



Arkansas Basin Roundtable

PLANNING OUR
WATER FUTURE

ROUNDTABLE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

June 14, 2017

Executive Committee Present

Sandy White - Chair
Mark Shea - Vice Chair Cons
Alan Hamel - CWCB

Al Tucker - Recorder
Jeris Danielson - IBCC
SeEtta Moss – Vice Chair Non-Cons

Terry Scanga - IBCC
Jim Broderick - Past Chair

Executive Committee Absent

RT Members Present

Nick Koch
Jay Winner
Chelsey Nutter

Jack Gobel
Gary Barber
Ben Wade

Jeris Danielson
Carol Ekarius
Jack Goble

Minutes/Notes Approval Previous Meeting: Sandy asked if there were any changes or additions to the EC Minutes from May 10, 2017 Executive Committee Meeting hearing none the minutes were approved.

Reoccurring Matters:

- **CWCB – Alan/Ben:** Sandy announced the appointment of Jack Goble as the newly appointed CWCB representative replacing Alan, who is term limited, in this position. The official swearing in will be at the July CWCB meeting that follows the Roundtable meeting therefore, Alan is still our official CWCB representative.
Ben presented the CWCB report on the funding dispersals that will be coming in July. Ben has been working with Chelsey in this regard. There are still some last minute modifications being done. Ben mentioned the CWCB Newsletters and if any of the members have matters they would like to have included they could get this to Ben.
Ben stated that the Joint Roundtable meeting is June 20th and he has copies of the agenda along with RSVP sign-in sheets that will be passed around during the Regular meeting today.
- **IBCC – Jeris Danielson, Terry Scanga:** No Report
- **PEPO – Jean Van Pelt, Chelsey Nutter:** Chelsey offered that the Funding series is continuing. Brochures are available for the Volunteer Flow Program. Several activities regarding Outreach are being developed and presented to various staff organizations. The Documentary is wrapping up and Jean will be taking this on the road to other Basins going forward. Funding is wrapping up for this year with PEPO. Chelsey will be stepping down from PEPO and Jean will be continue as a single coordinator next year.
- **Sub-Committee reports, as necessary**
 - **Needs Assessment Jack, Chelsey, Brett:** Jack confirmed the upcoming Needs Assessment Meeting is scheduled for June 26th at SECWCD to date there are seven grants scheduled. Copies will be emailed to the EC members prior to the meeting. Formalizing NA committee members is still open.
Chelsey pointed out the upcoming disbursements will come in three separate times of 40%, 30% and 30%. This will give us \$160K July first for approved projects. Sandy pointed out that waivers should be addressed due to funding concerns.

Sandy brought up the matter of structure with the NA Committee because of Jack's assignment to the CWCB. The issue being continued continuity. This is decision will rest with Chelsey but it's necessary that it be addressed.

- **Non-consumptive Use – SeEtta Moss:** There will be a non-consumptive meeting coming up concerning various projects.
- **Watershed Health – Mark Shea:** Mark along with Chelsey and Jean held a WFDSS stakeholder meeting on May 23rd that was viewed as successful. 13 water providers throughout the basin attended some already had their GIS data ready. Water structures will be tiered in 1 thru 3 depending on how critical these structures are to water supplying needs. Carol elaborated that this meeting's reviews came back very positive.
Carol mentioned that there appears to be some funding problems arising from the Department of Homeland Security. They're withholding the release of funds for recovery that seems unprecedented. These funds are for stabilization after fires and without this funding we're going to have problems with recovery. Roundtable letters to our executives may help with releasing funds. Terry said these letters we need to detail specifics for the need and specify where these funds are needed. Mark and Carol offered to draft a letter for Sandy's signature. A request for approval for this letter will be presented to the Regular meeting that follows.
Carol will resend the ARWC Bylaws out for comment as she has only heard back from Sandy and would like to expedite having them returned for finalization.
- **BIP Coordinator – Gary Barber:** Gary gave an update to the projects that are in process. He hasn't heard back on the Water Smart Grant to date. Gary is coordinating with Carol on the Trinidad work.
- **Ph II Risk study – Brett, Jim, Seth:** No Report

Meeting adjourned @ 12:00 pm
Submitted by Al Tucker Recorder

Committee membership: Sandy White (C), SeEtta Moss (VC-NonC), Mark Shea (VC-Cons), Al Tucker (R), Alan Hamel (CWCB), Jeris Danielson (IBCC), Terry Scanga (IBCC), Jim Broderick (past C),

Additional distribution: Ben Wade & Becky Mitchell (CWCB staff), Gary Barber (BIP Coord), Carol Ekarius (ARWC Coord), Elise Bergsten (Secy) Chelsey Nutter (PEPO/Needs Assessment), Jean Van Pelt (PEPO), Jack Gobel (Needs Assessment), Brett Gracely (Needs Assessment)