Date: November 6th, 2014 at 1:30 am to 3:30 PM

Location: Younes Conference Center, 416 W Talmadge Rd, Kearney

Call In Participant #: 800 704 9804 code 83795334#

Board Meeting Agenda

- Roll Call
- Approval of last Board Meeting minutes (November 6th, 2013)
- Chair’s Report
  - Initiative 1 - Update mission statement
  - Initiative 2 - Template bank for water/wastewater SOPs & Policy
  - Initiative 3 - Explore benchmarking for water/wastewater utilities
- Director’s Report.
- Treasurer’s Report.
- Committee reports.

Old Business:

- Small Systems EPA Grant Ad Hoc Committee Report
- Approve EPA Grant Area 2
- Obtain agreement to with joint organization for releasing fall conference list of attendees – Just names & employers
- Video recording on select presentations for streaming off of web site
- Mentoring/SME (Subject Matter Expert Updates)

New Business:

- Open to discussion by members for any improvements to the Section, Board or Committees
- Combining Wisewater Words with Effluent Line
- Non NSAWWA members participating on committees
- Ad Hoc Committee Total Water Solutions
- Nominations and Slate of Candidates

Next Meeting(s):

November 5th Alley Rose 6:30 pm NSAWWA BOD & Committee Chair
November 6th – 1:30 to 3:30 pm, Kearney Younes Center Annual Conference
Annual Joint Conference Thursday & Friday November 6th & 7th
Adjournment:

Important Dates
2013 Conference Fall Joint Conference Debrief
April 16th thru 17th (Actual date & time TBD) 3 Party Talks Great Plains Conf. LaVista
March 7th & 8th – RSMO Region IV – Nebraska's Region – Salt Lake City Utah
April 4th & 5th – RSMO Region III – Des Moines Iowa
May 31, 2014 Call for papers due date
June 8 – 12th ACE – Boston Massachusetts
July 23 & 24, Summer Workshop
August 11th – Ad Hoc Mission
August 7th – Retreat – canceled

Initiative 1 - Update Mission Statement Plan of Action
Review mission statement
Edit & update mission statement
Approve mission statement
  •  Form Ad Hoc Committee
Decide on Mission Statement Structure
Revised Mission Statement
Finalize structure content
Approve mission statement at fall conference if ready

Initiative 2- Add Water/Wastewater SOP & Policy Templates to Website
Make templates available for reviewing
Make all, none, some templates available

Initiative 3 - Benchmarking Water/Wastewater Performance
Create rough outline of key benchmarking parameters
Approach partners for collaboration
Develop charter & MOU
Seek grant money as needed
Invite limited participants for pilot testing & developing
Scale up
Draft Business Meeting Minutes November 6, 2013
Nebraska Section American Water Works Association

Board Chair Eric Lee called the meeting to order @ 1334 hours. The meeting was held at the NSAWWA Annual Conference in the Younes Conference Center in Kearney, Nebraska.

Board Members, Committee Chairs and Visitors present:
Board Chair: Eric Lee
Chair Elect: David Lathrop
Vice Chair: Doug Woodbeck
Secretary: Chad Roberts
Treasurer: Ben Day
Trustee: Milo Rust
Trustee: Jim Shields
Trustee: Eric "Rick" Melcher
Trustee: Mary Poe
Past Chair: Rob Pierce
Director: John Olsson
Committee Chairs: Marc Rosso, Dennis Watts, Jerry Obrist, Christian New, John Keith, Teresa Konda, Kevin Tobin, Craig Reinsch, Brain Gongol, Justin Steine, Mike Wentink..
Other attendees: Al Schoemaker, Bruce Dvorak, Rob Behrens, Dave Rager, Jim Wells, Daryl Kottwitz.

The November 8, 2012 Business Meeting Minutes were reviewed. In the Young Professional committee report, the poker proceeds will support Water for People. Doug Woodbeck motioned to approve the minutes, second by Rob Pierce. Unanimous approval.


Director’s Report: See attached report from John Olsson. We thank Dave Rager for attending our conference. There will be nine candidates for AWWA Vice President at the Winter Board Meeting. NSAWWA supports the presidential candidate. John will be attending the Winter Board meeting, January 16 - 20 in Austin Texas. Funds need to be approved for John's attendance. David Lathrop motioned to approve the Director's report, second by Doug Woodbeck. Unanimous approval.

Committee Reports:

Archive & History: See attached report from Kevin Tobin.

Audit: See attached report from Eric Lee. David Lathrop will become the committee chair for 2014
Awards: See attached report from Dennis Watts.

Budget: See attached report from Ben Day. Eric Melcher will become the committee chair for 2014-2015.

Cross-Connection Control: See attached report from Rich Koenig.

Education: See Attached report from John Keith.

Fall Conference: The Fall Conference is underway. Attendance numbers are in the range for 300 conference and 60 vendors. New for this year in the QR code located on the program brochure. This code is a survey about the Fall Conference. Doug Woodbeck will be the committee chair for 2014.

Fuller Award: See attached report for Mike Wentink.

MAC: No report.

Membership: See attached report from Marc Rosso.

Nominations: The Nominations Committee submitted the required report earlier this year at the July Board meeting. Nominations from the floor were called for. No nominations from the floor were proposed. Doug Woodbeck made a motion to approve the list of nominees, second by Jim Shield. Eric Lee called for a vote to confirm the nominations. All were in favor and the seats are filled. The persons filling the various positions for calendar year 2014 are:

Chair - David Lathrop
Chair Elect - Doug Woodbeck
Vice Chair - Ben Day
Treasurer - Eric Melcher
Secretary - Chad Roberts
Trustee - Eric Lehman
Trustee - Mary Poe
Trustee - Milo Rust
Trustee - Jim Shields
Director - John Olsson
Past Chair - Eric Lee

Eric Lee will be the committee chair for 2014.
Public Information: See attached report from Mary Poe.

Publications: See attached report from Brain Gongol.

Safety: See attached report from Milo Rust.

Scholarship: See attached report from Jon Zellars.

Small Systems: See attached report from Eric Melcher.

Student Activities: See attached report from Dr. Xu Li.

Water For People: See attached report from Christian New.

Water Utility Council: See attached report from Jim Shields.

Young Professionals: See attached report from Craig Reinsch.

Old Business: The Ad Hoc committees for Nitrate and Survey Membership have been disbanded.

New Business: Marc Rossco updated the Board on our current membership status. Presently our section has 361 members, an increase of 16 new members. We all have a 95% retention rate of our members with a 5% grow rate. The 5% increase in growth is outstanding, presently there are 40 sections with a negative grow rate. Some areas that are successful for us are, retention of members and reaching out to students. Most 1st class cities in Nebraska are members of AWWA with some 2nd class cities. During our membership drive is summer we were only able to add 1 more cities. Marc is going to review the attendance of this year Fall Conference as to see how many attendees are not members of AWWA. The focus on those to see why they are not a member.
The 3 year Audit was completed this year. The only recommendation is a check and balance, presently Ben is sending a copy of invoices to David.

Nominations see report.

Next Meeting: The next board meeting is scheduled for November 6, 2014 at 1330 hours to be held in Kearney, Nebraska at the Younes Conference Center during the NSAWWA Annual Fall Conference.

Adjournment: Doug Woodbeck motioned to adjourn, Milo Rust second. Unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 1444 hours.
VISION: Safe and sustainable water for Nebraska, the State’s most important resource.

MISSION: The Nebraska Section of the American Water Works Association is dedicated to promoting quality drinking water in sufficient quantity for Nebraskans through directed efforts in education, advocacy, public awareness, and innovative water solutions.

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<td>Encourage service and recognize achievements&lt;br&gt;Understand and meet diverse membership needs&lt;br&gt;Encourage active participation of our members through committee involvement and Section activities</td>
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<td><strong>2. Participate</strong>&lt;br&gt;Actively participate as an advocate in the legislative and regulatory process</td>
<td>Monitor state and federal water related legislation and regulations and engage where appropriate to support the Section mission and membership&lt;br&gt;Represent and communicate the interests and concerns of the drinking water community to local, state and federal agencies, and law makers</td>
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<td><strong>3. Promote</strong>&lt;br&gt;Promote education, professional development, training, and information/technology exchange</td>
<td>Organize education and training programs for the water community&lt;br&gt;Identify and develop water industry leaders&lt;br&gt;Encourage utilities to utilize best practices to enhance water operations</td>
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<td><strong>4. Collaborate</strong>&lt;br&gt;Collaborate with water stakeholders</td>
<td>Promote the value of water to owners, customers, and general public&lt;br&gt;Cultivate strategic partnerships to enhance the Section’s ability to achieve its goals</td>
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<td><strong>5. Maintain &amp; Renew</strong>&lt;br&gt;Maintain and renew the section through effective leadership and organization management practices</td>
<td>Maintain the effectiveness of volunteer leadership in guiding the Section&lt;br&gt;Periodically review processes and improve the Section’s finances, operations, committees, and programs</td>
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This Section strategic plan does not establish details or costs of implementation. The Section board and committees are the primary driving force to achieving the section’s vision and advancing its mission through goals of the strategic plan. Specific plan initiatives and proposed budgets are determined at the committee level.
Member Engagement & Development

Knowledge Creation and Exchange

- **EPA GRANT PROGRAM**
  Staff continues to implement the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Small Systems Grant with the following updates.

  **Area 1 with the Rural Community Assistance Partnership (RCAP)**

Organizational Stewardship

- No update

Leadership and Advocacy

- No update

**Thoughts going forward -> 2015**

During the September board meeting we spent some time flushing out our Section Strategic Plan. We created a good summary and provided alignment with the Association’s Strategic Plan. At the same time I shared with you a list of our current committees and how each of them “connects” with the strategic initiatives we have set forth. I am of the opinion that we could bulk up our effort to give more attention to goal number four, which relates to collaboration with water stakeholders. And in particular cultivating strategic partnerships to enhance the Section’s ability to achieve our goals. To that end I would suggest the creation of an ad hoc committee as described in the attached page.

Respectfully Submitted,

John S. Olsson
Nebraska Section Director
NE AWWA


Treasurers Report

Account Summary as of 10/15/14:

- Checking Account $30,700.87
- Savings Account $5,884.04
- Pipe Workshop $2,713.53
- Subtotal $39,298.44
- CD’s Total $65,129.97
- Total of all Accounts $104,428.41

BUDGET REPORT:

Bills:

AWWA – Plaque, T-Shirts, Pin, Fuller Award $111.00
AccuConference – Conference Call Expense $26.80
Water For People – Donation, May Golf Outing $4,818.48
AWWA – UNL Student Membership Fee Deferral $150.00
Xu Li – AWWA / WEF Student Chapter Activity Reimbursement $100.09
Justin Stine – Annual Conference YP Poker Tourney, G Cards $150.00

$5,356.37

Deposits:

NSAWWA Multi Section Allotment $168.30

Total $168.30

2014 Budget:

The current 2014 Budget as of 10/15/14 is attached.

Book Store Allotment: $600.00 has been used for Educational and Fall Conference merchandise. Items for $86.30 and $360.00 + shipping which we haven’t been given yet, with that there should be approximately $153.70 remaining in the NSAWWA Allotment.

2015 Budget:

I will be initiating the 2015 Budget although I have only received a couple budget requests to date so if there are any budget requests ready to be submitted I’ll include them for next year.

Respectfully Submitted:
Eric Melcher, Treasurer
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**Previous Years' Notes**

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- 2015 Budget
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Committee: Archives & History Committee  Date: October 29, 2014
Chair: Kevin Tobin  Vice Chair: None Assigned
Total Members: 3 Active Members: 3

Executive Board Liaison: Eric Lee

List of Active Members:
Rob Pierce
Kevin Tobin
W. James Wells

When and Where has the Committee met in the Past Year (include conference calls)?
E-mail Communication

Proposed Changes in Committee Membership:
None

Deliverables/Activities:
None this year

How might the Executive Board assist your Committee in Accomplishing its Work?
Provide ideas on the direction of this Committee.

Plans/Projects for Upcoming Year:
Continue to discuss how best to compile data/information for storage and how to retrieve it.
Continue to engage System Operators to research and share history of their Systems.
Discuss calendar idea?

Budget Expenditures for 2014:
$0

Budget Request for 2014 (include a short justification):
$50 – File boxes for historical items.
Committee: AWARDS______________________ Date: 10/22/14___________________

Chair: Dennis Watts____________________ Vice Chair: NONE___________________

Total Members: 6____ Active Members: 6___

Executive Board Liaison: Chad Roberts_____________

List of Active Members:
Steve Kelly Chad Roberts Rob Pierce Doug Woodbeck Jack Satur Dennis Watts

When and Where has the Committee met in the Past Year (include conference calls)?

August, 2014 – conference call and various emails.

Proposed Changes in Committee Membership:
NONE

Deliverables/Activities:

New awards are as follows:
Water Treatment Plant Operator Award
Cross Connection Control Program of the Year Award
Cross Connection Specialist of the Year Award
Longevity nomination
Outstanding Supervisory Operator Award

In 2014 we are giving out
4 WISA Award
0 Cross Connection Specialist of the Year Award
1 Longevity Awards
1 Volunteer Award
1 Fuller Award

How might the Executive Board assist your Committee in Accomplishing its Work?

Continue to assist committee as needed and encourage systems to nominate deserving applicants for awards.

Plans/Projects for Upcoming Year:

Same as 2014.

Budget Expenditures for 2014:

$400.

Budget Request for 2015 (include a short justification):

$400. The money budgeted will be spent on awards such as plaques etc. We will hopefully be able to hand out additional awards this year.
Committee: Cross Connection Committee  Date: October 27, 2014

Chair: Rich Koenig  Vice Chair: Leroy Kramer

Total Members: 6  Active Members: 6

Executive Board Liaison: Chad Roberts

List of Active Members: Rich Koenig, Leroy Kramer, Chad Roberts, Rob Pierce, Terry Vail and Doug Meyer.

When and where has the committee met in the past year (include conference calls): Committee met March 12, 2014 and provided potential topics for the 4-1 day workshops co-sponsored with LNM.

Proposed changes in committee membership: None

Deliverables/Activities: 4–1 day workshops co-sponsored with LNM and assist with the “Ultimate Backflow Challenge”

Assist with selection process for the following awards:

“Cross Connection Control Program of the Year”
“Cross Connection specialist of the Year”

How might the Executive Board assist your Committee in accomplishing its work? Working OK

Plans/Projects for upcoming year: 4–1 day workshops co-sponsored with LNM

Provide CCC Training at the Annual Conference with the “Backflow Challenge” and “Ultimate Backflow Challenge”

Anticipated Budget Expenditures for 2014:

$1500.00 - LofNM cost share (?)
$ 720.00 – Ultimate Backflow Challenge
$  80.00 – Misc.

Budget Request for 2014 (include a short justification) $2300.00

Help fund the “Ultimate Backflow Challenge” session and various other expenses as described above

Other Items:

Attendance at the 4–1 day workshops co-sponsored with LNM was approximately 161 operators. The date and sites were as follows:

September 4, 2014 in Ogallala, NE
September 9, 2014 in Grand Island, NE
September 10, 2014 in Wayne, NE
September 11 and 12, 2014 in Beatrice, NE
Committee: Education  Date: November 6, 2014
Chair: John Keith  Vice Chair: Nick McElvain
Total Members: 6  Active Members: 6
Executive Board Liaison: Doug Woodbeck

List of Active Members:
John Keith, Chair  
Nick McElvain  Brian Gongol  Rob Pierce  
Steve Kelley  Mike Wentink

When and Where has the Committee met in the Past Year (include conference calls)?
All correspondence has been via email.

Proposed Changes in Committee Membership: none

Deliverables/Activities:
Eleven (11) Water Workshops and three (3) confined space safety workshops cosponsored with League of Nebraska Municipalities with four (4) more scheduled during November (Falls City) and December (Norfolk, Fremont and Lincoln). There were a total of 311 participants (343 including presenters and DHHS staff).

How might the Executive Board assist your Committee in Accomplishing its Work?
Continued support and consideration of upcoming education possibilities and recommendations of new educational avenues is always appreciated.

Budget Expenditures for 2014:

$600  AWWA Bookstore
$5000  LoNM Agreement (Invoice to be submitted at year end)

Budget Request for 2015 (include a short justification):

$5,000.00  LoNM Agreement for joint workshop coordination
$600  AWWA Bookstore Section Funds
$2000  Bi-annual Pipe Workshop
(It is expected that this would be a revenue neutral event but would like funding there if needed)
**Plans/Projects for Upcoming Year:**

**EPA Small System Grants – Two training events.**

Small Systems defined as population < 10,000  
All workshops MUST be provided free of charge to Small Systems

1. **First Training Event/workshop**  
   1) Area 1 workshop to be used in place of normal every 2 year Spring Pipeline Workshop  
   2) Tentative date is Thursday May 7th 2015, at Camp Carol joy Holling, Ashland  
   3) Workshop Topics  
      a. 2 Hr Topic: Water Treatment – Microbial Contaminants & Nitrite and Nitrate Removal  
         i. Potential Speakers: David Lathrop & John Keith  
      b. 2 Hr Topic: Disinfection by-Products Reduction and Control (2hr)  
         i. Potential Speakers: Mike Wentink  
      c. 2 Hr Topic: Distribution System Operation & Maintenance  
         i. Potential Speakers: Brian Gongol  
      d. 2 Hr Topic: Regulatory Review – RTCR, Lead/Copper, Groundwater Rule  
         i. Potential Speakers: DHHS representative  
   4) Section will receive $3,700 for Area 1 workshop. Sections to provide $500 in-kind cost sharing. Meals cannot be reimbursed by the Grant so the Section will absorb approximately $500 costs for lunch.  
   5) AWWA Sections working with the Rural Community Assistance Program (RCAP). Section provides workshop speakers.

2. **Second Training Event/workshop**  
   1) Area 2 workshop to be use in place of Normal Annual Fall Conference Workshop (?)  
      a. Mike Wentink to visit with training coalition about this possibility. No revenue will be generated for coalition.  
   2) Expect large turnout - Water operators will be looking for CEU as it is a renewal year.  
   3) Workshop topic with be “Training and Technical Assistance to Improve Financial and Managerial Capacity and Enable Small System Water Systems to Provide Safe Drinking Water”.  
   4) Section will receive $2,800 for Area 2 workshop but meals cannot be reimbursed by the Grant so the Section will absorb approximately $500 costs for lunch.  
   5) AWWA Sections working with the Environmental Finance Center (EFC). EFC provides speakers.

**Other Items:**

FYI $600 AWWA Bookstore Section Funds are available from National each year to the Section
Committee: Fall Conference  
Chair: Doug Woodbeck

Number of active members on committee: 5  
Executive Board Liaison: Doug Woodbeck

List of Active Committee Members: David Lathrop, Mike Wentink, Rich Koenig, Tony Bilek, Ben Day

When and where has the committee met this past year (include conference calls): A meeting was held at the Groundwater Conference in April 2014 at the Embassy Suites Conference Center in LaVista, Nebraska. All other activity has been via e-mail communications and discussions at the NSAWWA Board Meetings.

Proposed changes in committee membership: In 2015, Ben Day will be the new Committee Chair. No other changes are recommended in committee membership.

Deliverables/Activities: Coordinate and implement all Fall Conference activities and training schedules.

How may the Executive Board assist the committee in accomplishing its work? No additional assistance is needed.

Plans/Projects for the upcoming year: Same as all other years. 2015 Fall Conference joint Planning meeting to be held at the 2014 Fall Conference. All other planning activities according to Fall Conference SOP.

Budget Expenditures for previous year: See Treasurers Report.

Budget request for current year: See Treasurers Report.

Other: NA

Please submit completed form to NSAWWA Secretary at least one week prior to the scheduled meeting.
Committee: Fuller ........................................... Date: November 6, 2014

Chair: Glenn Dostal ........................................... Vice Chair: ...........................................

Total Members: 5  Active Members: 5

Executive Board Liaison:

List of Active Members:
Glenn Dostal
Larry Andreasen
Dennis Watts
John Olsson
Bruce Dvorak

When and where has the committee met in the past year (include conference calls):
By Email and phone calls– May-June, 2014

Proposed changes in committee membership:
Annual progressive change as per Bylaws

Deliverables/Activities:
Solicitation of candidates, discussion, voting, and selection of Fuller Award recipient. This year’s winner will be announced at this evenings banquet.

How might the Executive Board assist your Committee in accomplishing its work?
Process is working fine

Plans/Projects for upcoming year:
Evaluation and selection of next year’s Fuller awardee.

Anticipated Budget Expenditures for 2013:
$130.00+ recipient’s family members meals as applicable

Budget Request for 2014 (include a short justification)
$180.00 (varies with inclusion of family member attendance at banquet – meal cost)

Section Plaque - $100.00 (cost can be less if using a vendor with the past developed template)
Fuller Pin - $30.00
Recipient’s family - Will vary but assume $50 for cost of banquet meals.

Other Items
NEBRASKA SECTION AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION
2014 COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee: Membership Date: September 25, 2014

Chair: Marc Rosso Vice Chair:

Total Members: 6 Active Members: 6

Executive Board Liaison: Eric Lee

List of Active Members: Marc Rosso, Rich Robinson, Tony Bilek, Bruce Dvorak, Chris Miller, Rob Pierce

When and where has the committee met in the past year (include conference calls): The committee met at the Fall Conference in Kearney in addition to exchanging emails and calls to provide for the membership drive that was held in early Spring. Chair Marc Rosso attended the AWWA membership summit in Denver in January 2014. The committee prepared the 2014 membership plan update and submitted to AWWA in March. The committee obtained engineers names that had sealed at least three sets of plans for DHHS submittal and sent membership information to them. A 90 trial membership was sent to several potential members in August. For Fall Conference we will be sending a note to all new members since last Fall Conference giving them $20 off registration for Fall Conference. The committee sent a welcome packet to each new member and sent late notices to members who were past due. In addition, parts of the committee met with the Board at regularly scheduled meetings.

Proposed changes in committee membership: None.

Deliverables/Activities: 2014 Membership Plan

How might the Executive Board assist your Committee in accomplishing its work? The Board is doing an excellent job helping membership with activities such as the annual retreat and assisting with membership drive ideas.

Plans/Projects for upcoming year: An early spring 2015 non-member contact is planned to try to add members. In addition a student membership drive is planned in the fall. We will update the membership plan with activities that worked well and provide comments in the SOP.

Anticipated Budget Expenditures for 2014: $300

Budget Request for 2014 (include a short justification) Budget request is $300 to continue normal activities. As of 9/25/14 we have 341 active and 346 total members which is down slightly from 351 total members at this time last year.

Respectfully submitted,

Marc E. Rosso, PE
Membership Chair
Committee: Nominations

Date: 10/17/2014

Chair: Eric Lee

Vice Chair: 

Total Members: 4

Active Members: 4

Executive Board Liaison: Eric Lee

List of Active Members: John Olsson, Eric Lee, Mary Poe, David Lathrop

When and where has the committee met in the past year (include conference calls):
E-mails and conference calls were conducted to edit the previously published Slate of Candidates to reflect current changes in members and nominations. This updated Slate of Candidates was sent to Secretary Roberts and to Brian Gongol for post on the Section Website.
The Past Chair’s Breakfast has been scheduled for Friday November 7, 2014 in Kearney. At this time 15 individuals have responded for attendance.

Proposed changes in committee membership:
None at this time

Deliverables/Activities:
Updated Slate of Candidates has been posted on Section the Website

How might the Executive Board assist your Committee in accomplishing its work? At this time no assistance from the Board has been needed for the Nominations Committee

Plans/Projects for upcoming year:
Welcome the newly nominated/elected members of the Section and continue to assist the Past Chair
As the new Chair of the Nominations Committee

Anticipated Budget Expenditures for 2014: None at this time

Budget Request for 2015 (include a short justification)
NEBRASKA SECTION AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION  
2014 COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee: Publications  Date: October 27, 2014  
Chair: Brian Gongol  Vice Chair: none appointed 
Total Members: 5  Active Members: 5

Executive Board Liaison: Mary Poe

List of Active Members: Brian Gongol, Teresa Konda, Mary Poe, Marc Rosso, Mike Wentink

When and where has the committee met in the past year (include conference calls): All committee business this year has been conducted via e-mail exchanges. No conference calls or physical meetings have taken place.

Proposed changes in committee membership:
None

Deliverables/Activities:
- Website
- Digital publication tools (YouTube, Facebook, and e-mail distribution list)
- Section Directory
- Wise Water Words

How might the Executive Board assist your Committee in accomplishing its work? The board and committee chairs are encouraged to send any and all news for publication on an as-it-happens basis. Historically, we waited for fixed publication dates to share news via Wise Water Words, but due to (a) the change in publication steps and approach forced upon us by the cancellation of the national publication program and (b) a general demand for news and information to appear online, the traditional publication schedule is no longer a limiting factor. Our preference, as the publications committee has moved to a "digital-first" policy, is to publish news online immediately, share it promptly (via Facebook, e-mail distribution list, and RSS), and then occasionally "sweep" the news updates together into a publication format. That publication, however, is expensive and slow to produce, so it really should not be our first priority.

Plans/Projects for upcoming year:
- Continue to improve our "digital first" publication strategy, with a regular printing schedule for Wise Water Words (the digital publication has been timely this year, but due to the chair's fault, the physical publication has not)
- Pursue contributions more aggressively from committee chairs and board members
- Encourage department heads, managers, and other influencers to promote our e-mail distribution list (which is not restricted to AWWA members) to their employees, in order to promote membership interest
- Encourage current AWWA members who are not signed up for the e-mail distribution list to join the list
- Look for a partnering organization to assist with the layout and publication of a PDF/printable version of "Wise Water Words"
- Add a Twitter account to our other publication methods as an additional means of notifying members and non-members alike about our Section's news and events
Anticipated Budget Expenditures for 2015:

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Budget Request for 2015 (include a short justification)

$3,100.00 should be sufficient to cover the items above. We will attempt to economize further as possible, and to solicit advertising revenues to offset expenses. While this is a higher cost than we incurred while National was publishing the section newsletter (at no cost to us), this budget figure is substantially lower than when we were publishing on our own in 2010 and prior. (The 2010 budget request for Wise Water Words was $3,900, which was the net of $10,700 in expenses and $6,800 in advertising revenues. This budget assumes no advertising revenues.)

Other Items
None.
Committee: Public Information    Date: November 6, 2014

Chair: Mary Poe    Vice Chair:

Total Members: 4    Active Members: 4    Executive Board Liaison:

List of Active Members:
Mary Poe, Brian Gongol, Eric Obert, Jami Cerone

When and Where has the Committee met in the Past Year (include conference calls)?
April 18, 2014 - Lincoln
August 28, 2014 – Lincoln
E-mail correspondence as needed

Proposed Changes in Committee Membership: None, but new members are welcome.

Deliverables/Activities:
Materials sent to Mayors of about 40 cities inviting them to issue a Mayor’s Proclamation for Drinking Water Week.
Water tasting contest, educational presentation, and award at the fall conference
Children's Poster Contest at fall conference.
Nebraska Section Facebook page: 154 fans

How might the Executive Board assist your Committee in Accomplishing its Work?
Share ideas and feedback with the PI Committee.

Plans/Projects for Upcoming Year:
Manage Facebook page and explore other networking options
News releases for awards, fall conference, and other events as needed
Activities prior to or during Drinking Water Week
Water tasting contest

Budget Expenditures for 2014:
Approximately $500

Budget Request for 2015 (include a short justification):
May spend more money on DWW activities.
Budget request = $600

Other Items:
Committee: Student Activities and Research  Date: 10/22/2014
Chair: Xu Li  Vice Chair: 
Total Members: ~15  Active Members: 7
Executive Board Liaison: Ben Day

List of Active Members:
Xu Li
Vince Kuppig (president of the UNL AWWA/NWEA student chapter)
Darshan Baral (vice president)
Allison Speicher (secretary)
Yuping Zhang (treasurer)
Stefan Schaepe (activities chair)

When and Where has the Committee met in the Past Year (include conference calls)?
The committee chair and the officers of the student chapter met in November 2013, January, April, August, and October 2014.

Proposed Changes in Committee Membership:
The student chapter will hold its annual election in April 2015. Some of the current officers will graduate next year. It is expected that some new officers will be elected.

Deliverables/Activities:

- In November 2013, about 15 AWWA/NWEA student members attended the Fall Conference in Kearney, NE. Three made oral presentations.
- In early April 2014, several UNL/UNO students attended and presented at the Great Plain Waste Management Conferences in La Vista, NE.
- In April 2014, the UNL AWWA/NWEA student chapter held a demonstration of a water treatment process (adsorption) to high school students at UNL E-Week.
- In August 2014, four students (Vince Kuppig, Allison Speicher, Darshan Baral, and Zhe Du) volunteered to help with the NWEA Scholarship Golf Outing event.
- On October 1st 2014, the student chapter organized a career panel to introduce career options for students who are interested in environmental engineering. The six panelists were Weston Engel of Carollo Engineers, Jake Miriovsky of Nebraska Game and Parks, Craig Reinsch of Olsson Associates, Andrew Synhorst of JEO, Amit Shrivastava of HDR, and Angel Lowery of NDEQ. About 35 students attended the event.
How might the Executive Board assist your Committee in Accomplishing its Work?

The current support is sufficient.

**Plans/Projects for Upcoming Year:**

- Student meetings in Spring semester.
- Involvement in the UNL E-Week to advertise the drinking water industry.
- Annual election in April 2015.
- Career panel in the Fall semester
- Participation in local conferences.

**Budget Expenditures for 2014:**

- About $100 to cover the cost of reserving a university van to provide transportation to student attendees to the Kearney Fall Conference in November 2013.
- About $200 to cover the costs for student chapter events.

**Budget Request for 2014 (include a short justification):**

- ~$100 to reserve a van to bring students to the Kearney conference in November 2014.
- ~$200 for holding student meetings at UNL
- ~$250 for subsiding AWWA student membership applications in 2015.

**Other Items:**
Committee: Safety Committee
Date: October 28, 2014
Chair: Milo Rust
Vice Chair: Rob Pierce
Total Members: 12
Active Members: 12
Executive Board Liaison: 
List of Active Members: Same

When and Where has the Committee met in the Past Year (include conference calls)?
Fall Conference.

Proposed Changes in Committee Membership: To be determined

Deliverables/Activities: Utility Safety Award

How might the Executive Board assist your Committee in Accomplishing its Work?

Plans/Projects for Upcoming Year: Safety training

Budget Expenditures for 2013: $00.00

Budget Request for 2012 (include a short justification):
Safety Awards
Training $200.00
Total $1300.00

Other Items:
Committee: Scholarship  Date: October 21, 2014

Chair: Jon Zellars  Vice Chair: None

Total Members: 5  Active Members: 4

Executive Board Liaison: Unknown

List of Active Members:
Larry Andreasen
Chip Haas
Chris Koenig
Jon Zellars

When and Where has the Committee met in the Past Year (include conference calls)?
October 2014 via e-mail

Proposed Changes in Committee Membership:
None

Deliverables/Activities:
Committee members reviewed nine applications for the Colonel Theodore A. Liesen Scholarship. All nine students attend UNL. Two students are pursuing undergraduate degrees and seven are seeking graduate degrees in Civil, Environmental or Water Resources Engineering. Three students were selected to each receive a $1,000 scholarship from NSAWWA. The recipients of the 2014 Theodore A. Liesen Scholarships are as follows:

Matthew Eames ($1,000): Matthew is an undergraduate student at UNL pursuing a degree in Civil Engineering with an emphasis in Water Resources. Matthew is the recipient of the University of Nebraska - Lincoln Regents Scholarship, Hy-Vee Foundation Scholarship, Albert G. Pekar Memorial Scholarship and various other University of Nebraska – Lincoln Scholarships. He is a member of ASCE, Chi Epsilon Honors Society and Phi Theta Sigma Honors Society. He is an Eagle Scout; volunteers as a Bright Lights Classroom Assistant and is part of the Teens Encounter Christ Leadership Team. Matthew is a Water Resource Engineer Intern at JEO Consulting. After graduation, Matthew plans to continue working in the water resources field where he would like to work on flood control projects and environmentally sustainable water systems. He aspires to be a Professional Engineer.

Vincent Kuppig ($1,000): Vincent is pursuing a Master of Science degree in Environmental Engineering from UNL. He is the recipient of various College of Engineering scholarships and was awarded a teaching assistantship for the 2013-2014 school year and a research assistantship for the 2014-2015 school year. Vincent is the President of UNL's AWWA/NWEA student chapter and is a member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society and Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society. Vincent has an undergraduate degree in Journalism and Civil Engineering. After working in the Journalism field for eight years, he decided to pursue a graduate degree in Environmental Engineering. Vincent isn’t exactly sure what his career path will be but, he is excited of the prospects within Environmental Engineering and looks forward to working on water quality issues and educating the public by making them aware of the challenges that face the water industry.

Allison Speicher ($1,000): Allison is pursuing a Master of Science degree in Civil Engineering from UNL. She is the recipient of the Regents Academic Scholarship, Honors Book Scholarship, 2013 – NWEA
Scholarship and the Albert R. & Karen S. Schultz Fellowship. Allison is the Treasurer of UNL’s AWWA/NWEA student chapter and is a member of Engineers without Borders, Chi Omega Sorority and UNL Navigators. She is an academic coach for 8th grade STEM students and is active in Engineers without Borders where she traveled to Madagascar in the summer of 2014 to help the organization in their efforts in water quality and water and power supply in the region. Upon graduation, Allison plans to pursue a career in environmental or water resources engineering as a consultant. She is interested in water quality, drinking water, wastewater and storm water related projects. Allison is particularly interested in finding ways to meet ever stringent water quality standards in and around urban settings.

Once again the Scholarship Committee thanks Dr. Xu Li for his assistance in publicizing the availability of the scholarships, encouraging applications and collecting them for the committee.

How might the Executive Board assist your Committee in Accomplishing its Work?

Plans/Projects for Upcoming Year:

Award the 2014 Colonel Theodore A. Liesen Scholarship(s).

Budget Expenditures for 2014:

Abel Wolmen - $1,000 (assumed)
Meter Madness - $1,000 (assumed)
Poster Board Competition - $1,000 (assumed)
Stockholm Water Prize - $500 (assumed)
Leisen - $3,000
Top Ops - $3,300 (assumed)

Budget Request for 2014 (include a short justification):

Abel Wolmen - $1,000
Meter Madness - $1,000
Poster Board Competition - $1,000
Stockholm Water Prize - $500
Leisen - $3,000
Top Ops - $3,000

Other Items:
Committee: Small Systems Committee  Date: 10/29/2014

Chair: Eric Melcher

Total Members: 8  Active Members: 8

Executive Board Liaison: David Lathrop

List of Active Members: Eric Melcher, Milo Rust, Steve Kelley, Marty Norton, David Lathrop, Ken Ekeler, Jim Green and David Jundt

When and where has the committee met in the past year (include conference calls): No formal meeting had been conducted although many of the Committee Members attend several of the meetings and conferences and ultimately discuss committee opportunities.

Proposed changes in committee membership: There have been no changes scheduled at the present time.

Deliverables/Activities: Co-Sponsored a Training Class located in Aurora with the League of Nebraska Municipalities.

How might the Executive Board assist your Committee in accomplishing its work?

Plans/Projects for upcoming year: Additional Training Classes located throughout the State to address specific topics interesting to each training location.

Budget Request for 2015 (include a short justification)
- $400.00
- Webinars when possible for inclusion in Training Sessions
- Will try to co-sponsor with other Water/Sewer Industry Organizations

Other Items: None at the present time
## Water for People Budget

### 2015 Budget

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**Total Payments** | **$9,190.00** |

**Total Expenses** | **$17,200.00**

**Total** | **$ -**

### Other Expenses

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**Total** | **$1,100.00**
Committee: Water Utility Council  Date: 10/27/2014

Chair: Jim Shields

Total Members: 7  Active Members: 7

Executive Board Liaison: Jim Shields

List of Active Members:
Glenn Dostal, David Lathrop, John Olsson, Chad Roberts, Marc Rosso, Milo Rust, Jim Shields

When and where has the committee met in the past year (include conference calls):
No meeting of the entire group was held this year.

Proposed changes in committee membership:

Deliverables/Activities:
Jerry Obrist and Jim Shields participated in the 2014 AWWA Washington DC Fly-in. Milo Rust was scheduled to attend but bad weather kept him grounded. The purpose of the Fly-In is to bring water issues and concerns directly to the congressional offices. One of the action items for the last few Fly-Ins was the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) and this act was passed this year in Congress. EPA is currently meeting with water providers for the purpose of setting up the rules and procedures to apply for this funding mechanism.

How might the Executive Board assist your Committee in accomplishing its work?

Plans/Projects for upcoming year:
We plan on sending 3 members to the 2015 Fly-In. 2 paid by the Nebraska Section and 1 by AWWA National.

Budget Request for 2015 (include a short justification)

$1,000 for AWWA Annual Convention and Exposition. – To attend meeting of WUC chairmen and WUC Committee mtg. Registration only, not travel expenses.

$2,500 for two members of the committee to attend the 2015 Fly-In

Other Items

Please return to Rick Melcher - emelcher@cityofaurora.org by Oct. 31st, 2014 before Fall Conference Board Meeting
Committee: Young Professionals Date: October 27, 2014

Chairs: Justin Stine, Craig Reinsch

Vice Chair: 

Total Members: 8 Active Members:

Executive Board Liaison: Mary Poe

List of Active Members:
Justin Stine, Rory Sudbeck, Craig Reinsch, Andrew Synhorst, Brittany Travers, Billy Kaufhold, David Stuart, Jake Miriovsky
Student Chapter Involvement: Xu Li, Vince Kuppig and Allison Speicher.

When and where has the committee met in the past year (include conference calls):
Primarily through email dialogs. Also committee phone calls or emails for specific events. Also had master planning call early spring to outline direction for the year. Informal discussions at the annual meeting are also beneficial.

Proposed changes in committee membership:
Brittany Travers and Andrew Synhorst have agreed to be the co-chairs of the YP Committee moving forward, beginning at the fall conference. Justin and Craig are getting too ‘old’ for the group, so need to at least step out of the chair position. The group is trying to recruit a former South Dakota YP chair into the ranks and also maybe another one or two members. It will be the goal of the group in the coming year to begin focusing more on recruitment in an effort to increase membership. As well, there will be an initiative to involve UNO students as well rather than just UNL students in activities. In addition, there will be an initiative to begin promoting AWWA at UNO and make the necessary connections with a professor to formalize the UNO Chapter. Recommendations are always welcome.

Deliverables/Activities:
- WTF Tour and Social – Council Point WTF, Council Bluffs, IA (April)
- WTF Tour and Social – Grand Island Uranium WTF and Platte Generating Station, Grand Island, NE (September)
- Designees Participated in Grand Island Water Festival (May) and UNL Student Chapter Panel (October) during the year
- Poker Tournament at Annual Conference – Kearney, NE (November)

How might the Executive Board assist your Committee in accomplishing its work? Working OK

Plans/Projects for upcoming year:
None firm at this time, though we have an idea of activities and events to begin working on for next year. Still hope to average at least 4-6 events in the next year. Continued coordination with NWEA to grow the total groups with similar interests rather than bombard with excessive activities, all with low turn outs.

Anticipated Budget Expenditures for 2014: $150 for Poker gift cards, Approximately $100 for Poker MC hotel room, no others planned at this time.
Budget Request for 2015 (include a short justification)

We request an allocation of $500 for purchase of food expense at a social event, probably with the Student Chapter and some expenses with the poker event at the Fall Conference. In addition, we would like to request a budget item of $1,000 for travel and attendance at the national AWWA YP Summit, to be held in Austin, TX in February 2015. *This item will need to be approved at the November meeting so that travel arrangements can be made, if approved.*
Old Business:

Small Systems EPA Grant

Agreement between the Association and Section

In support of the AWWA Subagreement with the Environmental Finance Center (EFCN) – Area 2

**EPA Project:** Smart Management for Small Drinking Water Systems: Financial and Managerial Training, Technical Assistance and Capacity-building

**Goal:** To partner with EFCN to enhance attendance at and provide logistical support for designated in-person workshops.

**Background:** EFCN was awarded $2M in grant funding under USEPA National Priority Area 2 to develop and deliver training and technical assistance for small drinking water systems in the area of financial and managerial capacity.

AWWA received a subagreement from EFCN and funding to meet the requirements of the grant. AWWA will receive an amount not to exceed $245,000 under this grant.

**EFCN will:**

- Contact State primacy agencies to determine the preferred training format and most critical training topic needed in each state
- Design and develop interactive workshops from the following eight (8) topics:
  - Asset Management
  - Rate Setting and Fiscal Planning
  - Energy Management of Water Systems
  - Water Loss Reduction
  - Regional Collaboration, Cooperation or Partnerships
  - Assistance with Access to Multiple Funding Sources
  - Managerial and Financial Leadership Training
  - Enhancing Small System Regulatory Compliance
- Design, develop, and provide printed handouts for all training materials for the workshops
- Provide a qualified EFC instructor to deliver the workshop
- Provide the Section with a timeframe target to schedule the workshop based upon EFCN instructor availability
- Work with Sections to arrange and provide audio-visual equipment the day of the workshop
- Manage the workshop registration process
- Communicate with registrants
- Collaborate with the Association to meet the requirements of the grant
New Business

Lathrop, David

From: Marc Rosso <MRosso@jeo.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 02, 2014 8:47 AM
To: Roger Protzman; Lathrop, David; Mike Milius (mmilius@olssonassociates.com);
Woodbeck, Doug
Cc: Lucas Billesbach; Brian Gongol; 'jharger@vessco.com' (jharger@vessco.com);
jmahony@hobaspipe.com
Subject: RE: awwa/nwea publications-combined documents?

This is what the Rocky Mountain AWWA and RMWEA do. FYI.

Marc, Maybe we can share how it works in other states it made sense to me. Jim

From: RMSAWWA/RMWEA Joint Publications Committee [mailto:erumbles@rmwea.org]
Sent: Wednesday, October 01, 2014 10:08 AM
To: Mahony Jim (MJJ)
Subject: October e-Rumbles
Announcements

RMSAWWA Annual Membership Appreciation Event

**The Annual Membership Appreciation Event** is Thursday, November 6th, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at The Corner Office (1401 Curtis Street, Denver, CO 80202). RMSAWWA cordially invites you to celebrate our successful year at our Annual Membership Appreciation Event! Come hear the highlights of our endeavors this past year, the projects and goals for the coming year, and meet and greet old friends and new!

Take the Light Rail to the Convention Center stop or free parking is available in the garage next to the club. Appetizers will be provided - cash bar. Don’t miss the opportunity to connect to the professional organization that offers you so much, and maybe win some prizes!

Section News

Joint RMWEA / RMSAWWA Young Professionals Bronco's Social

5:30 PM Thursday, October 23rd
Join other Young Professionals at the Wynkoop Brewing Company to cheer on the Broncos and expand your professional network.

RSVP to Ashley Lessig and we hope to see you there!

Workshops, Conferences, and Events

Estes Park PWO Seminar
Date: Thursday, October 9th  
Time: 8:00am - 4:30pm  
Location: Estes Park Resort  
1700 Big Thompson Ave.  
Estes Park, CO 80517  
Topics: TS8 Data Reliability, H2S Damage, Digester Foaming, Enhanced Digestion, and Optimization with Solids Measurements.  
Information: Visit website!

Certification Exam Workshop - Distribution Level 2  
Date: Thursday, October 9th  
Time: 8:00am - 5:00pm  
Location: Westminster Municipal Services Center  
6675 W. 88th Avenue  
Westminster, CO 80031  
Details and Registration: Visit website!

JTAC - Is Your Utility Up to Speed on the Revised Coliform Rule?  
Date: Thursday, October 16th  
Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm  
Location: Brown and Caldwell  
1697 Cole Boulevard, Suite 200  
Golden, CO 80401  
Information and Registration: See website!

20th Annual Vail Wastewater PWO Seminar  
Date: Friday, October 17th  
Time: 9:00am - 4:00pm  
Location: Evergreen Lodge  
250 S. Frontage Road West  
Vail, CO 81657
Topics: Grit Removal, Eagle River Watershed, SCADA, DMR Review, Valves, Phosphorous and Metal Removal

Information: Visit website

Action Now
Date: Thursday, October 23rd
Time: 8:00am-4pm
Location: Otero Junior College
1802 Colorado Ave.
La Junta, CO 81050
Registration: See website

Young Professionals Bronco's Social
Date: Thursday, October 23rd
Time: 5:30pm
Location: Wynkoop Brewing Company
1634 18th St.
Denver, CO
RSVP: Ashley Lessig

Certification Exam Workshop - Distribution Level 4
Date: Thursday, November 6th
Time: 8:00am - 5:00pm
Location: Westminster Municipal Services Center
6675 W. 88th Avenue
Westminster, CO 80031
Details and Registration: Visit website!

Miscellaneous

Save the Date for the RMWEA Biosolids Committee's 2014 Annual Workshop
The RMWEA Biosolids Committee is hosting its 2014 Annual Workshop, "Biosolids - How Will Our Gardens Grow?" on November 13, 2014. The workshop will be held at the Red Lion Hotel Denver Southeast, 3155 South Vaughn Way, Aurora CO 80014. A detailed workshop agenda and registration information can be found on their website.

Contribute to Rumbles Today!
Rumbles, a publication of the RMSAWWA/WEA Section, is looking for content for its 2015 issues. If interested in writing for Rumbles, contact the head editor Lacey Williams or visit the website for submission guidelines and deadlines.

e-Blast does not accept paid advertising. Submit e-Rumbles and e-Blast requests at this link. Please respect the rules provided on the request page, which include:

1. One week notice prior to E-blast submissions. Editors can deny requests when time frame is not respected.

2. E-Rumbles submissions for each new month are due by the 25th of the prior month. Any submissions received after the 25th are subject to rejection.

The purpose of these rules is to respect the time of the volunteers working on the publications, but also to protect the membership from receiving too many messages in a short period of time (i.e. spam). Please help us to do a great job
Hi outgoing and incoming Prez's. As you may be aware I am the NWEA Publications Chair. Brian Gongol is my counterpart on the NeAWWA side. AWWA dropped the local publications so NeAWWA was forced to fend for itself on Wise Water Words. Luc Billesbach got way out of the box and wondered if it made sense to combine the Effluent Line with Wise Water Words since AWWA/NWEA seem to get along well. There are a few compelling reasons to do that and some not so compelling. I called Brian and we talked through it a bit.

Pro:
- Certainly the "all things water" idea would make some sense.
- Ads could be combined. Maybe Jon can weigh in on ad revenues? Would advertisers like w/ww ads in one document at a slightly higher fee to reach more audience? Not sure.
- We would get the larger NWEA committee participation in gaining water content as well since many work in both water and wastewater.
- It would result in a larger document and likely have more robust content.
- NWEA printing/mailing costs could be distributed.
- Brian’s time would be reduced to gathering content instead of gathering and producing.
Con:

- It seems likely AWWA costs would be higher than current costs because there are no costs for NeAWWA mailing/publishing. NWEA printing costs are around $2k per edition plus mailing. I have been told this is largely covered by advertisement but not sure if all of it is covered.
- Some might say they do not want to send member content to someone who is not a member. For example, larger muni's might have only an AWWA membership since they only do water or vice versa.
- NWEA sends around 675 hard copy mailings and also publishes on the web.
- NeAWWA does only electronic publication and has 340+ members. Cost would have to be distributed somehow.

Anyway, Brian and I thought it was worth having a discussion at Fall Conference. Or, if consensus is we like it how it is, we can stop discussing it. It's ok with us, either way. Thoughts?

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Committee: Proposed Total Water Solutions (ad-hoc)  Date: October 2014

Chair: TBD

Total Members: _  Active Members: _

Executive Board Liaison: ___

List of Active Members:

When and where has the committee met in the past year (include conference calls):

Proposed changes in committee membership:

Deliverables/Activities:

How might the Executive Board assist your Committee in accomplishing its work?

Plans/Projects for upcoming year:

Budget Request for 2015 (include a short justification)

$200

Other Items

Please return to Rick Melcher - emelcher@cityofaurora.org
by Oct. 31st, 2014 before Fall Conference Board Meeting
**NEBRASKA SECTION OF AMERICAN WATER WORKS**  
**2014 NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE SLATE OF CANDIDATES**

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* When Jim Shields vacates Trustee position there will be an open or vacant Trustee position at conclusion of the Fall Conference.

**SLATE OF CANDIDATES FOR NOMINATION TO TRUSTEE**  
**(Effective November 2014)**

- Milo Rust – Continued term until November 2015
- Brittney Travers – Filling vacant Trustee position. New term starts November 2014
- Mary Poe – Renew two year term. New term starts November 2014
- David Lathrop – Past Chair starts term in November 2014
- Marc Rosso – Available alternate for Trustee position if a vacancy exists

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