

## NORFMA Board Conference Call

### MEETING MINUTES

NORFMA board conference call: Monday, April 5, 2010

Attendees: Henry Hu  
Paula Cooper  
Monica Mannerstrom  
Dianna Woods  
Mary McGown  
Taunnie Boothby  
Dan Sokol

**Topics: Training.** We discussed proposed training in Yakima for a one-day Floodplain Management 101 workshop. Henry let us know that Al and Tim D'Acci are working on a 2-day short course providing the 101 information and additional state specific topics. Becca's proposal looks the best and is ready to go at this point, so Dianna will contact her to get more details for a workshop in Yakima. Other trainers could be contracted for additional workshops in the region. Dianna will send information to the Board when she gets specifics.

**Membership drive.** Discussed the flyer and requested any edits/comments be sent to Henry so he can finalize it Wednesday. He will then distribute it to the State Coordinators and request they distribute it.

**WAFM & NORFMA.** Briefly discussed current status and comments from Terry Keenhan. Henry will be able to attend the first WAFM meeting in King County on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, and other board members are welcome to attend or call-in.

**ESA & FEMA Court Cases Update.** Dan Sokol let us know the Model Ordinance that has come out of the court case is not popular with the environmental organizations and they may not accept it. He will forward letters he has received about the topic to the board.

**Outreach Committee.** There were requests from board to post or distribute information that would be of value to members, manage the official membership list, and for a permanent committee chair. Also discussed whether Training and Education should be separate from Outreach. General consensus they could be the same committee at this point. Dianna volunteered to assist with all of these items including assisting with chair duties. She may be able to take on the outreach chair position if her assistance on the conference committee does not take too much time. (Al graciously accepted the chair position long enough to get the committee up and running and get the web site established)

**Nomination Committee.** The board asked Dan if he would be interested in leading this committee as he did in 2009, and he accepted. Discussion led to general NORFMA membership topic for AK and BC.

- Taunnie asked if one or more additional NORFMA board member(s) could be on her AK state-wide conference call April 22<sup>nd</sup>? Henry and Dianna said they could join the call.
- Monica updated the board about NORFMA interest she heard at the most recent meeting held by the Canadian Water Resources Association, Flood Management Committee.

**Conference Committee.** Jerry Louthain is still interested in being chair of this committee, and will be gone for a month on vacation. He'll be monitoring emails. Henry will draft a notice announcement for the conference.

**Conference calls/sponsor recognition.** We are currently using West's conference call facilities for NORFMA Board calls and Jerry is using HDR's for the Conference Committee. Henry asked about recognition of this sponsorship on our web site. Board agreed as long as the format/style is appropriate to the web site purpose.

**Bylaws.** Paula has started working on updating the bylaws with Henry's input. They will put the draft before the board when the edits are finished.

**Dues.** Board discussed raising dues from \$25 to \$35 since they had not been increased for many years; the bylaws will need to be revised to reflect a change in membership fee. Discussed and decided to send reminders to members to encourage them to keep their membership current outside of annual conferences. Need to formalize what the membership year is, can discuss as part of bylaws update.

**Board position duties.** This also needs to be reviewed and perhaps clarified as needed in bylaws.

**Additional business.** Taunnie asked if she can have the AK conference call posted on the web site? Answer from board was "yes". She will forward information to Dianna when they finalize the date and agenda. Dianna will work with Al and Anna to get the information posted.