

Minutes of the Business Meeting
North Dakota Section of AWWA
October 27, 2006

The Business Meeting of the North Dakota Section of the American Water Works Association was held at the Grand International Inn of Minot, North Dakota, on October 27, 2006.

Mr. Rick Gillund called the meeting to order at 12:20 p.m. and recognized the head table, Section Officers, Trustees, and AWWA President Terry Rolan.

The minutes of the October 12, 2005 Business Meeting were in the conference packets. Mr. Gillund asked for any corrections to the minutes. There were none. Ms. Lisa Ansley moved to approve the minutes. Seconded by Mr. Dean Sletten. Motion carried.

Mr. Gillund presented the Treasurer's Report. The Section had income of \$30,692.01 and expenses of \$23,186.29, for a net income of \$7,505.72 in 2005. The Section had as of December 31, 2005, \$30,267.48 in checking and money market accounts, and endowments and reserve of \$80,653.83. Total assets for the Section was \$110,921.31.

Mr. Brett Jochim presented the audit report as conducted by Mr. Jochim and Mr. Duane Friesz. The financial records were reviewed and no discrepancies were found. He thanked Mr. Thelen for all the time and effort that he has put in as the Section Treasurer. Mr. Mel Bullinger moved to accept the Audit Report as presented. Seconded by Mr. Charlie Vein. Motion carried

Mr. Gillund introduced each of the Board of Trustee candidates. Nominees for trustee are Mr. Steven Ahlschlager and Mr. Tim Paustian. The election was held by secret ballot. Mr. Gillund informed the members that Tim Paustian is the new trustee.

Mr. Deon Stockert presented Certificates of Award for Water Treatment and Water Distribution Certification Advancement. This year's awardees are Shane Berg, Nels Halgren, Richard Jacobson, Sherry Keys, Chad Mittleider, William Solis and Jason Sorenson.

Mr. Gillund presented a lifetime membership plaque to Mr. Michael Yavarow who has been a member of AWWA for 30 years.

There was no other unfinished business or new business.

Mr. Jack Long introduced the guest speaker, Mr. Terry Rolan. Mr. Rolan is from Durham, North Carolina, and holds the state's highest level of certification in water and wastewater treatment. His message was on the value of water, the value of membership, and the value of involvement. He concentrated on the value of involvement. Only 10% of the Association's membership is actively involved with the Association. Even with only 10% of members involved, their volunteer work keeps the costs of AWWA products less than if all of the work was done by paid staff. AWWA is slowly growing and he encourages small systems to join because of the many benefits of belonging.

Mr. Gillund thanked everybody for their support and help during his tenure as chair. He introduced Mr. Jack Long, Section Director. Mr. Long thanked Mr. Gillund for the work that he accomplished during his time as Section Chair and presented him with a plaque.

Mr. Long asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Stockert moved to adjourn and Mr. Jochim seconded the motion. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

David J. Bruschwein
Secretary-Treasurer