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Executive Committee Meeting Notes

November 11th 2020 – GoToMeeting

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Executive Committee Present: Mark Shea – Chair; Mike Fink – Secretary; Paul Fanning, Al Tucker, Rego, Greg Hamel, Tom Grasnack, Tim Canterbury, Jeris Danielson, Sandy White- Past Chair; Russ Sands, Sam Stein-CWCB; Abigail Ortega- Needs Assessment Committee; Terry Scanga - IBCC, Sarah Mudge, Matt Heimerich- Vice Chair; Elise Bergsten, Bob Hamel – Vice Chair (Recreational and Environmental Committee); Brett Gracely and Wil Koger - Consultant; Greg Felt - CWCB Representative.

Call to order:

Chairman Mark Shea called the meeting to order at 12:04 PM. Greetings and introductions were performed.

Minutes:

The Minutes of the October 14 Executive Committee will be presented at the December 8 Executive Committee for approval, as will the Minutes of this Executive Committee Meeting.

ARWC Board Meeting:

- None

Reoccurring Matters:

- None

ABRT BIP Update/ Local Expert:

- Review document sent out by Mark Shea via email.

Needs Assessment Meeting:

- Prep as needed

Roundtable Business:

- PEPO Program/Coordinator: Mark Shea asked the Executive Committee Membership if they would like to go through a competitive process for filling the PEPO Coordinator position.



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- Terry Scanga indicated that the PEPO function was originally conceived by the Inter Basin Compact Committee (IBCC) as a state-wide effort, with functions in all Basins; we should not lose sight of that goal. However, this function must be supported financially.
- Mike Fink raised the possibility of aligning with an existing organization whose Mission, Vision & Goals are congruent with the PEPO direction. He suggested looking to Colorado Waterwise as such an organization. They have just completed a very well-organized on-line Statewide Convention, they are an ongoing organization that has been in existence for multiple years, their direction is oriented to Education and Outreach and they have been presenters at the Arkansas River Water Forum in the past.
- This suggestion fueled a discussion about other such organizations that could also align well with PEPO's directives.

Suggestions included:

- Water Education Colorado
- Arkansas River Basin Water Forum
- Colorado Water Assembly
- Mark indicated if there is any interest for someone to serve as a PEPO Coordinator; he would like to gather some information regarding background and experience. At that point the Roundtable members will be able to visit with each applicant, at the upcoming Executive Committee Meeting December 9th.
- Mark suggest setting up a PEPO workgroup that will provide correction over site to the Coordinator to access the newest resources like Wako, Forum, and Casey Devon Hill (Colorado Watershed Assembly). He would like Terry Scanga- Liaison to IBCC, Bob Hamel, Paul Fanning along with others that are interested in participating part of the PEPO workshop.
- Consumptive Use Committee: Mark indicated that the Basin Roundtable should consider standing up a Consumptive Use Sub-Committee, organized somewhat similar to the Non-Consumptive Use Committee. This topic will be picked back up at the Executive Committee meeting December 9th. If anybody has input or thoughts on it feel free to email those to Mark Shea or the full Executive Committee.

Upcoming Meetings:

- Arkansas Basin Roundtable – December 9, 2020
- Subcommittees
 - Enviro/Rec Comm.- November 30, 2020
- CWCBC Board Meeting – November 18 & 19, 2020

Adjourn:

Mark Shea adjourned the Executive Committee Meeting at 12:34 PM.