

Association of Ohio Recyclers Board Meeting Minutes

Date: May 18, 2021

Location: Zoom Meeting

Attending were: Brad Petry, Matthew Hittle, John Woodman, Michael Darling, Jason Radtke, Lisa Beursken, Abby Vickers, Taylor Greely, Christi Donor, Erin Oulton, Molly Kathleen and Carol Giulitto.

Call to Order: John called the meeting to order at 10:38 a.m.

Minutes for the April 20, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Carol moved to approve the April 20, 2021 meeting minutes. Erin seconded the motion. Minutes were approved on voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report for the previous month was presented and discussed. A motion to approve the treasurer's report for April was made by Brad. Michael seconded the motion. The treasurer's report was approved by voice vote.

Jason agreed to take the action items for today's meeting.

Action Items from last month's meeting:

John – will keep communication open with ORC. John attended a meeting in the past month, and will continue to keep in touch

All – revisit the conversation regarding grant/scholarship for next month's meeting. Will discuss today.

Carol – will reach out to student memberships from last year. Did not do this.

Molly – will look for email she sent to university students and forward to board members. Done.

Molly/Erin – will update the website with photo and Bio for new board member Christi. Done.

Matt – will follow up regarding the titles for the workshops at partners conference on Wednesday. Done.

Carol – will contact CleanLites and see if she can get an address to mail a check to Timothy Kimmel's family as a donation from AOR. Will do this.

Brad - follow up to see if there is any information regarding Allen Hale memorial so that AOR can make a donation. Done. Donation will go to the Peace Corps. He will get the details to Carol and CC the family.

Brad – will include Christi on the next email meeting invite list. Done. John sent a new member packet as well.

Committee Updates

Governance Committee – Nothing to report

Strategic Planning – The concept of offering grants and/or scholarships was discussed. The amount allocated for this has not been determined. It was indicated that the goal of adding value to our membership base should be the priority when developing such a program. The idea of having a grant program to support clean-up or zero-waste events was brought up as well. The strategic planning

committee will meet and discuss this concept [action item].

Relating to the outreach to add free student memberships, it was also discussed to see what the goal is in doing so. The idea of adding a non-voting student member on the Board was mentioned.

Events and Programming – Relating to the Partner’s Conference, the agenda is nearing finalization. The evening events are taking shape as well. Also, the sponsor prospectus is almost finalized.

Communications and Programming– Spring newsletter was distributed. Some brainstorming for the next newsletter was done. Summer newsletter is usually sent out in June. Montgomery County’s Styrofoam events was mentioned as a feature story. Also mentioned was the expansion of the Evergreen recycling – they are a member.

Finance – No updates outside the report. It was mentioned that two members will be removed since they did not pay their dues.

New Business/Round Table Updates

John related to his recent attendance at the ORC meeting. It featured a number of speakers.

Matt mentioned the potential for drop-off contamination projects to be done by Ohio EPA. This would be similar to the projects performed with different curbside projects in the past couple of years.

Other updates were provided on Montgomery County’s Styrofoam collection program and the contamination project to be done in the City of Lorain.

Next Meeting: June 15, 2021, 10:30AM-12:00PM, via Zoom Meeting

Adjourned at 11:52 PM.

Submitted by Matthew Hittle, Secretary, Association of Ohio Recyclers