

Association of Ohio Recyclers Board Meeting Minutes

Date: November 16, 2021

Location: Conference Call/Zoom Meeting

Attending: John Woodman, Brad Petry, Abby Vickers, Michael Darling, Molly Kathleen, Taylor Greely, Carol Guilitto, Erin Oulton, Jason Radtke, Matthew Hittle, and Tiffany Barker.

Call to order: John called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

Minutes for the October 2021 meeting: Minutes were reviewed. Brad moved to approve the 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 and discussed. Brad moved to accept the Treasurer's Report for October. Abby seconded the motion. Treasures Report was approved on voice vote.

Action Items from last month's meeting:

Matt:

- Schedule communication & governance meeting. Need to do.

Molly:

- Reach out to Athens Hocking district about AOR membership. No response
- Reach out to Amanda with Republic about becoming a potential board member. We will wait until later in 2022

Jason:

- schedule meeting for strategic planning committee. It happened

John:

- Reach out to Michelle from Hamilton County about becoming a board member. Yes
- Reach out to Ken from Eco Development about AOR membership and board member potential. Need to do.

Carol:

- Reach out to Cuyahoga County about board member interest. They are not interested.

Communication/Events committee:

- Put together flyer for upcoming annual meeting. Needs to happen.

Erin agreed to record the action items from the meeting.

Committee Updates:

Strategic Planning - The group discussed the draft grant application that had been emailed by John. Some minor tweaks were suggested. Brad made a motion to fund a grant program for 2022 NTE \$5,000. John seconded the motion. Motion passed on voice vote. A finalized version of the application will be sent out to the board prior to the December meeting.

Governance Committee – An online ballot was created for 2022-2023 board elections. Matt will send the link to Molly to distribute to our members list ASAP [action item]. Officer positions were discussed as well. These will be voted on at the members meeting.

Communications and Programming – a flyer/email for the upcoming annual members meeting will be sent out to the membership [action item].

Events and Programming – The tour of Ohio Stadium was confirmed for our Annual Members meeting, to be held December 7th. A draft agenda would look like this:

10:00 meet at gate
10:15-11:00 presentation and board meeting
11-12 lunch
12-1 tour Ohio Stadium's zero waste efforts

It was indicated that a zoom link will be provided, and Brad will send it to Molly to include in the invite [action item].

Finance- nothing to report. Committees should think about their 2022 budgetary needs soon.

Round Table Discussions:

It was indicated that funds are still available for conferences. The Nation Zero Waste conference is coming on December 8-9. Interested participants should email John.

Carol related to her recent electronics collections at ReWorks. Costs for freight have gone up significantly, even with contracts.

Pratt indicated that their new mill in Henderson, KY will be opening soon. Freight costs and a trailer shortage is affecting their business as well.

Rumpke indicated that new robotics have been incorporated into their Cincinnati MRF. Driver shortage continues to be a problem.

Michael related to Dublin's pumpkin collections using roll-offs. Six and half tons were collected.

Next Meeting: December 7 at Ohio Stadium and via Zoom

Adjourned at 11:55 am.

Submitted by Matthew Hittle, Secretary, Association of Ohio Recyclers