Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by President John Welch.

Roll Call

Board Members Present

John Welch
Erik Lietz
Brian Tippetts
Meleesa Johnson
Phil Gearing

Chris Anderson
Pat O’Brian
Roxanne Wienkes
Chad Doverspike

Absent

Larry Hougom

Others present

Shelby Schraufnagel, Admin. Assistant; George Shereda, TRC Solutions, Inc.; Allison Hackner, Dane County; Dave Hagenbucher, Marathon County; Brian Meister, SCS Engineers

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Chad mentioned a few corrections that need to be made to the previous meeting minutes. WCSWMA is spelt incorrectly; a date on page two is transcribed incorrectly; and under unfinished business Erik’s name is spelt incorrectly. Erik added that a statement about sending a thank you letter to WCSWMA should be added under the Treasurer’s Report conversation. Motion by Pat, second by Phil to amend and approve the minutes of the previous meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report

John stated that several SWANA members have stated their interest in attending WasteCon and are looking for financial aid to attend. There is $6,000 for this type of assistance in the budget. The International Board Representative is always funded by SWANA. John stated that WCSWMA may help pay for his financial needs. The following includes who has requested financial aid: Dave Hagenbucher, International YP Representative; Pat O’Brien, to weigh in on and hear about the proposed International Board changes; and Erik Lietz, Safety Ambassador and Landfill Technical Division Liaison. There are several UW – Stevens Point students who are involved with the Design Competition at WasteCon but will be graduating this semester. UW – Stevens Point cannot pay for these students to attend after they are graduated. The cost per person is roughly $2,000 - $3,000. John has asked everyone who would like financial assistance to provide an official request including an exact amount that is being requested to him before next meeting.

Chris stated that the program committee has a draft budget put together for the Road-E-O. Expected budget is $4,500. The Road-E-O was discussed and will be put on hold until 2018. Chris and other program committee members will continue to work on planning.

Motion by Erik, second by Chad to approve the treasurer’s report. All in favor, motion carried.
Committee Reports

John stated that he would like to propose a change to the way meetings proceed to avoid lengthy meetings. Each committee chair will send in a brief report on committee activities. These reports will be sent to all board members prior to the meeting for review. If there is an item that needs approval or board discussion the committee will present.

DNR Report  No report.

Safety Report  Erik stated that the safety committee has talked about starting a Wisconsin specific message board or email list, called Ask An Expert, for people in the industry to ask questions to other people in the industry and get a fast response. Erik stated the four goals of the safety committee; 1.) Ask An Expert, 2.) Host a safety conference in 2017, 3.) create a safety page on the website and 4.) create a guidance on pressurized cylinders.

Membership Report  Phil stated that membership is up to 128 members, four new members joined in the last month. The membership committee encourages every company to sign their interns up. The results from the membership survey have been analyzed and members would like to see better links to solid waste resources. The membership committee discussed ways to incorporate all of the committees to host a fall learning session. The logistics of a fall session were discussed. This learning session would be more interactive than WIRMC and gear it towards small haulers who might not normally attend WIRMC.

Motion by Pat, second by Roxanne to move forward with planning a fall learning session. All in favor, motion carried.

John suggested that the date of the annual in-person meeting be moved from Thursday September 21st to October because it falls close to WasteCon.

International Report  John reported that the International Board plans to reorganize. The board would be made up of 10 regions. Wisconsin would be in a region with Illinois, Michigan, Indiana and Ohio. The representative would serve two year terms with a maximum of three consecutive terms. The board would have a total of 20 – 25 representatives. At WasteCon an annual meeting would be held and a representative from each chapter would be allowed to attend to weigh in. Logistics for reorganizations are still being worked out.

YP Report  George reiterated that the solid waste business and organizations should sign their interns up for SWANA over the summer. He also added that a fall YP event will most likely be held at UW – Stevens Point.

Social Media Report  Chris stated that the goals of the social media committee include; 1) gaining 20 new page likes in 2017, 2) post twice per week, 3) work with safety committee to set up the safety page on the website.

Legislative Advocacy Report  No report.

Programs Report  Programs report was discussed earlier in the treasurer’s report.

Scholarship Report  Scholarship winners include; $1,000 to Teresa Furlong, Kirby Katers,
Abigail Quinnell and Paul Swannell and $2,000 to Brenna Doverspike

Motion by Pat, second by Chris to approve scholarship winners and awards. All in favor, Chad abstained, motion carried.

**Timeline Reviewed** Timeline was reviewed.

**Unfinished Business**

A. **Potential For Statewide Education Campaign**

Discussion will be held for next meeting.

**New Business**

**Other Business**

A private meeting will be held to discuss the IRS and tax issues.

**Next Meeting** The next meeting is scheduled via teleconference on June 15th, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.

**Adjourn** Motion by Chad, second by Pat to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:26 p.m.

Shelby Schraufnagel, Administrative Assistant
Approved