

Draft Minutes  
LSRPA Board of Trustees Conference Call  
March 26, 2015  
8:30 – 10 am

**ROLL CALL**

S. Boyle, S. Posten, R. Ferguson, J. Oberer, S. Drew, K. Stetser, L. Voyce, D. Toder, M. Fisher, Bill Call. S. Posten, C. Barnes and L. Watson joined later. S. Senior not on call

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

- Delegation of signature authority for non-financial documents for scholarships to Chair of Scholarship Committee

Voted upon and approved.

- NJ Builders Association: V-CEA issue status; comments, prep?

S. Boyle working on comments to NJBA and will submit them within the next two to three weeks. S. Posten will identify a point person within each group to pull comments together. S. Posten noted that our position remains the same...we will not give NJBA a letter of recommendation, but offer to participate in the process. He noted that letters of recommendation should come from redevelopment groups throughout the state.

- Fuel Merchants: Request for participation in stakeholder process to revise EPH guidance

S. Boyle reported that N. DeRose, J. Oberer and R. Ferguson volunteered to assist in this effort.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- Distribution of Business Magazine section, especially OP Ed and distribution to DEP

S. Posten discussed distribution of magazine. S. Boyle will have copies available at Monday's meeting and will blast copies to LSRPA membership on Tuesday. Please send names to S. Boyle of those individuals who should receive copies and we should meet. No comments on the OP Ed page have been received.

- Status of January 30<sup>th</sup> cocktail reception

S. Boyle noted that no one has volunteered to sponsor the beverages; although GZA will consider. If a volunteer is not identified, should the LSRPA pay for the alcohol, the concern being liability. Further discussion after receiving response from GZA.

- Mediators for LSRP disputes – decision? Included on LinkedIn? Issue raised by Jim Valenti from GZA to K. Stetser and Environmental Law class

S. Boyle reported that the Risk Management Committee is looking into a technical consultation subcommittee, along with opportunities of mediating disputes. Risk Management will give

recommendations on how to deal with this topic to the BOT for its review and approval. S. Posten suggested a section on the LSRPA webpage, but don't provide affiliation with the LSRPA.

- Conference

S. Boyle reported that the issue is being discussed by S. Drew, D. Hoffman, P. Brilliant and T. Toskos.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

- Meeting minutes – Motion made by C. Barnes and seconded by J. Oberer, voted in favor by BOT to approve February Steering Committee minutes. L. Watson will have S. Danyew post on website.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

- J. Oberer and R. Ferguson will meet to transition Treasurer responsibilities.

### **HOT TOPICS**

- Reauthorization of Standards Rule – S. Drew

Committee is going through the rule language. DEP promised flexibility, which we have not seen. This is a concern that may need to be included in discussion with Assistant Commissioner Pedersen. Stakeholders offered edits to the definitions. S. Drew explained that once DEP issues a final version, there is no further opportunity to discuss the changes. Discussion can be held on a new topic. The next meeting is April 15, and the chapters for discussion have not yet been distributed. It is clear from a regulatory standpoint that the DEP, not the stakeholders, has responsibility to write the rule. R. Ferguson noted that DEP promised flexibility in the narrative. We did not interpret that to mean that the flexibility would be in the alternative remediation standards, which are not cross-referenced, but in the rule itself.

S. Drew noted that 15 edits to definitions were offered and there are some we absolutely need to include. S. Posten reported on discussing the concept of background in vapor with Assistant Commissioner Pedersen, since the vapor standards are being addressed, and he seemed responsive. We need to identify items that need to be discussed with him. Send your suggested items for discussion with Assistant Commissioner Pedersen to S. Boyle today. Currently, S. Posten, K. Stetser, S. Drew, S. Senior, M. Fisher and J. Oberer are attending.

### **COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE**

- Proceed with Newsletter?  
L. Voyce has no problem with hiring an editor, just keep K. Goldstein and her informed. S. Boyle commented that the individual would be a freelance writer, not necessarily an editor. S. Posten emphasized that the individual must be knowledgeable about the LSRP program, with limited input from us. L. Voyce's concern is that we may spend money on something that may fall flat. The Communications Committee would want to be engaged in what the individual is doing and review the material. S. Boyle suggested that the Communications Committee brainstorm on alternatives, the best way to communicate and report back to the Board. The Risk Management Committee should be involved in this endeavor. Changes to the eblasts were discussed, such as more frequency and include more content. We need to use eblasts to get information out to our members. It has been difficult getting material for the Tools of the Trade.

S. Boyle reported that a member of the Steering Committee suggested a freelance writer, who is a recent graduate. Reach out to Colleen O'Day who worked on the magazine article. B. Alter sent a recommendation and R. Ferguson sent the name of someone to edit. Additional recommendations from the Board were requested. Should a quarterly newsletter be envisioned?

Discuss topic during Steering Committee meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Course Status

-- Environmental Forensics and Practical Applications of Petroleum Hydrocarbon Chemistry – Submitted to Licensing Board. The Forensics course is scheduled for June 23 and Practical Applications and Chemistry for September.

--David Hoffman is preparing the application for a survey course.

--Joe Torlucci is working on GIS course.

--D. Toder and B. Alter are completing the application for a PA/SI course. B. Alter is the instructor. A half-day and full-day course session is planned.

S. Boyle reported on the March 25-26 course as well as the GIS hands-on course, which will be scheduled for either May 11 or 12 and taught by two Rutgers professors.

She also reported on the Application of Thermal Remediation in New Jersey, scheduled for May 14. This is a half-day course, approved by the Licensing Board.

- EBC LSRP Practitioner Forum

This forum is held every other month, with the next scheduled for April 22 at the Wilentz law firm.

Senator Smith will start discussion on SRRA 2.0. Currently K. Stetser and J. Oberer are attending. If you are interested in attending, contact Erin \_\_\_\_\_ immediately, although the meeting may only be open to EBC members. S. Posten suggested that it would be good to have both Vice Presidents at the meeting. R. Ferguson suggested scheduling a conference call with individuals attending the EBC meeting and place on April 16 Steering Committee agenda.

Call ended at 9:40 am.