



**Board Meeting Minutes | April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 | 10:00 am | Hicks Partners Office**

**Members in Attendance - Carrie Yeager, Brittany Zoecklein, Steve Ruckman, Greg Chumney, Courtney Meyers, and Mary Helen Smith**

**Guests Present –Garrett Guillozet, Tony Brigano and Eric Vinyard**

**1) Call to Order – Steve called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.**

**2) Acceptance of Agenda**

Agenda accepted with addition of Item 3 (d) SB 22

Motion to accept agenda as ammended: Greg Chumney

Seconded: Courtney Meyers

Motion Carried

**3) Legislative Update – Hick's Partners**

a) **HB 178** – Rep. Schmidt introduced this Bill. The pool technical committee continues to monitor this Bill and work with our public health partners to see if there is any other items that need addressed as part of the Bill including, but not limited to licensing of water parks.

b) **State of Ohio Budget HB 110 and other Pending Legislation** - Hick's Partners continues to work on various issues in the Budget Bill that could effect OEHA Membership. Highlighted in the discussion was the provision related to size of City Health Districts and the potential for City Health Districts smaller serving populations less than 50,000 could be forced to combine with larger health districts. Bill is still in the early stages and much could happen in the Senate and subsequent Amendments as reported by Tony Brigano. We will continue to monitor the status of this and provide input if requested. Other items discussed included HB 229 which would provide immunity to campground operators for accidents that occur on their grounds that are due to acts of nature. This does not apply to swimming pools at campgrounds.

c) **OPHAB** - Garrett Guillozet submitted a report that there are several upcoming rule reviews including Resident Camps (3701-25) and Lead Hazards (3701-32). They are not currently posted for public comment on ODH's website but should be soon. Garrett is also working with Dr. Long (Chair) to meet with ODH about concerns of timeliness of survey results being returned to Local Health Departments. They will also be discussing the delay of reviewing some rule packages that are long overdue.

d) **SB 22** – Tony and Eric provided an update and will be sending out the enrolled version. This bill provides for language to allow lawmakers to revoke states of emergency and health orders.

**4) Secretary's Report – Jeff Gibbs**

Tabled until June Meeting

**5) Administrative Aide Report**

Vicki Johnson provided an update on current membership numbers and presented Ann Tomlison as an applicant for life membership.

Motion to approve life member: Carrie Yeager

Seconded: Greg Chumney

Motion carried.

**6) Old Business**

a) **NEHA AEC** – NEHA's AEC will be held virtually in three parts in May, June, and July. Steve Ruckman will represent OEHA at Affiliate meetings and any matters effecting OEHA. He will provide feedback as it becomes available.

**7) New Business**

a) **2021 Virtual AEC CEU Opportunity Update** – Matt Tyler provided a report on 2021 Virtual AEC. Currently 8-10 presentations will be provided and possibly more will be uploaded. Members will access the CEU verification through the member portal. Member price will be \$40. Non-member price will be charged according to past AEC practice and be up to the discretion of the AEC Planning Committee and Vice President Matt Tyler. Previous Non-member rates have been \$60 more than member rates.

b) **2022 AEC** – The planning committee continues to finalize details for the 2022 AEC that will be held at the Marriott in Dublin, Ohio.



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- c) **2023 AEC Hotel Contract Discussion** – The 2023 Contract with the Marriott in Dublin Ohio was discussed. Motion to approve contract with Marriott: Mary Helen Smith      Seconded: Carrie Yeager  
Motion Carried
- d) **ODH Water Well Transmittal Changes** - ODH is looking to modify their transmittal process and would like engagement from members of OEHA. They are looking for 1 representative from each district. Randy Ruszkowski (OEHA Water Well Technical Committee Chair) proposed an email blast to members to request participation. The Board agreed that this was the best action to take at this time. Courtney Meyers will communicate with Randy and follow up to get this email sent to members.
- e) **NEHA Covid Hero Pins** – Steve Ruckman reported that NEHA has a limited number of EH Covid Hero pins available for Affiliates. He suggested we reach out to Niki Lemin, NEHA Region 6 RVP to find out if we could get enough for the entire OEHA Membership. The Board agreed and asked him to find out pricing if applicable.
- f) **REHS Implementation by ODH** – A brief discussion was held regarding the implementation of the new provisions of the REHS Law. The Board of Directors will continue to monitor implementation and provide membership updates as they become available.
- 8) President's Report** – Steve Ruckman reported that we continue to work on securing a location for the Annual Meeting of the Association in lieu of an in person AEC. He will reach out to Union County Health Department to see if they could host the meeting in August. If this does not occur, the Board will need to consider different options to update By Laws and hold elections for State Officer Positions. Election of District Officers will occur at District Fall Conferences.
- 9) Vice President's Report** – Matt Tyler provided his update as part of Items 7) a,b,c
- 10) Treasurers Report** – Mary Helen Smith provided a report and presented a quote from an attorney to review contracts for the association. This included, but wasn't limited to District Educational Conferences and the AEC. She requested that the Board authorize entering into contract for these services.  
Motion to authorize Mary Helen Smith to proceed with having the attorney review contracts under her discretion was made by Greg Chumney      Seconded: Carrie Yeager      Motion Carried
- 11) District Director Reports**
- a) Northeast – Courtney Meyers reported that the NE Planning Committee continues to work on the NE Fall Educational Conference that will occur October 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The current plan is to provide two days focusing on different specialty areas of environmental health.
- b) Northwest – Brittany Zoecklein reported that the NW Planning Committee is also working on details of the NW Fall Educational Conference that will occur October 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021. She also brought up an idea regarding combining conference gift procurement that was discussed by the Board.
- c) Southeast – Greg Chumney reported that the SE Planning Committee continues work on the SE Fall Educational Conference that will be held on September 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021
- d) Southwest – Stephanie Johnson wasn't present, however, Carrie Yeager reported the SW Fall Educational Conference Dates will be October 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
- 12) Next Board of Directors Meeting:** The May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting will not be held unless absolutely necessary. The next Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at Hick's Partners.

***Minutes approved at the August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting***