuse of the directory by outsiders. Bartel was instructed to look into ways of minimizing this problem and report back.

Technical Committee – Jim Thalke reports the call for papers for the 2006 conference is on the website and in the December issue of the clarifier. The member mailing is to follow shortly. The committee will meet February 9, 2006 at Wisconsin Dells to select the program.

Permanent Arraignments – 2006 Conference is set at the Kalahari, and the 2007 conference for La Crosse. Current schedule calls for 2008 at Kalahari and 2009 in Green Bay. John Leonard and Rich McKee toured the new Holiday Inn facility in Stevens Point They have determined it is a viable option for the conference. The board discussed and authorized the committee to pursue this site for 2009. (Follow up; Stevens Point and Green Bay will have proposals for 2008 and 2009, with dates TBA.)

Under old business, President Kruzick presented a final draft of the WWOA Mail List Policy. This was discussed and some changes were made. A final draft will be brought back to the board for approval. Also discussed was a draft proposal to change the scholarship criteria. The original purpose of the draft was to open up eligibility to include those that were not members or family of members but were in qualifying fields of study, and to members or family of members in a broader field of study. This was considered because under the current policy there is often a dearth of qualified candidates. The expanded eligibility was to be considered by a priority process in which those traditionally eligible would receive first consideration. After discussion, the board decided not to adopt the expanded eligibility. Instead, a change in the scholarships to be awarded was approved. Currently, one \$1,000 scholarship for a 4-year student and one of \$500 for a 2-year student are available. Instead, there will be two \$1,000 scholarships available for either 2 or 4 year students. A revised policy draft will be submitted to the board at a future meeting.

Collection System – Jim Beier, Chair

Collections System Committee Meeting

January 10, 2006 at 9:00am

Applied Technologies Brookfield, WI office:

Members Present: Tom Krueger (Village of Grafton), Jim Beier CHAIR (Crispell-Snyder), Todd Stelmacher (Triad Eng.), Frank Tiefert- (Applied Technologies), Jim Fratrack (WDNR), Keith Alexander, (Visu-Sewer), Andrew Craven (Strand Assoc.), Mike Spence (Earth Tech), Carl Scharfe (MSA Prof. Svcs.) and Paul Lange (City of Watertown).

Meeting called to order at 9:05am by Chairman Beier.

1. Chairman Beier advised that the minutes from the October 5 meeting held at the WWOA convention in Green Bay are attached to the agenda. The results of the voting for collection system award were very tight, with Bob Bradley receiving the nomination for award. Mr. Bradley's name will be forwarded to Central States for consideration. The awards committee meets in January. There was discussion that the Committee's other two nominees (Pachke and Woodman) would be eligible for awards nomination next year.
2. Chairman Beier advised that Todd Stelmacher has volunteered to serve the committee as Vice Chair and Secretary.
3. Chairman Beier advised that the minutes from the November 8, 2005 meeting held at the CSWEA WI Section Annual Business Meeting in Fond du Lac are attached to the agenda. A Collection System Committee meeting was held during a break-out session. The only members present were Stelmacher and Beier.
 - a. During the meeting there was discussion of expanding the collection system seminar to better serve the northern and western portions of the state. There was discussion to add a location or rotate the seminar from Watertown to another location (say Stevens Point or Wausau).
 - b. The WI Section has shown a significant profit over the years and there is concern about how this may affect the non-profit status. Chairman Beier advised that although there is an allocation of budget for the committees, few if any submit any expenses for reimbursement. Chairman Beier was aware of printing expenses related to the collection system seminar that were absorbed by committee members (Alexander) in the past. These costs should be submitted for reimbursement in the future. Keith Alexander thought the printing costs for the 2006 seminar would be around \$300.00. Also, with next year's seminar being the 20th annual, there was discussion of purchasing hats or coffee mugs to commemorate the milestone.
4. Committee Membership Roster: Chairman Beier advised that Jim Thalke and Joan Hawley have left the committee - perhaps temporarily - for other duties. There was discussion that we need more involvement from operators, actual "boots on the ground" people. All committee members were asked to think about operators who might be interested in joining the committee.
5. General Discussion:
 - a. Tom Krueger advised that he is serving on an Ad-Hoc committee looking at the function of all committees within CSWEA. Todd Stelmacher advised the committee that this topic was discussed during the November Annual Meeting and the various committees were asked for ideas on how to change the structure of the committees. Significant comments were given related to the structure of the Safety Committee and how the safety committee duties might be absorbed or split between collection systems and plants. Jim Fratrack advised that there are 29 systems in the Milwaukee area that operate only collection systems. There are similar communities in the Madison area.
6. Seminar Information -June 8, 2006

- a. Keep format of the seminar the same as last year and years past was the consensus of the committee. Looking for 4 to 6 topics for presentation in the morning. Vendor area open until 3:30. Ideas for topics will be taken from the feedback given at the 2005 seminar. After reviewing the feedback forms it was determined that the main topic of this year's seminar will focus on televising sewers.
- b. Possible Subjects/Topics and Speakers:
 - i. Benefits and Drawbacks of Self-Performing Sewer Televising.
 1. Documentation is prepared as time permits rather than as a primary function.
 2. Some communities perform the field work but contract the reporting work. This has problems with communication.
 3. Some communities document as the inspection is performed. This takes longer, but can be better.
 4. There are concerns related to training (and re-training) of televising crew members.
 5. Decision to survey the operators as to what services are performed in-house and what services are contracted, type of equipment, etc.
 6. Keith Alexander mentioned that there is a certification program for televising crew members.
 7. Maintenance and upgrades for equipment are a concern.
 8. The form of the documentation, video tape or digital can be discussed as well as transferring tape to digital.
 9. What is being done with the information after it is gathered and documented?
 10. Andrew Craven offered to talk with Fond du Lac to determine who might be available to speak on this topic.
 - ii. Collection Systems Survey. Tom Krueger/Carl Scharfe will assemble and distribute a survey of collection systems for televising work. Tom will present the results of the survey at the seminar.
 - iii. DNR Regulations. SSO/CMOM program examples. There was a survey in 2001. Examples should include minimum program, mid-level program, and maximum level programs. Ted Bush is a potential speaker. Jim Fratrick will check.
 - iv. Industrial Pretreatment and Sampling. Discussion of the Who, What, and When of industrial pretreatment regulations and sampling. Jim Fratrick advised there are 24 "control authority" communities (>5MGD) that must have a pretreatment program. Benjamin Benninghoff is a good resource for information. Sewer use ordinances and update of ordinances should be discussed. Todd Stelmacher will take responsibility for this topic.
 - v. Safety. All present agreed that the seminar should include a safety topic. Ideas included arc flash, confined space (last discussed in 2002), emergency situations, manhole steps, equipment maintenance and calibration, cost. The decision was to have a general discussion related to safety covering a number of pertinent topics. Keith Alexander will call Happ to set a program.
- c. No change to vendor program or costs were recommended (\$60/\$30).
- d. Keep seminar attendance fees the same as 2005: \$30 and \$35.

- e. Digital presentations should be submitted on disk before the seminar to be loaded onto a single computer. This will save time and problems.
- f. Seminar attendees will be recognized. Chairman Beier will recognize select people during the introduction for things such as the people who came from the furthest distance or that community that has the most attendees. Token gifts will be given.
- g. Preliminary Agenda:
 - i. Registration 7:45
 - ii. Welcome 8:10
 - iii. TV Survey 8:15 (15 mins)
 - iv. Fond du Lac 8:30 (45 mins)
 - v. Documentation/Use 9:15 (45 mins)
 - vi. Break 10:00 (15 mins)
 - vii. SSO/CMOM 10:15 (30 mins)
 - viii. Industrial Pretreat 10:45 (30 mins)
 - ix. Safety 11:15 (45 mins)
 - x. Lunch Noon
 - xi. Vendor Area 3:30 end

7. Committee Assignments

- a. Vendors/Exhibit Letter - Bob Lecey
- b. Brochure Production - Mike Spence
- c. Brochure Printing - Keith Alexander
- d. Brochure Mailing - Tom K.
- e. Publicity (websites) - Frank Tiefert
- f. Door Prizes - Jim Beier
- g. Speaker Gifts - Jim Fratrack (via Mary Wagner)
- h. Facilities - Paul Lange
- i. Vendor Board - Tim Bronn
- j. Update Awards Poster - Ruth D. and Tom K.
- k. DNR Credits - Jim F.
- l. Evaluation Forms - Andy Craven
- m. Audio/Visual Equipment - Paul L. and Jim B. (back-up)
- n. Soda Sponsor - Frank T
- o. WWOA - Randy Thater
- p. CSWEA Coordinator - Jim Beier
- q. Collection System Award
 - i. Bob Bradley was nominated this year. The voting and nomination seemed to run smoother this year. We will adopt a similar procedure for 2006.

8. Schedule

- a. Due by February 23, 2006 (our next meeting at Gov't Affairs Seminar): confirm all speakers and subjects. Persons responsible for topics should plan to attend the Gov't Affairs Seminar or send their information to Jim Beier.
- b. Publicity letters or advertisements (Frank T.) are out by mid February. Gov't Affairs is Feb 23 and Spring Biosolids is March 21. Looking for ads/notes in the Clarifier, WISILLMINN, and all websites that are applicable.
- c. Exhibit registration letters (Bob L.) due Feb 6th with response date of March 6th.

- d. Brochure – Mike S. to update; to Keith A. and printer by end of March, then to Tom K. by first week of April.
- e. Mail date: April 13th.
- f. Advance Registration deadline: May 24th.

9. Other Business

- a. Collection Systems Award. Feedback from 2005 process was positive, but need to have full application with letters of recommendation for fair review. Need to ask for CSWEA membership. Need to consider keeping nominees “in the hopper” since qualified applicants can carry over from year to year.
- b. Members are asked to solicit papers for the annual CSWEA Conference.
- c. Members are asked to review legislation and regulations.
- d. Consideration will be given to adding a second seminar for next year. Members are asked to discuss this with potential communities to sponsor the second seminar.

12. Meeting adjourned at 11:52am.

Government Affairs Committee – Bill Desing, Chair

The primary focus of the Government Affairs Committee is to identify and track various regulatory/legislative initiatives that may have a significant focus on Wisconsin Section members. Attached please find reports prepared by individual committee members summarizing activities in the areas that they are responsible for tracking.

Government Affairs Seminar Report

Tom Foltz/Strand

The Government Affairs Seminar will be held on Thursday, February 23, 2006, at the Marriott Madison West on John Q. Hammons Drive. Sponsors remain Wisconsin DNR, Wisconsin Section of the Central States WEA, Wisconsin Wastewater Operators Association, Municipal Environmental Group and Wisconsin League of Municipalities. Randy Thater and the Wisconsin Wastewater Operators’ Association led program organization. As usual, registration will begin at 8:00 AM, lunch will be provided and the program will adjourn prior to 4:00 PM.

The program committee is comprised of Randy Herwig, Bill Desing, Bill Marten, Paul Kent, Jane Carlson, Dave Taylor, Bernie Robertson, Mark Corbett, Pete Conine, Randy Thater, Dan Thompson and Tom Foltz. Comments, questions, constructive criticism and good ideas can be channeled to the committee by direct contact with any of the program committee members.

The Keynote address regarding Water Balance issues will be given by Professor Douglas Cherkauer. Other program topics and speakers are: Septage Legislation and Related Issues – Mark Patronsky; Stream Reclassification – Paul Kent; Emergency Response Planning – Linda Warren; Biosolids Update, Radar Screen Issues – Dave Taylor and Greg Kester; Freezing Taxes without Freezing Services – Dan Thompson; Nutrients and TMDLs – Jim Baumann; SSOs and CMOM – Russ Rasmussen; Pollution Management Planning, Mercury and Chloride – Tom Muga; and the catch-all DNR Update – Roger Larson. Publicity was handled through CALS Outreach Services, and through posting on the WWOA, DNR, and Central States web sites.

As of Tuesday, January 31, 2006, we had 141 pre-registrants. At this point we are getting approximately 40 registrations per week. The final day for preregistration is February 9. Generally, we need on the order of 220 registrants to have a financially successful program.

I made preliminary arrangements for the 2007 Government Affairs Seminar with the Marriott Madison West. The Thursday date closest to the last Thursday in February that they had available for us was Thursday, March 1, 2007. They had two larger conferences reserve most of their available space for much of two week period at the end of February 2007. If this is acceptable to those on the committee and on the board, I will complete the paperwork at the time of our 2006 conference.

Leadership for the 2007 Conference will be the responsibility of the Wisconsin Section. I am more than willing to handle local arrangements and schedule the conference planning meeting as I have in the past. If the Wisconsin Section leadership has suggestions for the conference Chairperson, please communicate that to Bill Desing or me.

ATCP 50 and NRCS 590

David Taylor, Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District

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The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection is in the process of revising ATCP 50, which implements Wisconsin's soil and water resource management program. ATCP 50 includes nutrient management requirements and is closely linked to the Natural Resources Conservation Service conservation standard for nutrient management (NRCS 590). Revisions to ATCP 50 are tentatively scheduled to go to the DATCP Board for approval at their January, 2006 meeting. Revisions to NRCS 590 were finalized in September, 2005.

Proposed revisions to ATCP 50 and actual revisions to NRCS 590 place an increased emphasis on phosphorus management. While there is exemption language for material regulated under NR 113, 204 and 214, those responsible for land applying material under these regulations need to recognize that farm customers will be under increased pressure to manage phosphorus loadings. It is recommended that those responsible for managing biosolids, septage, etc. become familiar with the ATCP 50 and NRCS 590 requirements and follow practices, where reasonable and appropriate, to effectively manage phosphorus. These practices may include selecting fields with low soil test P levels, growing high P consuming crops, rotating use of fields on a 3-4 year cycle, etc. NRCS 590 uses a phosphorus index (PI) to evaluate the potential of individual fields to deliver P to receiving streams. The PI is incorporated in SNAP-Plus, which is Wisconsin's nutrient management software (<http://www.snappplus.net/>).

Additional information on ATCP 50 and NRCS 590 can be found at http://www.datcp.state.wi.us/arm/regulation/soil_water.jsp.

Potential EPA Part 503 Round 3 Parameters

David Taylor; Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District

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EPA was scheduled to begin conducting a limited survey of biosolids quality this past summer to support potential rulemaking efforts. Delays have been encountered, but work on the survey is expected to begin in February/March of 2006. EPA anticipates that biosolids from about 100 POTWs will be sampled as part of this effort. The current list of target analytes is provided

below. EPA is considering adding one or more pharmaceuticals or personal care products (PCCPs) to the target analyte list. Biosolids quality data will be subject to a preliminary risk based screening process to determine whether there is a need to proceed with future rulemaking.

**Target Pollutants for the 2005 National Sewage Sludge
Survey
Organized by Analyte Class**

Analyte Class	Analyte
Metals	Antimony
	Arsenic
	Barium
	Beryllium
	Cadmium
	Chromium
	Cobalt
	Copper
	Iron (total)
	Lead
	Manganese
	Mercury
	Molybdenum
	Nickel
	Selenium
	Silver
	Thallium
Zinc	
Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs)	Benzo(a)pyrene
	Fluoranthene
	2-Methylnaphthalene
	Pyrene
Semivolatiles	bis (2-Ethylhexyl) phthalate
	4-Chloroaniline
Microbiologicals	Fecal Coliform
	Salmonella

**Target Pollutants for the 2005 National Sewage Sludge
Survey
Organized by Analyte Class**

Analyte Class	Analyte
Inorganic Anions	Fluoride
	Nitrate/Nitrite
	Total Phosphorus

National Biosolids Partnership EMS Demonstration Program

David Taylor; Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District

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Approximately eighty wastewater agencies are now participating National Biosolids Partnership (NBP) Environmental Management System (EMS) demonstration program, including Appleton, Green Bay MSD, Madison MSD, and Milwaukee MSD. Nine (9) agencies have successfully gone through the third party audit process and have been certified. The NBP is looking at ways to encourage greater participation in the EMS process. They have developed a tiered recognition approach and are evaluating the frequency at which independent 3rd party auditors need to be involved in interim audits. In addition, the NBP is looking at ways to streamline the EMS program and will be providing examples showing multiple ways that demonstration agencies have satisfied the EMS requirements. All agencies are encouraged to visit the NBP website <http://www.biosolids.org/> to learn more about the EMS program. In addition, even those agencies that are not currently participating in the formal EMS demonstration program are encouraged to consider using the EMS principles and elements as a tool for improving overall biosolids management performance.

Biosolids End Use Survey

David Taylor; Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District

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A new national survey of treatment practices, biosolids quality and the use/disposal of biosolids will be conducted, with funding being provided by the USEPA. The survey will have multiple cooperators, including the New England Biosolids and Residuals Association, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR), the Northwest Biosolids Management Association (NBMA), BioCycle, the National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA) and others. This will be the most comprehensive survey ever conducted. This project will provide up-to-date key, basic information on what is happening with biosolids around the country, will identify trends in biosolids management and will help identify future needs as they relate to biosolids management. Work on the survey design is now in progress, and data collection efforts are expected to begin in 2006.

Wastewater Security
Rusty Schroedel/Earth Tech
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Legislation

There is currently no activity in the legislative or regulatory areas on security issues. A related activity is discussed below.

Anthrax Protocol Poised for Publication in National Response Team Guidance

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the National Response Team, comprised of 16 federal agencies with emergency management responsibilities, is poised to include the *Anthrax Protocol* in its *Technical Assistance for Anthrax Response* guidance. Following the anthrax attacks in the fall of 2001, wastewater utilities in Florida, Washington D.C., and New York were faced with managing decontamination wastewater generated during the cleanups of several anthrax contaminated buildings. These communities were looking for guidance from EPA on whether they should allow the discharge of the decontamination wastewater to their collection systems and if so, under what conditions should they accept the wastewater. Based on the response taken by the City of Boca Raton, the protocol serves as a guide for wastewater utilities and first responders on establishing communication, proper handling of containerized decontamination wastewater, and pretreatment of the wastewater prior to discharge, and the conditions under which discharge to the sewer system can take place. The sensitive subject matter and the groundbreaking nature of the effort resulted in multiple levels of review by several federal agencies and ultimately delayed the release of the protocol. The protocol served as the foundation for the National Association of Clean Water Agencies' (NACWA, formerly Association of Metropolitan Sewerage Agencies - AMSA) broader guidance, *Planning for Decontamination Wastewater: A Guide for Utilities*, which should be available to NACWA members in August.

Stream Re-classification/Proposed Revisions to Chapters NR 102, 104, and 106 as Related to Stream Classification & Outstanding and Exceptional Resource Waters
Chad T. Olsen/McMahon Associates, Inc.

As mentioned in previous updates, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is in the process of revising Wisconsin Administrative Codes NR 102, 104 and 106 as they pertain to stream classifications. NR104 was originally promulgated in 1976 and has been modified slightly several times since. However, there has not been a comprehensive updated of the classifications of many Wisconsin surface waters since the early 1980's.

In 2004, the DNR received a petition from the River Alliance and the Midwest Environmental Advocates requesting that approximately 100 additional stream segments in northern Wisconsin be included in the Outstanding and Exceptional Resource Water list of NR 102. An Outstanding resource water is defined as a lake or stream which has excellent water quality, high recreational and aesthetic value, and high quality fishing and is free from point source and nonpoint source pollution. An Exceptional resource water is defined as a stream with exhibits the same high quality resource values as outstanding waters, but which may be impacted by point source pollution or have the potential for future discharge from a small sewer community.

Outstanding and Exceptional Resource Waters are afforded additional protections above and beyond that of NR104. A list of the current Outstanding and Exceptional Resource Waters in NR102 can be obtained from the DNR website:

<http://dnr.wi.gov/org/water/wm/wqs/index.htm>.

The DNR provided recommendations to the Natural Resources Board on the segments they recommend adding to the Outstanding and Exceptional Resources List in October 2005. The recommendations went out for Public Comment starting in January 2006. The Public Comment period ends on February 28, 2006.

The Information related to the Outstanding and Exceptional Resource Water petition is posted on the following web site:

<http://dnr.wi.gov/org/water/wm/wqs/orwerw/>

For a list of waters that are being proposed as ORW or ERW, click on the "green sheet package" link about halfway down, and take a look at the fourth page (Appendix 1).

Impacts of the proposed rules can be viewed third page of the "green sheet package." The page discusses how the rules impacts existing point source dischargers and future point source dischargers.

Nutrient Criteria

Jane Carlson/Strand

Refer to the August 2004 report on this topic for a detailed discussion of Wisconsin nutrient criteria development efforts. Jim Baumann of the DNR provided the following update on February 3, 2006: "The USGS/WDNR report on the biotic effects of nutrients on wadeable streams in Wisconsin is due to be published by USGS in April. A companion publication on non-wadeable streams is due later in 2006 or early 2007. We intend to start an internal technical review of this and other research and may have an initial proposal for criteria promulgation later in 2006. A specific schedule has not been completed. I will present some of the results at the Government Affairs Seminar." The Government Affairs Seminar is February 23, 2006, and Jim is scheduled to speak at 1:20 pm.

In the past, the Wisconsin DNR has advised us that they may not develop numeric criteria for nitrogen. This is because phosphorus is considered the limiting nutrient for algal growth in Wisconsin lakes and streams. The DNR discussed possibly setting nitrogen reduction goals for Mississippi River basin dischargers to meet the USEPA Gulf of Mexico hypoxia initiative goals. It has been the general understanding for years that nitrogen is the limiting nutrient in the Gulf of Mexico. However, recent research presented at WEFTEC and elsewhere indicates phosphorus may be as important as nitrogen in the Gulf. It's unclear whether this finding will have any bearing on Wisconsin nutrient criteria development.

NR 214 - LAND TREATMENT OF INDUSTRIAL LIQUID WASTES, BY-PRODUCT SOLIDS AND SLUDGES

Jane Carlson/Strand

Duane Schuettpelz of DNR was contacted in August 2004 and indicated there hasn't been any recent action to initiate a rule-making effort. There are, however, continuing discussions with interested parties on the current implementation of the rule in specific permitting situations. In 2004 and 2005, DNR staff met with the Wisconsin Cheese Makers Association's Food and Dairy Industry Advisory Committee and the Wisconsin Industrial Land Application Contractors and Transporters (WILACT) association on several occasions to discuss land spreading issues and to view demonstrations of odor control and land spreading equipment.

In 2005 the DNR's Greg Kester began working with Dr. Dick Wolkowski (senior scientist, Outreach Program Manager, University of Wisconsin Soil Science Dept.) about preparing an outline for a study on dairy waste stream run-off potential and impacts. No further updates at this time.

Bacteria TAC Committee

Michael Doran/Techknowledge

<No updates>

Mike Doran and a few other Wisconsin Section members are on the DNR's bacteria TAC committee. Mike solicited input from CSWEA members regarding e-coli vs. f-coli monitoring and their type of disinfection system and prepared a "white paper" summarizing this information for submittal to the DNR's bacteria TAC committee leader, Toni Glymph. A copy has been posted on the Wisconsin Section web site. Mike and other members are also following USEPA's rules establishing bacteria criteria for coastal recreation waters in 21 states/territories including Wisconsin. The final rule was signed by EPA Administrator Leavitt on November 8, 2004. Details on EPA's final rule and a pre-publication version of the rule can be obtained at: <http://www.epa.gov/waterscience/beaches/bacteria-rule.htm#final>. Communities located on the Great Lakes may be given effluent e-coli limitations in their WPDES permits as these rules are implemented.

TMDLs

Bill Desing/CH2M HILL & Mike Mischuk/CH2M HILL

The following update provided by Jane Carlson/Strand:

Jim Bauman/WDNR will be giving an update on TMDLs at CSWEA Government Affairs seminar on February 23. WDNR has been proceeding with non-point source TMDLs.

TMDLs that have been approved by USEPA are listed at:

http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/water/wm/wqs/303d/Approved_TMDLs.html

Draft TMDLs are at:

http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/water/wm/wqs/303d/Draft_TMDLs.html

Appear that there are no TMDLs out for public comment at this point.

Brief watershed management committee review of Sugar-Pecatonica draft sediment TMDL showed the following: The Dodgeville and Hollandale WWTPs were mentioned but there were no wasteload allocations or effluent limits assigned to them as a result of the TMDL because the report states that they do not discharge "sediment." All of the load allocations were related to nonpoint sources and were mostly agricultural. Recommendations for reducing sediment loadings were also all agricultural or stream bank-related.

The following is background information from previous reports:

On May 3, 2005 the DNR gave Public Notice for two sediment TMDLs, one for Becky Creek and one for the Sugar-Pecatonica basin. It appears the TMDLs are intended to address non-point sources only, which is consistent with what Jim Baumann of DNR has stated in the past (DNR wants to wait for things like numeric nutrient criteria before addressing point source-related impairments). However, point sources are mentioned in a few places. In the Sugar-Pecatonica TMDL there is a point source waste load allocation of zero for sediment. The TMDL mentions a

few POTWs like Dodgeville but states they do not discharge "sediment." For more information see:

http://dnr.wi.gov/org/water/wm/wqs/303d/Draft_TMDLs.html

The Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) is a calculation of the maximum amount of a pollutant that a water body can receive and still meet water quality standards, and an allocation of that amount to the pollutant's sources. Section 303 of the Clean Water Act requires States to identify waters not meeting State water quality standards (303(d) list), sets priorities for development of a TMDL for each pollutant for each water body listed as being impaired. The USEPA is responsible for the management of the program and issues guidance to the States for development and implementation of TMDLs.

The following is a brief overview of the regulatory history of TMDLs:

- 1985 - TMDL regulations first issued. Provisions included nonpoint source and load allocations
- 1992 - TMDL regulations revised. Provisions called for State lists every two years
- 1999 - Revisions to TMDL and NPDES regulations proposed
- 2000 - Final Rule issued on July 13, 2000
- Congressional rider on military construction/supplemental appropriations prohibits EPA from implementing this rule
- TMDL program continues under 1992 regulations and agreements reached through litigation

The objective of the 2000 Rule was to establish an effective and flexible framework to move the country toward the goal of clean water and to establish a process for making decisions in cost-effective methods to restore polluted waterways. The following is an overview of the goals of the 2000 rule:

- Provide for a more comprehensive list of impaired waters
- Lists of impaired waters would be submitted every four years
- Impaired waters would remain on list until water quality standards are attained
- Public would be notified and have opportunity to comment on methodology, lists, and TMDLs
- Strengthen efforts to put in place cleanup actions that result in attaining water quality standards, and
- Sets goal of attaining water quality standards within 10 years, if possible

In Wisconsin, currently the 2000 final rule cannot be implemented due to funding constraints which means that the 1992 TMDL regulations and interpretive guidance will govern the State's program.

Wisconsin has been tasked with developing action plans (TMDLs) to remove impaired waters from their Section 303 (d) list which is required under the Clean Water Act. There are currently 264 impaired water bodies on Wisconsin's Section 303 (d) list. This list was published in 1998 and has yet to be revised. The following is a synopsis of impairments:

- Sedimentation - 787 miles
- Nutrients - 231 miles
- Pathogens - 49 miles
- Toxics/Metals/Inorganics - 35 miles

- Toxics Organics – 585 miles
- Mercury – 661 miles

To date, progress in Wisconsin has been slow because the WDNR is currently facing significant budget reductions due to the State's budget deficit. However, the WDNR is attempting to use existing data that was obtained in the past for purposes other than TMDL development to develop TMDLs. In addition, WDNR has submitted a proposal to EPA for funding to begin the development of about 6 TMDLs per year. This proposal would only provide money to begin the development and any funding obtained could only be used for non-point watersheds. Given the limits and restrictions on funding it is not expected for TMDLs to be developed for two to three years. There will likely be available state and federal cost share funds for installing best management practices related to TMDLs.

Local Ordinances/State Budget
Paul Kent/Anderson & Kent, S.C.
 <No update>

CMOM & Wet Weather Collection System Issues Update
Andrew Craven/Strand Associates, Inc.

In November of 2005, the Wisconsin DNR re-visited the April 2003 SSO rule draft and began to make modifications based on comments the SSO group had provided earlier. DNR staff plan on presenting an update on this topic at the MMSD watershed planning conference on March 2. See previous committee reports for additional background information. No report was received. Committee representatives will be asked to report on significant issues at the Annual Business Meeting on November 8.

Industrial Waste – Brian Molenaar, Chair

The Industrial Waste Committee was successful this year in getting Patrick Cudahy selected for the Industrial Achievement Award. This was due in a large part to Lisa William's efforts * THANK YOU! This was both our first candidate and winner in quite sometime. The committee is currently working on a brochure for future applications to streamline the application process.

Membership – Rob Szekeress, Chair

Volunteers continue to be solicited for the membership committee, to assist in addressing key areas of the Membership Strategic Plan that require additional manpower. The committee roster remains at one.

Welcome letters continue to be sent to new members and I am trying to diligently follow up with either a phone call or personal visit to discuss the organization and its committee's. Similarly, delinquent members have also received a reminder letter and/or follow phone call or personal visit in an attempt to regain them as active members.

Outside of the welcome letters and delinquent member follow up. Little has been done in the past few months on the mentor program or other areas of the strategic plan due to limited

resources. A concerted effort will be made to get the ball rolling again before the annual conference this spring .

Operations Committee - Dave Arnott, Chair

The 2005 WEFTEC Operations Challenge participants have been reimbursed. During the reimbursement, the WI Section PWO representative applied for reimbursement from WI Section. Our section is only responsible for reimbursement of actual participants. The PWO, as part of Central States, should seek reimbursement from the CSWEA. This is the way it has always been done in the past.

The WEFTEC Operations Challenge travel reimbursement policy will be included in the new Section Policy and Procedures Manual.

Management Seminar - Pete Conine, Chair

The Management Seminar planning committee met at the Waukesha Wastewater Utility on January 25. The committee agreed upon the date (August 10, 2006) and location (Comfort Inn, Madison) of the 2006 Seminar. A tentative seminar program was developed, including the following presentation topics:

- Information Management/Electronic Data Storage
- Implementing Security Improvements
- Contractor Bankruptcy During Construction
- Wisconsin's Changing Workforce
- Ethics in Public Agencies
- Taxpayer Rights (TABOR)/Revenue Limits
- Stump the Lawyer with James Korum

Public Education - Max Anderson, Chair

No activity to report since the last meeting.

Safety - Chair Vacant

The Safety Committee is not active at this time.

Watershed Management - Hans Holmberg, Chair

A conference call of the Wisconsin Section Watershed Management Committee was held at 10:00 AM on November 28, 2005. Participating in the call were Hans Holmberg (Chair), Jane Carlson, Troy Deibert, Ron Dickrell, Brandon Koltz, and Rick Reichardt. Committee members Max Anderson, Michael Doran, John Kennedy, Ann-Marie Kirsch, Bill Krill, Jeff Mazanec, and Rusty Schroedel were not able to participate. The following items were discussed:

Troy Deibert joined as a new committee member. Troy is with HNTB in Milwaukee.

Reports from Committee Members Appointed to Watershed Groups

Hans reported no new activities with the St. Croix Basin Water Resources Planning Team.

Ron reported that the Central Wisconsin Watershed group has been dormant.

Rusty reported via email that a workshop was held in Sheboygan on November 16th regarding wastewater and stormwater pollution. It was co-sponsored by the Sheboygan River Basin Partnership. Kevin Shafer of the Milwaukee MSD was a speaker. Most activity of the Partnership has been handled lately on the Executive Committee level. No general meetings have been held for some time. A meeting is scheduled for December 6 to report on the most recent year, the state of basin projects, and plans for the future.

Reports on other Watershed Activities

Brandon reported that the MMSD's 2020 Facilities Plan and the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission's (SEWRPC) Regional Water Quality Management Plan Update (RWQMPU) were moving ahead with the alternatives analysis. It will take a couple months to get all the watershed models up to speed and public involvement is expected to increase.

Jane reported that the Rock River Basin and Rock River Coalition held a conference in August and has an updated website: <http://basineducation.uwex.edu/rockriver>. They are conducting a number of small projects. They are also looking for speakers on watershed projects. If you have ideas for speakers, please contact Jane.

Jane also noted DNR's Surface Water Data interactive map. Rick confirmed DNR plans to add some enhancements. <http://maps.dnr.state.wi.us/imf/dnrimf.jsp?site=SurfaceWaterViewer>.

Jeff provided an update via email on the Fox-Wolf Watershed Alliance (FWWA) and the Northeast Wisconsin Stormwater Consortium (NEWSC). FWWA completed a property owner survey for the Shawano Lake Management Association in mid-2005; results are posted on the website. NEWSC completed its first full year of existence. It has more than thirty dues paying members, mostly town/ village/ city/ county governments that are required to have Step 2 stormwater permits. The NEWSC Coordinator, Sindee Kleckner, is maintaining an excellent website at www.NEWSC.org for more information. FWWA is planning its 8th annual stormwater conference, to be held February 21-22 in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. We are heading into our annual budgeting, work planning and election of officers meeting next week. We have recently received a capacity building grant from the Fox Cities Community Foundation and are hoping to hire a part time program coordinator at least interim executive director as we go into 2006.

DNR/Regulatory Updates

Rick reported that DNR, in cooperation with USGS, completed nutrient monitoring at 60 sites, as had been committed to EPA. The data is currently undergoing peer review.

Rick indicated that Jim Baumann would be able to provide an update at our next meeting.

Finally, Rick will check on the status of stormwater training and will see if support is needed from the Committee.

Recent or Upcoming Conferences or Activities

The following upcoming conferences and activities of interest were noted:

- Call for abstracts for CSWEA annual meeting was December 9th.
- Upcoming FWWA stormwater conference, as noted above.

Articles/information for WISILLMINN or Website

No suggestions were made for articles of immediate interest.

Suggestions for other Committee Activities

Hans exchanged emails with Dan Lynch, Carol Strackbein, Bill Marten, and Paul Nehm regarding a pre-conference workshop at the CSWEA annual conference when it is held in Wisconsin (next time is 2007), potentially focusing on nutrient criteria. They noted that it is a possibility, though committees typically don't sponsor a workshop. It was also noted that the workshop shouldn't interfere with or detract from the technical program.

Nominations for Committee Vice-Chair

Vice-chair position is open. Nominations, including self-nominations, are welcome.

Schedule for Next Meeting

The next committee meeting will be scheduled for late February or early March.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:30 a.m.

Students & Young Professionals - Dan Busch, Chair

Student Chapters

Progress continues with establishing several new student chapters in Wisconsin. Tom Foltz is working with Dan Lynch to encourage interested students and professors at UW- Madison. They are exploring ways to establish a student chapter with various student associations already active in Madison.

A meeting was held on November 4 with students from a consortium of Milwaukee Universities; Marquette, UW- Milwaukee and Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE). The student chapter presentation was presented with the objective of encouraging a joint student chapter to represent WEF and AWWA. There hasn't been any follow-up since last November.

Student Paper / Student Design Competition

This year Student Paper and Student Design competitions will be held on April 3, the afternoon before the CSWEA Education Seminar. The change from the Annual Meeting is the result of discussions over the years when students and faculty expressed the opinion that the May time line was difficult for students to attend and present. The Paper and Design Competition specifications have been mailed to all the universities in Wisconsin that we have been working with or have Student Chapters. Please take time to come early and enjoy the student presentations on Monday afternoon. Details are forthcoming as to where the presentations will be held in the Monona Terrace.

Last year the UW Platteville team represented CSWEA and placed third at WEFTEC in Washington D.C. The CSWEA Student Paper representative from Illinois that represented CSWEA placed first at WEFTEC. The guidelines for both competitions are posted on the CSWEA web site.

Stockholm Junior Water Prize

I have provided our Member Association (MA) information - WI Section of CSWEA for posting on the WEF web site and the Stockholm Junior Water Prize web site. For this year I have listed myself as the Wisconsin contact because I will have more time available because of the shift in the Student Paper and Design event, I will be transitioning this with Max Anderson such that he

can assume responsibility after the 2006 Annual Meeting. The Science Fairs listed so far in Wisconsin are as follows:

Name	Type	Location		Start Date	End Date
Nicolet SEF	Local	Glendale	WI	03/04/2006	03/11/2006
Badger State SEF	State	Milwaukee	WI	03/18/2006	03/18/2006
University School of Milwaukee SF	Regional	Milwaukee	WI	03/06/2006	03/07/2006
Milwaukee Regional SEF	Regional	Milwaukee	WI	02/23/2006	02/24/2006

Public Awareness – Steve Godfrey , Chair

Brochures

Brochures are presently available by contacting Bill Marten, the Wisconsin Section Secretary-Treasurer. Our committee will set out copies of the brochures each time the booth is set up and at other meetings as appropriate. The brochures are available for other committee use. We need to discuss the best means for distribution to those who can use the brochures.

Display Booth

The booth was set up at the Wisconsin Water Association in September in La Crosse, at a cost of \$400. We will set up the display at Rural Water in 2006.

Award Recognition

Carl Michels sent out press releases for the award winners for distribution to local publications. The committee members will continue to present the awards after the Annual Meeting at the recipient’s place of employment. Steve Godfrey will check with Bill Marten and Eric Lecuyer to ensure the web site is kept up to date with the Wisconsin award recipients.

Student Participation

We plan to develop a PowerPoint presentation on WEF and CSWEA for use with student groups and others. The committee will work with the Students and Young Professionals Committee to encourage student participation at CSWEA and WEFTEC events – primarily when they are in Wisconsin and Chicago.

We will be in contact with Dan Busch to discuss how the Public Awareness Committee can assist in outreach to the student and young professional groups. Possibilities include contacting and arranging for interested members to give presentations or sponsor student chapter meetings.

Industrial Membership Outreach

Tom Mulcahy will work with the Chair of the Industrial Waste Committee to discuss use of the brochure and the FET conference as a way of recruiting new members from industry.

Spring Biosolids Symposium – Bill Marten, Representative

The 2006 Spring Biosolids Symposium will be held March 21, 2006 at the Country Springs Hotel in Stevens Point. The program for the Symposium is as follows:

- 7:15 am Registration Opens
- 8:25 am Welcome – Greg Kester
- 8:30 am EPA Update – Rick Stevens

9:15 am Wis. DNR Update - Greg Kester
9:45 am Emerging Pollutants - Joel Pedersen
10:35 am Phosphorus Management - Dick Wolkowski & Dave Taylor
11:15 am NBP/EMS Presentation - Pete Machno
12:35 pm Morning Panel Question & Answer - Art Peterson, Moderator
1:15 pm Operators Forum: Select Biosolids Issues - Tom Kruzick, Steve Brand,
Bob Caray, Greg Paul, Connie Wilson, Benjamin Benninghoff
2:15 pm Septage Management- Bart Sexton
2:45 pm Biosolids Management: Future Directions - Rufus Chaney
3:30 pm Closing Remarks - Greg Kester
3:35 pm Adjourn

Additional information and the registration form can be found at:

http://www.wwoa.org/training_calendar/2006Bio-Symp-Agenda.pdf

Water/Wastewater Education Association - Rusty Schroedel, Chair

Please check the WWEA Training Calendar, which can be accessed from the WDNR website, when planning any seminars, conferences or other training events. Contact Mary Wagner at WDNR to get events placed on the calendar.