

SUMMER WORKSHOP AND FULL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
JULY 23, 2024 10:30 A.M.
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Brandi Schnell called the meeting to order at 12:52 PM.

Members Present:

Amanda Gamby City of Bowling Green	Louise Holliday JB Green Team	Ernie Stall Ohio EPA	Brandi Schnell Lorain County SWMD
Wanda Schaad GT Environmental Inc.	Julie Riley Lucas County	Keri Murphy Lancaster-Fairfield Community Action	Alexa Schwaderer Auglaize Co SWMD
	Krista Fourman-Unger Darke County SWMD	Chris Hoffman Montgomery County Environmental Services	

Absent Members of the Board of Directors: Jim Jerek, Bonnie Martens, and Matt Baugher

Special Mentions

Brandi N. Schnell presented Angela Carbetta certificate and gifts of appreciation for her 23 years of service. Angela has actively assisted with the OALPRP organization and served as a board member including assisting with our fundraising and silent auction for several years.

Committee Reports

Secretary’s Report – Alexa Schwaderer presented minutes from May 21, 2024. Motion to approve minutes as presented made by Chris Hoffman with a second from Keri Murphy.

Treasurer’s Report – The treasurer’s report was sent out electronically and reviewed with present members. The current balance in the checking account is \$22,305.51 and the balance in all funds is \$34,933.68. Motion to approve treasurer’s report made by Krista Fourman-Unger with a second made by Louise Holliday.



Conference Committee – Brandi reported that a MOU has been signed with AOR and KOB for a partner’s conference to take place in 2025. There were reports of SWANA rescheduling their 2025 SOAR Conference and combining with WasteCon to November of 2025. Brandi also requested that a new display is purchased for all conferences and events.

Fundraising/Silent Auction Committee – Discussions regarding the online auction format took place. There will be ongoing discussions due to further investigation regarding the Ohio Ethics Laws for public employees. Wanda will continue to head this committees with support from the additional board members.

Finance Committee – Chris reported that the audit has taken place at Clark County.

Membership Committee – Alexa reported that there were 29 paid organizations as of her last update.

Nomination Committee – Wanda reported that one application had been received from Rachel Sizer-City of Bowling Green -Sustainability Coordinator. This position would fulfill the board position that is vacant. Motion to approve Rachel for this position made by Chris with a second by Louise.

Scholarship Committee – Brandi introduced our scholarship recipient Gage Cable and discussed his future plans for furthering his education.

Website Committee –Keri reported that the website has been redone. She would like everyone to ensure we have an updated headshot and biography for the board of director’s page. Any updates or changes should be sent to Keri Murphy.

Social Media Committee – Several individuals have Facebook™ access to share, post, and make connections. Please let us know if you need access. Also, continue to share on your local sites! Additionally, we have been making scheduled posts to keep the page current and active.

Liaison Reports

Ohio EPA – The next grant cycle will open October 7, 2024 through December 6, 2024. There have been more funds allocated for grants. There have been more allowable items added for Household Hazardous, Composting, Dishwashers, Hand Dryers, and Water Refilling Stations. There has been a campaign with Hefty Bags and Rumpke for putting recyclables in plastic bags that is causing some controversy.

OSWDO – There was an in-person workgroup and membership meeting on May 2, 2024. The SB119 discussions have resurfaced.

SWANA – Buckeye SWANA has accepted applications for awards. The award winners should be announced in June/July. There should be a meeting to discuss a combination WasteCon and SOAR conference on June 4, 2024.

AOR – The AOR grant is available through their website. There will be a meeting in the fall.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 24, 2024, 10:00 A.M. at GT Environmental, 2400 Corporate Exchange Dr. STE 150, Columbus, Ohio 43231.

With no further business to be discussed, Chris Hoffman moved and Alexa Schwaderer seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alexa Schwaderer', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Alexa Schwaderer
Secretary