

Statewide Water Resources Committee Meeting

May 10, 2004
400 Market Street, RCSOB, Harrisburg, PA

Meeting Summary

Committee members attending

Donald Bluedorn	Gary Merritt
Janet Bowers	JJohn Mizerak
Rick Carlson	Bill Morris
Carol R. Collier	Howard Neukrug
Cathy Curran Myers	Bill Nichols
Nick DeBenedictis	Gary Petrewski
Jerry Feldman	Bob Reichart
Tom Ford	Rich Subasic
Susan Fox-Marquart	Paul Swartz
Kate Harper	Alan Vicory
Joe Hoffman	Bill Wehry
Bob Long	George Wolff
David Mandelbaum	Matt Wolford
Jim MacKenzie	

Committee members absent

Mike Donahue
Bud George
Bob Rosenthal
Emily White

DEP staff present

Pam Bishop
Jineen Boyle
Kerry Chippo
Bill Gast
Jennifer Handke
John Hines
Dave Jostenski
Lori Mohr
Leslie Sarvis
Sue Weaver

Guests

Tom Beauduy
Melanie Cook
Bill Gerlach
Thomas Kuhn (Executive Director for Bud George)

Lisa Nicholas
Tim Weston

Welcome and Introductions

Cathy Curran Myers, Deputy Secretary Of Water Management, welcomed the committee and guests. Committee members and DEP staff introduced themselves.

Election of Interim Chair and Interim Vice-Chair

Interim Chair: George Wolff nominated Don Bluedorn.

Interim Vice-Chair: Jan Bowers nominated Jim MacKenzie.

Motion: Elect Bluedorn and MacKenzie as Interim Chair and Interim Vice-Chair

Made By: Susan Fox-Marquart

Seconded: Bill Morris

Outcome: Passed

Bylaws Discussion

Revise Article VI: Voting

Motion: In Article VI, replace “(16 members)” with “(16 voting members)”

Made By: Jim MacKenzie

Seconded: Bill Morris

Outcome: Passed

Revise Article XI: Amendment of By-Laws

Motion: Replace “(21 voting members)” with “(16 voting members)”

and, add the word “voting: to the phrase “ two-thirds vote of the **voting** statewide committee membership...”

Made By: Susan Fox-Marquart

Seconded: George Wolff

Outcome: Passed

Adopt Bylaws

Motion: Adopt revised bylaws

Made By: Bill Morris

Seconded: Nick DeBenedictis

Outcome: Passed

Update on Regional Committees

Each Regional Committee representative (Howard Neukrug, Matt Wolford, Bill Morris, Don Bluedorn, Bob Reichart, Gary Petrewski) gave a brief update on his respective Regional Committee activities.

Act 220 Presentations

John Hines presented an overview of Act 220.

Sue Weaver reviewed the role of Statewide Committee, which consisted of the statutory obligations of the Statewide Committee.

Dave Jostenski presented the State Water Plan Timeline/Schematic.

Motion: Conceptual approval of Timeline with the understanding that there may be deviations in the dates/subjects included on this conceptual rendering.

Made By: Jerry Feldman

Seconded: Bill Morris

Outcome: Passed

Responsibilities

John Hines discussed the Policies/Guidelines that the Statewide Committee will need to consider for the development of the components of the Regional Plans.

Bill Gast presented the Draft Discussion paper on Critical Water Planning Areas.

Lori Mohr and Leslie Sarvis presented the Public Education and Outreach Framework.

Formation of Three Ad Hoc Workgroups/Subcommittees

1. Critical Water Planning Areas

Jan Bowers- Chair

Carol Collier

Nick DeBenedictis

Gary Merritt

Gary Petrewski

Paul Swartz volunteered an SRBC representative

2. Public Outreach (Don Bluedorn and Carol Collier previously volunteered as Regional Committee members)

Jim MacKenzie

John Mizerak

Bob Reichart

Paul Swartz volunteered an SRBC representative- Susan Obleski, SRBC

3. Policy and Integration

David Mandelbaum- Chair

Jan Bowers

Rick Carlson

Carol Collier
Jerry Feldman
Tom Ford
Susan Fox-Marquart
Joe Hoffman
Jim MacKenzie
Cathy Myers
Rich Subasic
George Wolff

Motion: Develop a Critical Water Planning Area Subcommittee, a Public Outreach Subcommittee. and a Policy/Integration Subcommittee.
Made By: David Mandelbaum
Seconded: Nick DeBenedictis
Outcome: Passed

Motion: Committee will write a letter to the Governor to include the following: that the committee held their first meeting, the committee recommends Penn DOT be engaged in the development of the State Water Plan and to support funding for implementing Act 220.
Made By: Nick DeBenedictis
Seconded: George Wolff
Outcome: Passed, with two abstentions: Tom Ford and Rick Carlson

Wrap-Up/Next Steps

Next Statewide Committee meeting will be scheduled in July
Public Outreach Subcommittee to meet May 26
CWPA Subcommittee and Policy and Integration Subcommittee to meet in June
Add a public comment period at start of meeting to Statewide Committee agendas

Motion: Meeting adjourned at 3:05 PM.
Made by: Bob Reichart
Seconded: Matt Wolford
Outcome: Passed