

**WGWA Board Meeting-  
Wednesday, July 2, 2003  
Conference Call**

Persons present: Margy Blanchard\*, Boyd Possin\*, Marilyn Weiss\*, Tom Riewe\*, Janis Kesy\*, Brian Hahn\*, Lee Trotta\*(\* via phone)

- I. Call to order about 6:00 pm.
- II. Last meeting minutes (March 31, 2003)- Discussed minutes. Approval to finalize and distribute.
- III. Treasurer's Report –Account currently \$ 17,718.42. To date two registrations for July 25, 2003 hazardous waste seminar. New category scholarships and donations - \$3065 spent.
- IV. Membership Report – As of June 30, 2003 - 326 paid members. Eleven student members. Sixty-two new members as a result of the hazardous waste seminar. There were a number of corporate memberships that dropped.
- V. Old Business
  - Website – discussion on letting people advertise whom are job searching. Set up so confidential. Allow non-WGWA members to post resume on Website – Margy motioned. Marilyn seconded. Boyd will work with Joan on proposal of how to implement.
  - GG Affiliate – How to establish liaisons with existing groups. Some contact has been occurring.
    - Speakers list – topics to offer other GG groups. Ask WGWA members if interested in being on the list – Lee to coordinate.
    - Also possibly asks other GG groups what topics are of interest to them.
    - Possibly offer companies that may have event planning/facilities that they could loan the GG groups.
    - GG committee – involvement in annual GW festival.
    - GW Institute – 2 committee members attended.
  - GW Festival – School day event very successful. Family day low attendance.
  - Education committee – Contacting Universities to get potential interest and looking for support. Positive responses, but also negative responses because students do not go the extra mile. Ideas to break up liaison duties such as divide into regions/subcommittees; go to campuses of students that attended conference and spoke/received awards; newsletter article listing student paper winners; and focus on contacting one campus at a time.
  - April 2003 WGWA Conference – Well attended, excellent presentations. Future strives for higher attendance.
  - May 7 – Hazardous waste seminar. Successful approximately 70 people attended. 3 ½ hour presentation and lot of questions. Offering end of July in

Eau Claire. Accredited for CEC for tank remover/cleaner, site assessors (4 CEC).

- Any ideas for other seminars?
- 2004 Elections – potential candidates? Treasure – Marilyn willing to run again. President-elect – possibility Dave Nemitz? Need election results by end of the calendar year. Need candidates and position papers by end of October.
- At Large Board Members – need to determine if most senior board member wants to continue.

#### VI. New Business

- Newsletter editor – Boyd nominated Lee Trotta for editor, Margy seconded. Time for another newsletter – should be issued quarterly, middle of quarter. Editor responsible for content and quality. Include in newsletter – treasury report, report on conference and student awards.
- 2003 High School conference on the Environment – Dec 10, 2003. Asking for donations of \$1000. GG committee to discuss and bring a recommendation back to the board.
- Reimbursement for certain events. Determination to be made on case by case basis. Need scope and cost, etc. Preapproval by newsletter editor. Guideline limit of \$200. Required to write article on the event for newsletter. Only reimbursed once an article is approved by newsletter article. Margy made motion to approve. Marilyn seconded.
- Fall Field Trip – AIPG is planning a trip to Devils Lake Area in early October. Boyd to contact AIPG and see if they want to have a joint trip. Do we want separate WGWA field trip? Or do what MN AIPG and MGWA do – take turns planning a joint trip.
- Spring 2004 conference? Team with another organization? Who to team with? AIPG, AWRA, DNR, DCOM, WGNHS? Boyd to contact other organizations and see if interested.
- Next meeting September 3, 2003 at 6:30 PM.
- Margy motioned for adjournment. Marilyn seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

VII. Next Board Meeting – 6:30 PM Wednesday September 3, 2003

VIII. Meeting adjourned about 7:50 pm