



CENTRAL STATES WEA
Illinois State Section Meeting
Summer | August 10, 2021 | 12:00 PM
Teleconference

1. Call to Order & Introductions

12:07 PM, the meeting was called to order.

2. Officer Reports

- **Treasurer's Report – Mike Holland**

Mike reported that there had been minimal financial activity over the last year and a half.

There was discussion about the various committee and section budget needs and income.

The budget was sent out for a vote via email on August 17, 2021, there were no opposing votes and the budget was passed.

- **Trustee's Report – Chris Marschinke**

Not present, no report was given.

3. Committee Chair Reports

- **Public Education – Stephanie Cioni**

Stephanie reported on the student essay contest winners and the awards that were given.

It was reported that the public education committee will be offering the service of creating videos for WTTTPs to help promote their work and create public information videos to be presented to students.

There was also discussion about different ways to promote workforce diversity within the wastewater industry.

- **Membership – Aaron Berry**

Aaron talked about doing a WEFTEC giveaway for section members and about the membership survey results.

- **Students & Young Professionals – Nick Domalewski**

Nick talked about the maintenance that was done on the 2019 WEFTEC volunteer project and about doing a presentation at U of I.

- **Laboratory / Industrial Pre-Treatment – Eduardo Gasca/ Mary Dressel**

Not present, no report given.

- **Collections – Paul Siegfied**

Paul talked about the possibility of an in person seminar in June 2022.

- **Operations /Safety – Jason Neighbors**

Jason talked about moving all training and webinars to a virtual format and the possibility for a future seminar.

- **Government Affairs – Matt Streicher**

Matt talked about teaming up with IAWA if an in person seminar is held and if not then doing a virtual seminar.

Chair – Bob Swirsky, DGSD

Vice Chair - Jason Neighbors, Glenbard Wastewater Authority | 2nd Vice Chair – Jillian Kiss, Totter & Associates. Inc.

- Biosolids /Energy/Resource Recovery – Chris Buckley / Mike Harvey
Chris talked about the formation of an ad hoc multi-section regional resource recovery committee, and trying to get a webinar going for FRWRD and their MAGPREX system.
- Stormwater Committee – Paul Siegfried/Tim Juskiewicz
Paul talked about the stormwater webinar planned that was planned for November.

4. CSWEA Executive Committee Reports

- Global Water Stewardship – Liz Heise
Liz talked about the trip that was planned to Costa Rica and about the communities that are selected for 2022 and 2023 and the Ticosan conference that was scheduled for last November.
- LIFT Delegate – Derek Wold
Bob gave the report for Derek, talked about the current status of lift and the committee will be talking about the focus and direction LIFT will be taking.
 - PWO Rep – Matt Streicher
Matt talked about the first scheduled practice and the members of the team.

5. Old Business

- CSWEA Member Survey
Aaron reported that he was planning on the officers to go over the results.

6. New Business

- IL-X Action Items
Suggestions that were made during IL-X and CSX were discussed. WEFs prioritizing to promote diversity was discussed, Public Education Committee will take the first steps to address this.

7. Upcoming Events

- Virtual events and CXS 2021 were mentioned.

8. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn: James Kerrigan

Second: Liz Heise