

Minutes of the IAFSM Board of Directors Meeting November 10, 2010

The November 2010 meeting of the Board of Directors for the Illinois Association for Floodplain and Stormwater Managers was held at the Lisle Police Department on November 10, 2010. Those attending the meeting included:

Emily Anderson	Erik Gil	Bob Murdock	Matt Wahl
Andrew Braun	Sarah Harbaugh	Paul Osman	Jeff Wickenkamp
Kerry Behr	Mary Lou Kalsted	Lillian Prince	Loren Wobig
Mike Cothard	Thomas Kehoe	Terry Reuss Fell	
Ron Davis	Jennifer Maercklein	Stu Richter	

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:29 a.m. by Jeff Wickenkamp.

1.1 CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from KidZeum to acknowledge receipt of donation.

2.0 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Mike Cothard to approve the September 15, 2010 meeting minutes. Loren Wobig seconded the motion and the motion carried.

3.0 OFFICER REPORTS

3.1 TREASURER'S REPORT – Loren Wobig

Treasurer Loren Wobig distributed the latest account balance summary, including the checking, savings and CDs. The overall balance of the accounts is currently \$69,120.98 with assets totaling \$172, 190.93. Loren requested the Board to submit FY2011 budget changes to him by the end of 2010, so that he can prepare a preliminary budget for consideration at the January meeting. Also, Loren talked to our accountant/tax preparer, Alan Kolosh, about grants. Grants upward of \$300,000 will require audits. Jeff Wickenkamp moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, Mike Cothard seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

3.2 OTHER OFFICERS

Stu Richter plans to present 25th anniversary year plaques at the annual conference in March.

Lillian Prince reported on the All-Chapters Websites Conference Call that took place on October 21, 2010. Representing the Illinois Chapter, Sally McConkey and Lillian participated on the call. Items discussed included key features and functions that individual chapters are offering on their websites. Lillian proposed a Website Survey be sent to the membership to gather input on website features that are important to IAFSM members. Lillian will draft this Survey for Board review. She also requested that the Board and Committees review the website and provide her comments on its structure, content and visual appeal.

4.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

4.1 CRS COMMITTEE – Mary Lou Kalsted, Chair

Mary Lou Kalsted reported on the October 28, 2010 CRS Users Group meeting. The meeting was held in Ottawa, and attendance was high. The group discussed scoring of several CRS activities, and Paul Osman spoke about substantial damage issues. In comparing the CRS User Group membership to IAFSM membership lists, it appears that around two-thirds of the CRS Users Group members are now IAFSM members. The group

wants to meet next at the IAFSM conference in Bloomington in March 2011, and Mary Lou will work with Mike Cothard to arrange a session aimed at CRS Committee members but open to all. Mary Lou also mentioned that a representative of the Oklahoma state floodplain management chapter called to inquire about setting up a CRS Users Group similar to what we have done in Illinois.

- 4.2 CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE – Matt Wahl, Chair**
No report.
- 4.3 LEGISLATION COMMITTEE – Kay Whitlock, Chair**
No report.
- 4.4 NEWSLETTER – Jennifer Maercklein, Chair**
Jennifer Maercklein reported that the fall newsletter has been sent out and items for the winter newsletter are due on December 17th.
- 4.5 EDUCATION OUTREACH COMMITTEE – Amanda Flegel, Chair**
No report.
- 4.6 FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE – Erik Gil, Chair**
Erik Gil reported that the Floodplain Management Committee will be hosting the IDNR “rules and regulations” dinner seminar on November 10th. Erik presented the seminar budget to the Board and mentioned that 77 people have signed up to attend.
- 4.7 STORMWATER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE – Bob Murdock, Chair**
Bob Murdock reported that the Stormwater Management Committee will be hosting a seminar tonight. An NPDES Rule-making seminar at Marcello’s Father and Son Restaurant will cost participants \$40, and the announcement has been sent out. A WinSLAMM class is being explored for perhaps a one-day workshop in late January.
- 4.8 MITIGATION COMMITTEE – Terry Reuss Fell, Chair**
Terry Reuss Fell respectfully resigned her position, but she will continue to help. She has a list of possible Committee Chair replacements for the Board to consider.
- 4.9 WETLANDS COMMITTEE – Tom Kehoe, Chair**
No report.
- 4.10 NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE – Paul Osman, Chair**
Elections are coming up and Paul is accepting nominations.
- 4.11 AWARDS COMMITTEE – Paul Osman, Chair**
Paul Osman and Stu Richter are working on awards for the next annual conference.
- 4.12 INTER-ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE– Kerry Behr, Chair**
Kerry Behr has been continuing to communicate with APA and ASLA about distributing the IAFSM newsletter to their members. She will try to set up a session at the conference or a pre-conference workshop on NIMS and would like to extend an invitation also to local IESMA members to attend.
- 4.13 YOUTH OUTREACH COMMITTEE – Andrew Braun, Chair**
Andrew Braun stated that Northwestern University wishes to extend their grant project contract without further funding in order to write their final report. A request for proposal for a 2011 Youth Outreach Grant is scheduled to be released on November 12. The University of Illinois may make another proposal. There was discussion on perhaps extending a larger grant amount to fewer projects in the future.

4.14 ANNUAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE – Mike Cothard, Chair

Mike Cothard reminded all that the annual conference is booked for March 8-10, 2011 at the Bloomington-Normal Marriot. Presentation abstracts have been received. Mike Cothard distributed the abstracts and presented a draft conference schedule for consideration and editing by the Board. The Board discussed the schedule, potential future speakers, and conference logistics. Mike will assign session moderators and send instructions soon.

Just like last year, on the day before the conference, “pre-conference” seminars will be offered. They will be just like other seminars offered by IAFSM throughout the year, and conference attendance will not be required in order to attend the pre-conference seminars. There will be separate registration for the pre-conference seminars.

5.0 OLD BUSINESS

5.1 KidZeum Construction Update

Loren Wobig reported that a portion of the IAFSM donation to KidZeum will be used to provide a "local" match for further IEMA disaster mitigation outreach grant funding to KidZeum from IEMA. After KidZeum is constructed and operating, we should make a video of it to share with our membership.

5.2 Website Enhancements

Jeff Wickenkamp talked to a company about possibilities for enhancing our website to become a much more educational resource. IEMA is a possible source of grant money for the website. Tulsa, Ft. Wayne and Maricopa County, Arizona have websites that were suggested for review of their approach and content. Stu Richter suggested to Jeff that he take on this project after he becomes Past Chair.

6.0 NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Legislature Briefing

The Board will talk with Kay Whitlock, Legislation Committee Chair, on arranging IAFSM attendance at a meet-and-greet with legislators.

7.0 RATIFICATION

Jeff Wickenkamp moved to ratify and affirm all delegated and authorized acts of the Board of Officers, Chairs and staff for and on behalf of the Association. Mary Lou Kalsted seconded the motion and the motion carried.

8.0 ADJOURNMENT

Jeff Wickenkamp moved to adjourn the meeting of the IAFSM Board. Mike Cothard seconded the motion and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

The next IAFSM Board Meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. (to end at 1:00 p.m.) on Wednesday, January 12, 2010 at the Lisle Police Department, 5040 Lincoln Avenue, Lisle, Illinois.

Respectively submitted,

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IAFSM Board Secretary