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## Board of Directors

### Meeting Minutes

| <b>Date: Wednesday, August 18, 2010</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| <b>Start Time: 10:00am</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>End Time: 3:00pm</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Location:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Portage County Annex Building<br>Conference Room 1<br>1462 Strongs Ave.<br>Stevens Point, WI 54481-2947                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| <b>Conference Phone:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | (866) 595-8014                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| <b>Minutes prepared by:</b> Kirsten Moore, Office Manager, WLWCA Staff                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <p><b>Invited:</b> Mr. Allen Carothers (<i>Acting President, WC Area</i>), Mr. Tom Rudolph (<i>Acting Vice-President, NC Area</i>), Mr. David Hammer (<i>Acting Sec'y/Treasurer, S Area</i>), Mr. Charles Wagner (<i>LM Area</i>), Mr. Joe Piechowski (<i>LW Area</i>), Ms. Dorothy Burwell (<i>SE Area</i>), Mr. Herbert Cornell (<i>W Area</i>), Ms. Tami Schraufnagel (<i>WC Area</i>), Ms. Kay McKenzie (<i>NW Area</i>), Mr. Julian Zelazny (<i>Executive Director</i>), Ms. Kirsten Moore (<i>Office Manger</i>), TBA (<i>LCD Advisor Area 1, LM</i>), Mr. Chad Sampson (<i>LCD Advisor Area 3, SE</i>), TBA (<i>LCD Advisor Area 5, W</i>), Mr. Evan Lund (<i>LCD Advisor Area 7, NW</i>), Ms. Susan Butler (<i>FSA</i>), Ms. Patricia Leavenworth (<i>NRCS</i>), Ms. Beth Mason (<i>NACD</i>), Mr. John Reinemann (<i>WCA</i>), Mr. Richard Castelnuovo (<i>DATCP</i>), Mr. Gordon Stevenson (<i>DNR</i>), Mr. Kurt Calkins (<i>WALCE</i>), Mr. Ken Genskow (<i>UWEX</i>), Ms. Jill Schoer (<i>UW-Superior</i>)</p> | <p><b>Attending:</b> Mr. Carothers, Mr. Rudolph, Mr. Wagner, Mr. Piechowski, Ms. Burwell, Mr. Cornell, Ms. McKenzie, Mr. Zelazny, Ms. Moore, Mr. Hammer</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <p><b>Notes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2010 YTD Budget vs. Actual Distributed</li> <li>• 2011 Draft Budget Progress-to-Date Distributed</li> <li>• Please RSVP to either attend or phone in. Arrangements for a conference phone and meals will only be made for those who RSVP.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <p><b>Next Meeting Time:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monday, September 20, 1:30-3:00, via Conference Call</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

**10:04 Call to order: Mr. Carothers, Acting President**

**10:05 Adopt Agenda**

- Rudolph/Hammer: adopted as amended due to cancellation of board fundraising workshop by voice vote, no opposition.

**10:06 Approve 06-24-2010 Board Meeting Minutes**

- Burwell/Wagner: approved by voice vote, no opposition.

**10:07 Officer Elections**

- Position Descriptions, Duties Outlined: Mr. Zelazny and officers outlined roles as currently utilized.
- Election Format
- President
  - Nominations
    - Burwell/McKenzie: Mr. Wagner
    - Cornell/Piechowski: Mr. Rudolph
    - Cornell/Hammer: Close nominations carried by voice vote, no opposition.
  - Election: Mr. Wagner 4:3 by secret ballot.
- Vice President:
  - Nominations -- Hammer/Piechowski: Mr. Rudolph
  - Cornell/Hammer: Unanimous ballot for Mr. Rudolph as vice president carried by voice vote, no opposition.
- Secretary/Treasurer
  - Nominations
    - Rudolph/Cornell: Mr. Hammer
    - Burwell/Hammer: Ms. McKenzie
    - Cornell/Hammer: Close nominations carried by voice vote, no opposition.
  - Election: Ms. McKenzie 4:3 by secret ballot.

**10:30 NACD Officers**

- Mr. Zelazny outlined roles of NACD officers, meetings attended: North Central Meeting and NACD Annual Meeting.
- Officers need not be officers of the WLWCA board. Officers should be from a district that pays NACD dues.
- Discussed how to get the word out regarding the positives of being NACD members.
- Mr. Wagner asked for NACD officer volunteers. Piechowski/Burwell: Nomination of Mr. Rudolph as the NACD officer and Ms. McKenzie as the alternate carried by voice vote, no opposition.

**10:45 Executive Director's Report, Mr. Zelazny**

- Legislative priorities update provided. WLCV Conservation Priorities listening sessions are in progress. Karst, groundwater quantity, LCD staffing grants, environmental education, and forest conservation are on the list to be considered conservation priorities.
- Provided update on Cullen, Weston, Pines and Bach activity.

- Disclosure of lobbying reporting error, resulting in \$25 fine.
- WLWCA/WALCE collaboration proposal provided by Waukesha County Conservationist Mr. Perry Lindquist (not present) distributed and discussed. Mr. Wagner indicated that a decision to explore a merger (steps 1-4 in the proposal) should be ready to present at the WLWCA annual meeting in December.
  - **Rudolph/Burwell:** Motion to explore merger of two associations carried by voice vote, no opposition. (#1 on proposal presented).
  - **Piechowski/McKenzie:** Motion to appoint five WLWCA board members to the WLWCA/WALCE Joint Ad-Hoc Committee and appoint Mr. Zelazny as an advisor to the Ad-Hoc Committee carried by voice vote, no opposition. **Members appointed:** Mr. Wagner, Mr. Rudolph, Mr. Piechowski, Mr. Hammer, and Ms. McKenzie. (Part of #2 on proposal presented).
  - **Action:** **Mr. Zelazny and WLWCA staff** will coordinate with WALCE and the WLWCA Ad-hoc appointees to have a meeting schedule prior to the annual meeting.
- DATCP/LCC Training update: WLWCA staff will be requesting funding in the 2011 allocation for LCC training in a Web based format.
- Wisconsin Envirothon update: Middleton High School took 6<sup>th</sup> overall at the Canon Envirothon, 1<sup>st</sup> in Wildlife and 1<sup>st</sup> in Oral Presentations. Ms. Moore serves as chair of the Canon Envirothon bylaws committee and revised bylaws were passed by voice vote with no opposition at the Summer Meeting. Canon Envirothon is taking bids for the North American event from 2013 onward. Conserve School, in lieu of bringing a team to the state event, has become a 2011 Wisconsin Envirothon sponsor.

#### **11:36 Finance Report, Mr. Zelazny, Mr. Hammer**

- 2010 YTD Budget vs. Actual presented and discussed.
- 2011 Budget Discussion – Discussed ways to fill the gap. Discussed potential carryover from 2010. Discussed dues increase implemented.

#### **WLWCA/WALCE Collaboration Update**

- Presented in Executive Director's Report

#### **11:43 Catered Lunch**

#### **12:26 Agency/Advisor Reports if present or submitted electronically for review**

- DATCP – written report distributed via Email. Discussed. **Action:** **Mr. Zelazny will follow up regarding status of LWCB report regarding its future role.**
- USDA-NRCS – written report distributed at meeting.
- WCA – via Email, Mr. Reinemann expressed regret for not being able to be present. Discussed reduced sizes of county boards.

#### **12:50 Area Reports if present or submitted electronically for review.**

- Area 1 (LM) – Mr. Wagner: Summer tour in Manitowoc County was cancelled. LMLWCA has their fall conference scheduled October 8 in Door County.
- Area 2 (LW) – Mr. Piechowski: Summer tour was held in Waupaca County.
- Area 4 (S) – Mr. Hammer: Provided an FSA report. Summer tour was held in Columbia County.

- Area 3 (SE) – Ms. Burwell: SELWCA officers were elected via Email for 2010-2012. The summer tour will be September 23 in Washington County.
- Area 5 (W) – Mr. Cornell: Western LWCA had a meeting this summer. Discussed ways to get organized.
- Area 6 (WC) – Mr. Carothers provided a report. A summer tour was held in Dunn County.
- Area 7 (NW) – Ms. McKenzie: Toured combined disposal facility in Superior. The Douglas County energy committee met this past week. Discussed renewable energy generated within and outside the state. Mr. Butch Lobermeier has resigned as county conservationist with Bayfield County. Mr. Hammer left the meeting (1:32).
- Area 8 (NC) – Mr. Rudolph: NCLWCA had their area tour and meeting in Marathon County last week. An AIS coordinator has been hired by Lumberjack RC&D through DNR funding for a tri-county area. Oneida County is reviewing its shoreland preservation ordinance.

**1:47 Other Business**

- Discussed RC&D raffle tickets.
- Discussed AIS management/enforcement strategies.
- USDA NRCS has a 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary event scheduled Wednesday, September 29.
- Discussed rescheduling next meeting: September 20, 1:30-3:00 Conference Call.
- Reminder: Board Meeting 12-4:30 November 5, Poster & Speaking Contest November 6 at the Holiday Inn in Stevens Point.
- Ms. McKenzie reported on a recent NR Board meeting.

**2:05 Adjourn**

- **Rudolph/Burwell: Adjournment by unanimous consent.**