



Arizona Association of Environmental Professionals
Monthly Meeting
April 14, 2009
6:00 P.M.
MINUTES

Grimaldi's Pizzeria
4000 N. Scottsdale Rd
Scottsdale, AZ

Attendees: Joe Pinto, Jon Nelson, Nancy Favour, Mike Zorba, Mike Dawson, Mark Turner, Ralph Ellis, Beth Defend, Christine Howard, Diana Stuart, Valerie Swick, Edwina Vogan, Jewel Touchin, Rich Glinski, Stephan Scheuffler.

1. **Call-to-Order** – Joe
 - The meeting was called to order at 6:40 PM
2. **Introduction of Members-** All
 - Members and guests are requested to introduce themselves to the group.
3. **Approval of Minutes** – March 10, 2009 minutes are attached to back of agenda.
 - Motion to Approve: Nancy Favour
 - Second: Mike Dawson
 - The minutes from March 10, 2009 were approved by voice vote, no nays or abstentions
4. **Treasurer Report** – Mike Z
 - General Fund= \$7,308.78
 - MMF= \$2,555.81
 - Distributions. No distributions since last report
5. **Speaker:**
 - **Beth Defend, Environmental Planner, URS**
 - **Sustaining the Environment While Sustaining a Strong Military.**
6. **NAEP National Conference 2009 - Phoenix**

AZAEP is requesting members and volunteers to contact the chairpersons to assist on these various committees and tasks.

 - **Volunteers-** Chair- Ralph Ellis:
 - If you are interested in being a volunteer at the conference please contact Ralph at rellis@swca.com.
 - **Sponsors and Exhibitors-** Co-Chairs Mike Dawson and Greg Wold.
 - No additional sponsors or exhibitors have contacted Mike recently. The advertising cut off is this Friday.
 - **Conference Tours:** Co-Chairs-Valarie Swick and Diana Stuart:
 - Due to a lack of response some of the tours have been eliminated. The Grand Canyon, Gilbert Riparian and US 260 Wildlife corridor tours are still scheduled.
 - **AZAEP needs your help!!** We only need 4 more AZAEP Members to join us at the Conference in order to meet our 40% requirement from NAEP. Please reconsider taking a class or at least attending for one day!
7. **Other Business** – All

- **Scholarship Committee-** Nancy Favour:
 - The committee has received 22 applications. Their goal is to announce the recipients by the July Board meeting.
 - **Newsletter-** Mark Turner
 - Mark is trying to get the newsletter out before the conference. He would like member input for articles, topics or members to submit articles for publication in the newsletter.
 - **Speaker Coordinator:**
 - Mike Zorba and Beth Defend have volunteered to head up this committee. If you know of anyone or if you are interested in giving a presentation, have topics of interest that you would like to hear at a future meeting or want to help them find and line up speakers contact Mike or Beth at mike_zorba@urscorp.com or beth_defend@urscorp.com
 - **Election Committee-**
 - Elections of Board and Officers will be held on May 19, 2009 Jon Nelson is the Election Committee Chair.
 - If you are interested in serving as an Officer or on the Board of Directors for the 2009/2010 year please submit your name and a brief 1-2 paragraph Bio to Jon Nelson - jnelson@oaconsulting.com. To serve as an Officer you must be a member in good standing with both NAEP and AZAEP. At large Board members must be a member in good standing with AZAEP.
 - The Position Description for the Officers and Board of Directors are attached to the back of this agenda.
 - If you are interested in serving as an officer of Board member you must submit your name to the election committee by **April 30, 2009** to be added to the ballot.
- 8. Announcements – None**
- 9. Next Meeting – May 19, 2009-6 PM Grimaldi’s, 4000 N. Scottsdale Rd. Scottsdale**
- Speaker: Andrea Garfinkle-Castro, 2008 AZAEP Scholarship recipient
 - Topic: Culturally Relevant Smart-Growth in the US-Mexico Border region.
- 10. Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM**