

New Mexico Environmental Health Association
Meeting Minutes
August 20, 2013

Location: Indian Health Service
801 Vassar Drive N.E., Building 22
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87106

Present: Jeff Dickson, Debra Grabowski, Michael Broussard, Lucas Tafoya, Bob Bates, Esme Donato, Joe Anguiano

Absent: Shannon BlueEyes

Jeff Dickson called the meeting to order at 10:04 AM

1. July Meeting Minutes

The July meeting minutes were reviewed by the Board at the beginning of the meeting. There were no changes offered at this meeting.

2. Financial Report

Checking Account Balance - \$3412.86
Savings Account Balance - \$7667.52

The Board approved a payment of \$50.00 to the Wounded Warrior Project in memory of Tom Duker. A memorial to Tom may be placed on the NMEHA website. Lorie Stoller will be asked to provide a picture or the one on the funeral home's site might be used.

3. Annual Conference

- a. Kitty Richards says she can present, she is with the Community Transformation Grants which focuses on complete streets, access to health foods, etc.
- b. Each presenter should provide a copy of the slide show by the end of September, bios and photos by the end of September and a 2 – 4 sentence abstract in that same time frame
- c. Michael indicated that the Farmer's Markets would like a formal invitation to participate
- d. The conference theme this year is "Environmental Health Behind the Scenes" and will take place on October 23 - 24
- e. Paul Smith will talk on Vector Control in Drought
- f. Mario Seminara will give FDA updates
- g. Kelly Thompson from NMSU will speak on risk assessment
- i. Recycling tour – the tour takes about an hour, there can be 15 in a group, participants will need to dress appropriately because the tour is very dusty, Jeff and Lucas will develop a flyer to promote the recycling tour

Tentative Schedule

Day 1
09:00 Registration
09:45 NEHA Regional vice-President
10:00 Kelly Thompson

Day 2
08:00 Grey Water Recycling
09:00 UL
10:00 Paul Smith

11:00 Mario Seminar
12:00 Business Meeting /Lunch
1:00 CINCH
2:00 Farm to Table
3:00 Farmer's Markets
4:30 Ajourn

11:00 Recycling Talk
12:00 Lunch
1:00 Recycling Tours

- j. Business Meeting – financial state, awards, board recruitment, minutes from last business meeting, voting on proposed changes for the Board (developing seats for jurisdictions, voting changes, etc.) WE may be able to use the NEHA voting software – Jeff will follow up
- k. Conference fees – last year members were \$70.00 and non-members were \$95.00, the Board approved fees of \$80.00 for members and \$105.00 for non-members this year, the vendor fee will be \$150.00
- l. Awards – an awards committee is needed, Environmentalist of the Year, President's Award, Outstanding Contributions to Environmental Health
- m. \$300.00 was approved for door prizes, Shannon will be asked to secure the prizes
- n. Board members will contact vendors to solicit their participation
 - Lucas – Friedan
 - Michael – New Mexico Restaurant Association
 - Esme – Adapco, Target
 - Bob – Univar, Clark
 - Joe – Central
 - Jeff – UL
 - Debbie – Pasteurized Eggs
- o. A booth will be \$150.00 and sponsoring a break will be \$300.00, if they sponsor a break their information will be shown on a slide during the break
Sponsors of breaks will be listed on the website
- p. Vendors can set up between 8 and 8:30 or is this too early?
- q. Board members should email Jeff as details become available
- r. The conference should be made a part of the website as soon as possible
- s. We received a request from a group to be mentioned on the website, but they are associated with Asbestos.com, Jeff said that he would go to the website and see what type of group it is

The meeting adjourned at 12:02 pm

The next meeting will be held September 16th at 10:00 am at IHS, Building 22, 801 Vassar Drive N.E.

6. Other Business

- a. Lucas will ask Esme if the survey Monkey has closed
- b. Jeff wants to form a 3-4 member team, lead by Esme, to develop a new member orientation to NMEHA

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 am.