

WCCA EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES

The Inn on Maritime Bay
101 Maritime Dr.
Manitowoc, WI 54220

President Reed Gaedtke called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

Introductions took place. People present: Scott Godfrey, Reed Gaedtke, Robin Schaffer, Chris Meuer, Austin Dyb, Kenneth Thiele, Grace Leppink, Chris Mrdutt, Dave Sadenwasser, Ryan Brown, Dan Bowers, Erica Sauer.

Changes to the agenda included adding discussion on Planning Directors Association. Meuer made a motion to approve the agenda with the changes. Second by Thiele. Motion carried.

Mrdutt made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from August 27th, 2024, second by Meuer. Motion carried.

Schaffer reports that this is \$27,230.71 in checking, \$1,185.76 in scholarship, and \$18,358.13 in money market for the secretary treasurer report. Motion by Thiele to approve the treasurer's report, second by Dyb. Motion carried.

WCCA 60 Year Celebration Update – Discussion held to open the Logo contest in Spring for submittal of logo ideas. Logo designs will be voted on in the Fall. Work with Tyler to see if a submittal portal can be made. Discussion held on new swag in 2029 for 60th year celebration.

2024 Conference Update – Discussion held on the need to elected a 2nd VP.

Discussion on 2026 and beyond conferences. – As County budgets become tighter WCCA is discussing the possibility of the number of conferences from two to one if it would better serve members. Now that the Spring conference is the main conference, wait for changes to see how the transition results are. Discussion on having dual sessions on Friday of the conferences.

Committee and Project Reports

Program Coordinator 2025 Spring conference to be held March 19th-21st, 2025 at the Fairfield in Weston. Fall 2025 Conference to be held 30th-31st, 2025 at Trula Vista.

Awards/Scholarship Committee –Schaffer reports that there is one retirement for Fall Conference. Discussion on nominations being submitted for the Dick Mace Award.

Nominating Committee (2nd VP nominees) – Discussion held that no member has showed interest in becoming 2nd VP. Will try to have a nomination by the business meeting tomorrow.

Legislation Committee Update/Report – Kenneth Thiele reports that updates are slower right now before elections take place. Continue to communicate with Kyle from WCA on legislation such as Town Opt Out.

NR 116 Committee, NR 115 Shoreland/Wetland Committee, Mining Committee, Short Term Rental, Administrative Code Committee – Reports of nothing new or members were not present.

Conference Activity Committee – Schaffer reports that door prizes are being brought in by Dist Reps, there will be a cornhole tournament, and board and card games are available for social time.

DSPS/POWTS committee meeting update – Lara Pagal was not present. Mrdutt reports that conversations about hydrographs are still actively happening.

Webpage/Decoder update- Betry not present, but it is reported that the Decoder will be out soon.

District Reports will be given during the business meeting tomorrow.

New Business as presented at meeting

Discussion on Planning Directors Meeting as had. Participation at this was low. Discussion held on breakout sessions Fridays of conferences to allow for a planning track and a POWTS track to better meet the needs of the Planners during conferences. Brown reports that Planners would still like to exist as their own organizations but want to formalize the relationship between the two organizations as there is a lot of overlap. Cross representation on the boards was discussed.

Discussion had about DNR training session that took place earlier today. Schaffer reports that DNR staff paid for lunch for the training but had a short fall of money to pay for lunch as participants did not attend who were signed up. Thiele makes a motion to reimburse DNR short fall up to \$150.00 for the training on October 23rd, 2024, second by Meuer. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Thiele/Mrdutt. Adjourned at 7:53 pm.

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