

American Academy of Sanitarians
Board Meeting
Nov. 20, 2014

Board Members Present:

Bruce Etchison, Vince Radke, Wendell Moore, Gary Noonan

Welcome and Roll Call: 11:30am EST

1. Discussion of Minutes from /October 2014 Meeting- Minutes Approved

2. Treasurer's Report- Gary Noonan

- \$300 received from RADM John Todd.
- Balances for accounts: \$24,888 in checking and \$64,000 in savings

3. Website: There was an issue posting documents from Larry Gordon onto the new Wild Apricot site. A target date for the site to be up and running is still Jan. 1, 2015.

4. By-Laws:

- Chuck sent out an e-mail with the corrected draft of the new By-Laws. There were only a few minor issues needing correction. In section 5.3 the word Director was struck. In section 6.8.2 the word "President" is to be struck in favor of the word "Chair". The date of the IRS reinstatement of the 501 (c)(3) status is still needed at the end of the document. The Board approved final version will be placed upon the website for member review, hopefully by the first of the year. Voting, by the membership, on the new document will need to be conducted at the next Annual Meeting in Orlando, FL.

5. Committees and Sub-committees:

- Vince reviewed the Association's committees and the members thereof. An updated listing of committee members will be compiled and available for eventual posting on the Association website. (see attached)

6. The Board was asked to endorse the EPA's proposed Clean Power Plan. It was discussed by those on the call that an AAS endorsement/support of this proposal may not reflect all the member's views on this potentially controversial issue. Also, concerns about the Association's 501 (c) (3) standing could be affected if such an endorsement were construed as lobbying, which is prohibited by virtue of our IRS status. It was felt by some that a legal interpretation might be in order. Additionally, the lack of emission limits and caps on emissions of CO₂, jurisdiction-specific goals and no coverage under the rules for four EGUs located on Indian Lands raised some questions. Basically, a more extensive reading of the proposed rule would be in order to fully understand what is in it. Thus, the Board members were not fully comfortable making an endorsement at this time.

6. Next Meeting:

- Vince suggested January for the next conference call in light of folks being generally busy during the December holidays. Chuck will be asked to assist with sending out the survey of director's availability and notice of the final date for the January conference call.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:16 pm