

## Association of Ohio Recyclers Board Meeting Minutes

**Date:** November 20, 2018

**Location:** Rumpke, 476 East Fifth Avenue, Columbus, OH 43201

**Attending were:** Matthew Hittle, Molly Kathleen, John Woodman, and Taylor Greeley. On Phone: Tiffany Barker, Carol Giulitto, Tim Kimmel, and Maria Ortiz. Also present were ORAO representatives Jim Skora, Steve Mack, and Jason Ziss.

**Call to Order:** Molly called the meeting to order at 10:34 a.m.

**Minutes for the October 16, 2018 meeting** were reviewed. Tiffany moved to approve the October 17, 2018 meeting minutes. Carol seconded the motion. Minutes were approved on voice vote.

**Treasurer's Report:** The treasurer's report for the previous month was presented by Carol and discussed. There are two pending payments that are not reflected in the reports – a deposit for the Partner's Conference and the payment for our PO Box. A motion to approve the treasurer's report for October was made by Matt. Taylor seconded the motion. The treasurer's report was approved by voice vote.

### Action Items from last month's meeting:

Molly:

- Follow up with ORAO about interest in merger - done
- Reach out to Michael about attending Strategic Planning meeting beginning of next year - He has agreed to be there.

John

- Wichert insurance follow up – Language changed to reflect assistant treasurer rather than an executive director.
- Send PowerPoint from previous members meeting - done

Matt:

- Contact board members that will be a part of the next election – done. Waiting on two to respond.
- Check with the state library for December meeting availability – only the smaller rooms are available

MaryEllen

- Remove previous board members from Google Drive - done

Lauren

- Export survey results and send to board members - done

Molly volunteered to take the action items from today's meeting.

### **Board Recruitment**

No updates

### **Committee Updates**

Governance Committee – Matt will work with Laruen to create the survey/ballot for Board Elections to send out to the membership [action item].

Communications and Programming – The Fall newsletter still needs to be sent out so we can promote the December member's meeting [action item]. We need to include a call for people interested in joining the Board.

Events – There was discussion about the Annual Member's Meeting. It was suggested to have the meeting at Iacono's for a pizza buffet. It was indicated that some had a conflict with the December 18<sup>th</sup> date. Molly will send out a doodle poll to check availability for a couple different dates [action item].

Relating to the 2019 Partners Conference, they confirmed they are having it at the Holiday Inn in Canton on September 16-17, 2019. We should do a save the date notification for the conference soon (in the newsletter).

Finance – No discussion beyond the reports presented.

Strategic Planning – A retreat is planned for our January meeting, likely at GT Environmental's new offices. Molly will include a doodle poll for the date of the retreat when she sends out the one for the annual meeting [action item].

### **New Business**

A lengthy discussion was held with ORAO Board members to discuss the similar challenges faced by both of the organizations. The potential for a merger of the organization was a part of the discussion as well as ways the two groups could collaborate. Ideas that could be considered included comparing memberships lists and the possibility of having reciprocal memberships. It was suggested that if there is mutual interest, an exploratory committee could be formed to further the discussion next year.

**Next Meeting:** Annual membership meeting in December, 2018 – date to be determined by doodle poll.

**Adjourned at 11:48 am.**

Submitted by Matthew Hittle, Secretary, Association of Ohio Recyclers