

## **Association of Ohio Recyclers Board Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** March 15, 2022

**Location:** Dublin Service Center, 6555 Shier Rings Rd., Dublin OH 43016

**Attending:** John Woodman, Abby Vickers, Molly Kathleen, Erin Oulton, Carol Giulitto, Matthew Hittle, Mary Copenbaker, Brad Petry, and Michael Darling

**Call to order:** John called the meeting to order at 10:11 am.

**Minutes for the February 2022 meeting:** Minutes were reviewed. Michael made a motion to approve the February minutes. Brad 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 January. Abby seconded the motion. Treasurer's Report was approved on voice vote. Balance is getting high and we need to spend it

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

Brad: continue to research AOR foundation. Need to do by next meeting. Matt will ask Marie Barnett about potential for applying for grants.

Michael: Send address of Dublin offices to Brad for the March meeting. done

Brad: Create a press release for waste publications promoting the new AOR Grant. done

Molly/Erin: update website for the new student member. done

Matt: host Communications committee to strategically plan for adding universities as members. done

Matt/Molly/John: update matrix email addresses. Need to do.

John: explain to ORC membership in the AOR and when and how dues are due. Will do when opportunity arises.

John: send Brandy Snell's bio. She is on the OALPRP board which has conflicts with our meeting dates. Suggest was to reach out see if she would serve on committees.

Molly: Follow up with Amanda at Republic. She did not reply back to an email.

Matt: provide Brad news outlets to Brad for press release. Done.

Michael agreed to record the action items from the meeting.

### **Committee Updates:**

n/a

### **Old/New Business:**

There was an update given on the outreach regarding the new university and college membership category. Additional conversation was about getting the college/university emails out

The tri-fold still needs to be updated to remove KAB reference [action item].

There was discussion about how to we need to spend some the group's money as the account balance can't be too high. Pull down displays was recommended as well as sponsoring lunches at tours. This led to further discussion about the potential for AOR to bring information to tabling events. Midwest regional sustainability summit (at Xavier University this year) is in June. Brad was interested in participating. It was also suggested we could purchase some AOR "swag". The potential for logo redesign was brought up. Communications will meet soon and invite all board members [action item].

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the 2023 Partner's Conference has been drafted already. Carol made a motion to sign the MOU. Molly seconded the motion. Motion passed on voice vote.

### Board positions

Taylor Greely resigned in an email dated March 14, 2022. Two new individuals were recommended to fill vacancies on the board and their bios were shared with the group. They were:

Sarah Neltner, Rumpke Recycling. Position representing recycling business expiring 12/31/22.

Ken Lewis, EcoDevelopment. Position representing Special Waste expiring 12/31/23.

John moved to appoint Sarah and Ken to the positions noted. Michael seconded the motion, which was passed on voice vote.

### Additional Discussion

Molly to send out reminder about grant deadline April 1<sup>st</sup>. The deadline will likely be extended.

Potential 2022 tour ideas were brainstormed. This included Pratt Industries, Matthew 25 ministries, Cincinnati Zoo Digester. Also, there was discussion about Kings Island and their sustainability efforts. It was mentioned that the group could make an effort to reach out to Ohio's zoos for potential membership opportunities.

It was also brought up that there may be potential for over 100 people on the Rumpke webinar April 4<sup>th</sup>. Also, Matt needs to send information to the NRC [action item].

**Next Meeting:** April 19th, in-person. Plan for a longer in-person. Meeting 10-12 so we can do some strategic planning.

**Adjourned at 11:15 am.**

Submitted by Matthew Hittle, Secretary, Association of Ohio Recyclers