

MINUTES

Water/Wastewater Advisory Committee Meeting

Time: 11:30am-12:30pm

Date: November 2, 2017

Place: Petaluma Campus PC 602

MINUTES of 11/2/17 Meeting

List The Members in Attendance: Karen Bolan, Chris Finton, Veronica Astells, Hal Race, Robert Rawson, and Ryan Kirchner.

Members Attending as Proxy: Robert Wilson (for Leah Walker)

Members Absence: Keith Baldanza, Erik Westerman

Staff in Attendance: Catherine Williams, Victor Tam, Jim Kenny, Chris Murray, Pat Gothard, Vince Bertsch

Invited Guests: Scott Mullins

Was there a quorum ☒ Yes ☐ No

1. Call to Order: Catherine Williams called the meeting to order at 11:40 a.m.
2. Welcome/Introductions: Catherine Williams
3. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting – Motion by Hal Race, Second by Ryan Kirchner to approve as submitted.
4. **Announcements:** Mixer tomorrow night at Mountain Mikes Pizza by Veronica Astells for Students and Young Professionals, 13 Students signed up. Windsor is sending operations manager to meet them. CWA is gives out Scholarship every year and applications are open for this and closes on January 15th. They give out in increments of \$1,000 and no cap on how many they distribute, based on merit for the year.
 - **Job Announcements:**
 - CMSA OIT Position-Central Main is hiring full time position.
 - Town of Windsor Water, Environment & Sustainability is hiring
 - Industry Liaison Position for SRJC (Professional Expert) was filled by Karen Bolan and Felix Hernandez will work as a team. To achieve a better connection with Water/wastewater agencies to find out their needs as an educational needs. Support finding internships.
5. Public/Industry comments:
6. Unfinished Committee Business:
 - a. Discussion Items: Providing the program with some donated equipment. CMSA is going to do a purge in the spring to sell or scrap, has some pumps to donate. City of Healdsburg is donating pumps but we need a storage place for them. Chris M. is looking at a company that makes simulators for students to use for hands on. It was brought up to maybe do cut outs of pumps for the classroom.

- b. We need to update our voting members list. Move Karen Bolan to member not voting.
 - c. We need to reach out to SCOE and Social Advocacy youth to see if they have anyone who wants to join our Advisory Board. Janet will reach out to them.
- 7. New Business/Discussion:
- 8. Updates:
 - a. Industry Updates
 - Karen Bolan went to Baywork presentation is a collaborative made up of different water/wastewater industry partners in the bay area. There goals are to develop candidates in WW and to train workers in new and emerging technologies and best practices.
 - 9 critical Pathways most difficult to hire. 820 job openings, 600 due to retirements in the next 3 years.
 - Karen will develop Strong Workforce Group and interviewing faculty. Communicate with students and other colleges.
 - Ryan reported that reservoirs affected by the lack of electricity and smoke inhalations aftermath on the guys trying to prevent it. SCWA wants to cap all waterways but being help off until ROE's are signed by homeowners.
 - b. Department/Program updates:
Curriculum effective date is F18, Vince award certs since Board approved. Want to offer 4 classes WWTR 120, 121,124,125. In review now.
- 9. Action Items:
 - a. List any action items noted
Next Steps/Comments/Wrap Up:
 - There is a CWEA free webinar on running effective meetings, importance of internships, giving successful presentations.
 - Janet will contact SCOE and Social Advocacy Youth on representatives to join the Advisory Board.
 - Ryan has a Mobil water treatment on a trailer and wants to give it to the JC for use by the WW classes. Where to park it?
- 10. Adjournment: 12:40pm

NOTE: The next Water/Wastewater Advisory Committee meeting will be held-April 2018