

AWWA Education Committee
January 12, 2011 – 10 a.m.
MINUTES

1. Roll Call – *Dave Lewis, Joe Finn, Paul Lange, Tom Nennig, Michele Klappa-Sullivan*
2. Approve minutes from previous meetings
3. Webinars

January - Michele is trying to get in touch with Lee from the DNR, but they are very busy with all the issues that are in the media lately. As soon as we have a contact person we will set a date. John is a go for giving the presentation for Guatemala. February – Michele's coworker will do the Utility GIS presentation, to be scheduled after January is locked down. Future topics will be gleaned from the abstracts for the Annual Conference.

4. Specialty Seminar – ?

Tom suggested considering the recent hot issues of Hexavalent Chromium and fluoride as possible topics for a specialty seminar, not only the issues, but guidance on dealing with the media on these topics. Also discussed were the pros and cons of these issues and others. Panel discussions with people on both sides of an issue are very informative and present the entire topic, not just one side. Joe will ask the Board to discuss this at the next meeting to assist us with a topic for the seminar.

5. Update on Annual Conference

Dave is meeting with the Committee chairs, he will then have a list for Education to review and help decide which will be put on the Technical program. This will be an in-person meeting, and may be with short notice. Dave is keeping with a sustainability theme. The DNR has not submitted anything and there is hope they will stay involved with WWA.

6. Update Goals for 2011 (see last year's below) – *See changes below in **RED**.*
7. Next Meeting – February 10, 2011 10 a.m. ***Please keep in mind the next meeting may be switched to an in-person meeting to discuss the selected abstracts for the Annual Conference.***

2011 Goals

The goals of the education committee are:

- *Assist with the Education Calendar for the association membership*
- *Arrange ~~10~~ 6 Webinars.*
- *Coordinate the planning and training efforts of the organization. Be available to help assist committees in developing and coordinating their annual seminar.*
- *Help develop the education track for **the Annual Conference**. ~~future committee seminars.~~*
- ~~*Help maintain the educational calendar on the web site.*~~
- *Plan specialty seminars on timely "hot topics" ~~(2010 hot topic – water quality).~~*
- *Guide the organization on the use of Webinar tools, best practices, etc.*