

Air & Waste Management Association
Executive Committee of the Education Council Conference Call Minutes
Wednesday January 23, 2008
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST

Item #1: Call to Order, Roll Call, Additions and Changes to the Agenda

Education Council Chair, Aneja, called the Executive Committee of the Education Council meeting to order on Wednesday January 23, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. EST with the following participants via conference call:

Executive Committee of the Education Council:

Viney Aneja (Education Council, Chair)
Harry Klodowski (Education Council, Immediate Past Chair)
Chuck Baukal (Continuing Education Committee, Chair)
Jim Donnelly (Professional Development Division, Chair)
Pam Heckel (Public Education Committee, Chair)
Melba Hensel (Public Education Division, Chair)
Ron Huffman (Webinar Committee, Chair)
Mark Rood (Higher Education Division, Chair)
Steve Rybolt (Council's Standing Committee on Student Programs and Development, Chair)
Leo Stander (Professional Development Division, Immediate Past Chair)
Dianne Wilburn (Webinar Committee, Vice Chair)
CY Wu (University/College Education Committee)

Others:

Stephanie Glyptis (Director, Membership Development/Human Resource Management)
Autumn Secrest (Programs Coordinator)
Sandi Spratt (Education Associate)
Louise Wallach (Director, Sales and Meetings Services)

Item #2: Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion by Klodowski to approve the minutes from the Executive Committee of the Education Council conference call on November 28, 2007. Rood seconded. Motion carried.

Item #3: Chair's Report

Aneja reviewed the highlights from the recent Intercouncil meeting that was held January 19 – 20, 2008 in Portland, OR. Of primary significance was President Mathai's call for all Council members and volunteer leaders to work together towards increasing the Association's membership in 2008. Aneja called for general updates and comments from the floor.

Rood read the list of suggestions from his "Committee to Recruit Faculty, Young Professionals and Students to A&WMA"

The suggestion to publish an article in EM highlighting the Education Council will be acted upon immediately. Glyptis will take the lead on this action item to work in conjunction with the other Councils as they are planning similar articles.

Motion by Donnelly to appoint Peter Hess and Doug Wolf as Co-Chairs to the Scholarship Campaign Committee. Rood seconded. Motion carried.

Aneja will contact Hess and Wolf regarding the approval of their appointments. Spratt will add their contact information to the organization chart and re-distribute.

Aneja asked for suggestions of possible members to be appointed to the Web Design Committee of the Board of Directors. Zaher Hashisho was suggested. Aneja asked to bring further suggestions to his attention as soon as possible.

Aneja asked the Committee for feedback regarding the possibility of moving the International Outreach and Coordination Committee out of the Education Council and into a special committee of the Board of Directors.

Klodowski asked for feedback from the Committee members regarding the Education Council's 2007 Annual Report and 2008 goals. Comments are to be forwarded to Klodowski by Friday January 25, 2008 before the final report is submitted to Glyptis for inclusion in the agenda for the upcoming Board of Directors meeting.

Motion by Klodowski to approve the Education Council's 2007 Annual Report. Donnelly seconded. Motion carried.

Klodowski reviewed the status and program highlights of the upcoming April 2nd *Environmental Careers* Webinar. A suggestion was made to market through professors.

Item #4: Division Reports

• ACE 2008 Report –

Rybolt told the Committee that planning and implementation for the 2008 ACE student program is on schedule. The *Environmental Challenge international* (ECi) problem will be posted on the A&WMA website on Thursday January 31, 2008. The student paper/poster contest is open for acceptance of submissions. The Oasis Abstract Management System is being used this year for the first time to accept the submissions. New programs to the ACE 2008 include a chapter exchange luncheon, the young professionals' networking reception, Young Professionals' Advisory Committee (YPAC) meeting, and ECi presentations. Rybolt will be presenting a progress report from the Student Programs and Development Committee on the next conference call.

• Higher Education –

(See attached)

• Public Education –

Hensel updated the Committee on the status of the EERG project. Joanne Held's student is updating the references in Air Quality grades 9-12. Klodowski suggested that Hensel speak with Peter Hess regarding possible sponsorship opportunities with Toyota for the EERG project as Hess secured the conference sponsor with Toyota for ACE 2008.

- Professional Development –

Donnelly said he met with members of each Council at the January 19 -20, 2008 Intercouncil meeting regarding ideas/commitments for 2008 Webinars. He did not have much success but will continue to solicit support from the volunteers for this program. Stander noted the *Environmental Deviation* Webinar (held on January 17, 2008) was successful. There were 16 sites and 1 CD sold. The *Laboratory Accreditation – Requirements and Benefits* Webinar is on target for February 26, 2008.

Item #5: New Business

The next conference call of the Executive Committee of the Education Council was scheduled to be held on Thursday February 28, 2008 from 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST. The meeting will be chaired by Vice Chair, Ram Ramanan. The dial in number is 1-866-548-4716 and passcode 649413.

Motion by Aneja to adjourn the conference call. Stander seconded. Motion carried.

The call was adjourned at 3:10 p.m. EST.

Respectfully submitted,

Viney Aneja, Ph.D.
Chair, Education Council

What to do with \$25K/yr to Recruit Faculty and Students to AWMA
 By M. J. Rood
 January 18, 2008

Activity	Benefits	Cost
Develop a of list of benefits to participate in AWMA and communicate with key representatives in academics (in person, phone, e-mail, website)	Faculty (F), Post-docs (PD) graduate students (GS), undergraduate students (US)	4,000
Provide encouragement for academicians to chair and organize technical sessions, recruit invited papers, by providing travel support to conferences (10 travel awards)	F, PD, GS	4,000
Recognition for high quality platform presentations at conferences (4 awards)	F, GS, PD	2,000
Development of specialty topics and reduced page charges developed for JAWMA	F	4,000
Reduced membership fees	F, PD, GS, undergraduate students (US)	4,000
Invitations to annual meetings and specialty conferences, provide schedule and invitation to educational activities and committee meetings	F, PD, GS, US	AWMA staff
Improved website that describes fellowships, jobs, and professional skill development opportunities (EPA, NSF, AWMA, job openings, resume development, volunteer opportunities, leadership opportunities)	F, PD, GS, U S	AWMA staff
Dissertation/Thesis Award to faculty and students (2-4 awards)	F, GS	2,000
Update listing of university and colleges with programs related to AWMA	F, GS, UG	AWMA staff
No cost invitations for students to participate with technical section and chapter meetings	GS, UG	2,000
Support AWMA-AEESP Meet and Greet Breakfast for Faculty and Post-docs to include graduate and undergraduate students, including travel support for invited speaker	F, PD, GS, US	1,500
No cost invitations to all student participants to awards luncheons, select receptions and tours during ACE	GS, US	1,500
Improved communication with educational community about educational and professional development opportunities at AWMA	F, PD, GS, US	AWMA staff
Total		25,000

