



*New Mexico
Environmental Health
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NMEHA
P.O. Box 27176
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NMEHA Monthly Board Meeting

January 10, 2018

Attendees:

President: Bart Faris

Treasurer: Travis Bowser

Secretary: Sam Frank

Board Members: Kaitlin Greenberg, Ed Fox, Kellison Platero,
and Cecelia Garcia

(Other attendees: Julie Anderson, Melise Taylor, Nick Pederson, Lori Stoller)

Location: Albuquerque City Environmental Health Department, One Civic Plaza, Suite 3023

Meeting Called to Order: 11:04 AM MST

- I. Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve (Bart Faris), motion seconded (Kaitlin Greenberg), motion passes 6 to 0.
- II. Review and Approval of December 13, 2018 Minutes: Motion to approve (motion passes 6 to 0)
- III. **President's Report**
 - a. 2019 Vector Conference – (proposed dates: April 16-17th)
 - i. 8-hr HAZWOPR Refresher course (proposed date: April 15th or 18th)

Discussion:

- Why don't we wait until NMEHA conference to hold training?
- Staff don't want to wait until NMEHA conference to obtain training/certification – To late in the year for some
- Training venue could potentially offer discount for a 3-day reservation vs. 2-day
- Kaitlin was tasked to poll previous vector control conference attendees to gauge interest in holding a course
- 50 people (tentatively) would be interested in taking a HAZWOPPER training currently
- Final decision to hold HAZWOPR course immediately before/after Vector Conference will depend on outcome of poll (Kaitlin), and Education Subcommittee's final decision on venue space (i.e. availability, cost, etc.)

- Other trainings were proposed to be provided at annual NMEHA conference: Fugitive Dust Training (City of Abq, Air Quality Dept); Bart will follow up with this.
 - ii. Venue locations:
 - Marriott Hotel and Conference Center
\$450/day with third day free
Catered food packages are offered
 - UNM Continuing Education Conference Center
\$600/day
No catering provided
 - Albuquerque Marriott (Uptown)
\$300/day
No Catering provided (but lots of food locations in Uptown)
 - Other locations proposed: Hotel Albuquerque, Indian Pueblo Cultural Center, Andaluz, Marriott Courtyard
 - iii. Agenda:
 - Nick will talk with Mark DiMenna to see about CEU/PDH reciprocity with attendees from outside states
 - Nick and Melise will be updating speakers/presentations
 - Presentation to address climate change was proposed
 - Presenter/speaker costs for lodging/travel will be covered by NMEHA (if needed/requested)
 - Melise and Nick will put together agenda and provide a finalized version by **COB 02/01/19**.
 - iv. Registration:
 - Will be conducted through NMEHA website
 - Will be opened up to attendees from outside states (i.e. CO, UT, AZ, TX, etc.)
 - Will have a two tier cost: members and non-members
- b. Review Committee Duties

IV. Committee Reports/Updates

a. Auditing:

- Travis Bowser, Shannon BlueEyes and Antoinette Toya will conduct a routine audit of NMEHA expenditures.

b. Education:

- Need to come up with a recommendation of venue location to put forward to the board for vote via email
- Bart, Travis and Sam will get together to figure out location to hold Vector Conference. Venue to be finalized by **COB 01/18/19**.

c. Nominating:

- Need to move forward with voting for President Elect



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- Nominations for NMEHA President Elect include: John Rhoderick (NMED) and Melise Taylor (AEHD)
- Motion made (Bart Faris) to vote for President Elect, motion seconded (Travis Bowser), motion passes 6 to 0.
- Vote in favour of John Rhoderick as NMEHA President Elect (Yea's: 6, Neighs: 0)
NMEHA President Elect: John Rhoderick

d. Membership and Public Relations:

- Several potential NMEHA members from various organizations (both gov. and private) were approached to help build-up committee participation
- Will work to extend NMEHA outreach to university students in environmental related studies
- Put together materials (i.e. Email) to promote NMEHA participation and increase overall membership
- By-laws state we must hold at minimum, one membership drive per year
- Next meeting, committee will have proposed members

e. Professional Advancement Committee:

- Kellison is working on newsletter and tentatively will have it completed by next monthly meeting
- If any of the board members have content they want included in newsletter, send to Kellison (kplatero@bernco.gov)
- Please send training resources to Kaitlin (kgreenberg@cabq.gov) as well, so that she can put together a master list of materials
- Please advertise the 2019 Vector Conference in February newsletter
- Newsletter completion/release date: February

f. Awards and Scholarship Committee:

- Bart reached out to Larry Gordon to see if he would like to be involved with NMEHA activities, his response indicated that he would not due to declining health and age.

g. Other Special Committees (I.T. Committee)

- Kaitlin and Cecelia will be setting up registration on NMEHA website for 2019 Vector Conference
- Kailin will send an email or poll through the website requesting NMEHA membership participation in select committees

Treasurer's Report – Travis Bowser

Checking Account Balance (Beginning/Ending):	\$5346.72
PayPal (Beginning/Ending):	\$614.38

Total: \$5961.10

- Payment was made for Wild Apricot website services in the amount of \$972, monthly service fee \$14.00, State sales tax \$1.10 (12/31/18).

- Still working to transfer remaining balance from PayPal account into checking account.

Secretary's Report – Samuel Frank

- Nothing new to report

Next Meeting: February 14th, 2019 at ABQ Indian Health Center– 801 Vassar Drive NE

Meeting Adjourned: 12:20 PM MST