

**Southeast Watershed Alliance (SWA)
Board of Directors Meeting #5
Hoyle Tanner & Associates
Suite 360
100 International Drive
Portsmouth, NH 03801**

Minutes

October 6, 2010 @ 9:00 AM

Members Present

Jennifer Perry, Exeter
Alison Watts, Newfields
Walter Fries, Danville
Dean Peschel, Dover
Michael Perfit, Stratham

Michael Trainque, Chester
Candace Dolan, Hampton Falls
James Irish, Madbury
Peter Rice, Portsmouth

Guests Present

Chris Albert, Epping
Bill Hounsell, CDM Inc.

Call to Order and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 AM by Wally Fries.

Approve Minutes

General consensus to accept the minutes.

Reports of Committees

Peter Rice reported for the Program Development Committee. The earliest feasible date for the symposium is March and should be facilitated by a professional facilitator. The purpose would be to gather experts, identify areas of consensus and those areas which need additional data or research to support generally accepted conclusions.

Ideally the Alliance would be able to support or obtain grants itself to support the research identified in the course of the above.

The Program Development Committee will identify a facilitator for the symposium as well as put together a detailed plan including a Gantt Chart.

Candace Dolan reported for the Education and Outreach Committee. The Alliance

should seek a grant for the symposium. We need at least some part time help to get everything done. Allison agreed to write the job description.

Allison Watts moved that she and Candace write a grant request to PREP for the symposium and related outreach materials and supplies. Dean Peschel seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

New Business

Housekeeping

None

Review of Priorities

Allison agreed to review the priorities and identify the implied action items. She will present her results at the next meeting for further action and implementation planning.

SWAwiki 101

Michael Perfit reported that the SWAwiki is on the air and available as a tool to facilitate communications among the Board of Directors. He demonstrated making changes to pages, creating new pages, the discussion pages, and encouraged everyone to get on-line and use it.

Strategic Plan

The Strategic Plan is on the wiki. This will be a topic for the next meeting.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting was scheduled for 9:00 AM, November 10, 2010 at the offices of Hoyle Tanner & Associates.

Other business

Wally Fries distributed a draft of the report due to the legislature on November 1. Board members should get feedback into Wally as soon as possible so that the revised draft can be distributed to the Alliance membership for feedback by the middle of the month.

There was also discussion of what presentations would be appropriate at the next meeting of the Alliance. The consensus of the board was that a presentation on the findings of the Stormwater Commission along with a PREP presentation on Erosion Control would be appropriate.

Wally Fries recommended that board members make an effort to become familiar with the below two PREP reports: The first deals with the important and highly relevant topic of erosion and sediment control. The second includes topics on land use planning and model ordinances. The URL(s) are shown below:

www.prep.unh.edu/resources/pdf/review_of_erosion-fbea-10.pdf

http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wmb/repp/innovative_land_use.htm

Since the Alliance has been the subject of several recent reports in the local press, board members may find it useful to create a "Google Alert" of "Southeast Watershed Alliance" in order to stay abreast of such information.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 AM.