

Meeting Minutes
LSRPA Board of Trustees Conference Call
November 14, 2013
1:30 – 3 pm

ROLL CALL

K. Goldstein, C. Barnes, J. Davies, J. Oberer, B. Call, D. Toder, L. Voyce , S. Boyle, R. Ferguson, S. Senior, S. Posten, M. Fisher, N. DeRose, L. Watson

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

K. Goldstein suggested using the same format as in the past for the Annual Meeting and will circulate the agenda from last year's meeting.

Nominating Committee finished deliberations on candidates to fill 2014 Board of Trustee positions and the successful candidates will be selected by the Board of Trustees after the December Steering Committee meeting, with the slate presented to membership at the Annual Meeting.

Mark Pedersen, Assistant Commissioner for Site Remediation, the Licensing Board representative and Chair of each major LSRPA Committee will give a five-minute presentation. An official invite will be extended to Mark Pedersen as well as Joann Held of the Licensing Board. K. Goldstein, S. Boyle and S. Posten will develop an agenda. The outgoing President will give the opening remarks, then turn the meeting over to the incoming President.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Update on December 4 Ethics Course

S. Boyle reported that the upcoming Ethics course is sold out with 155 individuals registered. A conference call for planning purposes will be held with the presenters and panelists next week. The course may be repeated in the first quarter of 2014. Approximately 350 LSRPs will have taken the course at the end of the December 4th session.

It was approved that sponsors can be provided with the names and company affiliations of attendees, but this information must be requested.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

M. Fisher reported that approved minutes from previous 2013 BOT and Steering Committee meetings, as well as Licensing Board minutes were posted on the LSRPA website. Draft minutes from August, September and October BOT and Steering Committee meetings are still outstanding. The goal is to have all minutes approved and posted by the end of the year.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Proposed 2014 Budget

J. Oberer discussed the proposed 2014 budget. The proposed budget includes information through October as well as projections for the year. He reported that historically sponsorships have increased income by \$20,000. By the end of this year, income may reach \$35,000 due to sponsorships. Income from seminars and meetings are usually \$140,000 for the year. Although, this figure is down by half, possibly due to fewer courses. Expenses are on target, except for administrative costs. Seminar expenses are below projections. Income from membership fees is on target as well as fee for Executive Director. Scholarship costs are a new line item added to the proposed budget. There may be \$225,000 in the account by the end of the year.

Discussion is underway to partner with other organizations in holding continuing education courses.

S. Boyle reported that outreach events for PEs and LSRPs will be considered. Membership in the LSRPA may allow for one CEU for the PEs. S. Boyle will schedule a meeting with Dana Haymes to discuss this coordination.

Comments on the proposed budget should be sent to J. Oberer for inclusion in revised projections and actuals for discussion during December Steering Committee meeting.

HOT TOPICS

- Status of RI Deadline Extension discussions

N. DeRose reported that discussion began in late Oct/ early Nov. on language for inclusion in a legislative amendment that would extend the May 2014 RI deadline. A coalition of major industry groups agreed that the initial proposed language was not consistent with what the LSRPA put forward. The amendment requires that person must qualify within 6 months for an extension to be granted. The LSRPA suggests that an extension be granted if a good faith effort to comply was made. Presently, a receptor evaluation, address environmental concerns at the site and securing an LSRP before deadline are needed for a two-year extension. Additional justification is needed for a five-year extension. S. Senior commented that it is a success for the Association that trade groups have agreed to promote our version of the amendment.

The current amendments do not allow the DEP direct oversight discretion, which is harmful to LSRPs. The NJBIA is taking the lead to meet with Senator Smith and include us in order to get amendment sponsors lined up. A very productive meeting was held with Senator Smith, trade groups (Sarah Bluhm and Mike Egerton) DEP and LSRPA representatives to review proposed language. We should learn shortly whether this amendment will move forward in the lame duck session. The next step is to work with the Office of Legal Services using our language and the Senate Environment Committee. DEP is also reportedly preparing amendment language. K. Goldstein will circulate the latest version to BOT.

- LSRP Insurance updates

B. Call reported that LSRP insurance being provided through Dale Group & Falcigno Group. The RM&LP Committee is meeting on November 12th to discuss a path toward possible Association-wide secondary insurance coverage for LSRPs. The intent is to present recommendations to the BOT. Both Dale & Falcigno want to participate. They presently offer pollution reliability and secondary insurance. Dale group is proposing LSRP insurance. The question remains whether the Association should purchase and offer coverage to its members, providing insurance certificates, which could increase the cost of dues. J.

Scagnelli will review policies. Goal is to offer insurance to members at a \$500 premium. Information from both groups should be received shortly. B. Call reported that both plans offer attractive retroactive rates. The Falcigno Group goes back far, whereas the Dale Group is retroactive to temporary license date. Dale group offers a national license remediation policy (MA and CT) but is not the policy originator.

- SRPLB's discussions on LSRP dismissing themselves if the RP isn't likely to meet the 2014 deadline (C. Barnes)

The Licensing Board suggests that LSRPs may have an obligation to dismiss themselves if RP isn't meeting the 2014 deadline. It's a concern, since both the RP and LSRP have different responsibilities. What is the benefit for the LSRP to dismiss themselves?. Another concern is what happens when you are LSRP on a site that the RP is not doing anything. Each site should be looked at independently. Licensing Board does not agree on this issue based upon the discussion the recent Board meetings.

- Northwest Environmental Training Center proposal for partnering with LSRPA (D. Toder)

D. Toder reported that the NWETC conducts technical courses and is eager to partner with us. They want to do work on getting instructors and venues while the Association would register attendees and help at registration desk. They are proposing an 85%/15% split. Most of their courses are two-days, with the first day an introductory course and a more advanced course offered the second day. Next step is to review materials and set up a trial run with one of their courses in the first quarter of 2014. Trial run should be held before signing a contract. D. Toder will contact NWETC to advise that we are considering a draft run.

- Update on IGW Committee Activities (S. Posten)

IGW Committee was formed over a year ago. Revised SPLP to include volatiles was issued in April 2013. Guidance document has not yet been released for other amendments. Attenuation and soil partition guidance documents are updated, but release is not expected until after the November 2013 election. DAF revised from 13 to 20. SESOIL /AT123D models under development, 75 percent complete and may be released in first quarter of 2014. Most important – capping guidance which allows achievement of IGW through capping is under development.

- Montclair State as Continuing Ed Venue - S. Boyle (include in December Steering Comm. Agenda)
- Rowan, too? (include in December Steering Committee agenda).
- Topics for IPSC – J. Oberer

Comments and suggested topics needed by 12 noon tomorrow. J. Davies and S. Senior will comment.