

Association of Ohio Recyclers Board Meeting Minutes

Date: August 20, 2024

Location: Matthew 25 Ministries (Blue Ash)

Attending: *John Woodman, Michael Darling, Erin Oulton, Molly Kathleen, Jake Heffron, Mike Hall, Robert Kurtz, Chris Talarek, Emily Walker, Jeff Montavon, Dan Johnson, Katy Rees, Sheila Davis, Carol Guillito,*

Call to Order: John Woodman called the meeting to order at 10:10 am

Minutes from the July 2024 Meeting: July Meeting Minutes were reviewed and approved. Jacob Heffron motioned for approval; Emily Walker seconded the motion. Minutes were approved unanimously by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report for the month of July was presented by Mike Hall. Michael Darling motioned for approval of Treasurer's Report. Molly Kathleen seconded the motion. Minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

Action Items:

John Woodman – Follow up with ROC.

Molly Kathleen – Work with Creative Design to come up an improved artistic promotional campaign.

(Chris Talarek – Set up tour of Pure Cycle for 2025)

Michael Darling – Reach out to Interstate Batteries for speaker at Workshop.

All Members – Join subcommittees for 2025 Partner's Conference

John Woodman – Link with AORPLP and KOB for Partner's Conference.

Old Business: None

Committee Update:

Strategic Planning –Nothing to report.

Communications Committee – Molly sent reminders regarding AOR Conference and Save the Date for Matthew 25 Ministries Tour.

Governance and Legislation –Met regarding the Code of Regulations, and will update in the future.

Events and Programming – Molly Kathleen secured deposit for Retreat 21 for October 15th conference. Setting up in person meeting with coordinator to ensure event is smoothly executed. Erin Oulton and Molly Kathleen will meet with venue for planning. Contract has been signed.

John signed an MOU with Keep America Beautiful and OARPLP to provide a three way partnership for the next Partner's Conference.

Finance – No updates.

Membership Development Committee – Focusing on Solid Waste Districts and Municipalities. Has agreed to meet independently once per month. Committee set up Google Drive Contact List and fliers starting with Solid Waste Districts.

New Business: -Erin discussed and confirmed six of eight speakers for AOR Fall Workshop. All slots were filled except for two. Focus on "Hard to Recycle" items including batteries. Discussed possibility of Grant Recipients speaking about AOR grant. Discussed non-members paying a nominal fee to cover food and put towards membership. Three of Six speakers are non-members...Do they pay to attend workshop? No, but can also bring a plus 1. Discussed when to create the link to workshop on AOR website. Send "Save the Date" out to current members after Labor Day. Non-members attending with current members can pay to attend or join at that time (?) Requested an official headcount by October 1st.

Erin Oulton discussed 2025 Partner's Conference. Is looking at Northern Ohio location for member recruitment. AOR has not been actively recruiting Northern Ohio for several years.

Introductions:

Roundtable Updates

– Carol Guillito discussed Resource Recycling Conference in Louisville. Group will discuss at September meeting regarding who goes.

Erin Oulton – Is one of three finalists for SWANA....Recycling Professional of the Year?

John Woodman – Montgomery is sponsoring the first ever Zero Waste Event at Dayton Dragons.

Chris T – Million pounds of recyclable polypropylene. Material received from Rumpke are pristine.

Jeff Montovan – Hired a new planner.

Meeting Adjourned: Jacob Heffron motioned to adjourn at 10:47 AM; Mike Hall seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned proceeding to a tour of Pratt Industries.

September Meeting – **Scheduled for September 17 at Dublin.**