

**Executive Committee Meeting**  
**September 6, 2011 @ 8:00 a.m.**  
**September QB-Teleconference Call (800) 944-8766/24384 (#)**

**Present**

James Todd, President, NACD Board Member  
Lonnie Wilson, Vice President, NACD Alternate  
Van Bitner, Secretary  
Phil Fossler, Treasurer  
Terry Davis, Past President  
Darrell Roegge, Area II VP  
Steve Stierwalt, Area III VP  
Kenny Vosholler, Area IV VP  
Rich Nichols, AISWCD  
Jim Nelson, AISWCD  
Sherry Finn, AISWCD  
Phyllis Mace, ISWCDEA RC Co-Chair

**Absent**

Jerry Snodgrass, Area I VP  
Marie Bunting, President, Auxiliary  
Debra Slade, ISWCDEA AC Co-Chair  
Dean Johnson, ISWCDEA RC Co-Vice Chair  
Mike Hoffman, Lobbyist

**Call to order and introductions:**

President James Todd called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m. Jim introduced new AISWCD Vice President, Lonnie Wilson; Secretary, Van Bitner; Area III VP, Steve Stierwalt. All were present on the call. Mr. Todd also noted that Aaron Ferguson would be serving the AISWCD Board as the LUC 11 Representative and Dan Duval would be serving as the LUC 5 Representative.

**Roll Call:**

Sherry Finn took roll call and there were 8 of the 9 Executive Board Members present; all 3 AISWCD staff was present on the call; and 1 ISWCDEA representative was present.

**Agenda Approval:**

James Todd asked the members to look over the agenda and see if there were any comments, changes or additions needed. **Phil Fossler made a motion to approved the agenda and was seconded by Terry Davis, MCVV.**

**Committee/Taskforce Updates:**

**Communications:** Kenny Vosholler, the new Communications Chairman, asked if there was a need to continue the sponsorship program. Discussion followed with several comments; the sponsorship applications are already printed and available; decided to have Communications committee discuss this at next QB meeting (December) and decide how they can promote this.

**Education:** Jerry Snodgrass had notified AISWCD office that he would unavailable for call due to a NACD teleconference call; Sherry Finn reported that the Christian County Team from Taylorville did very well at the Canon Envirothon-they did not place in the top ten but did place in a couple of categories. Their teacher had sent a suggestion to Valerie Keener at IDNR and she passed along to the education chairman and the Envirothon chairman. Jerry had also stated in his written report that the Director Training at the Annual Meeting had gone very well and was attended by many. He noted that he, Terry Bogner, and Lee Bunting had volunteered to present this again next year. There was a question if this would be on website soon for Directors; Rich Nichols reported that he had several questions to complete as part of the modules, but would get them completed, posted on line and notify Directors it was available.

**Financial Management:** Phil Fossler reported the financial information was listed in the packet for June and July and the August information was e-mailed last week; Phil also noted the 2011 Budget had been updated, was in the packet, and the 319 Grants' contracts have not been received yet; Jim Nelson's salary only shows through October 1, 2011; there are 11 Districts with unpaid FY 2011 dues-5 of those Districts have not paid any dues for FY 2011 (Gallatin, Pike, Pope-Hardin, Randolph, and Scott), 2 Districts that have paid only ½ of their dues (Adams and Lee), 1 District that owes the remainder of 3<sup>rd</sup> Q and Partial 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter (Greene), and 3 Districts that have only paid partial amounts (Boone, Jefferson, and Lake). The total amount delinquent is \$11,083.42. The question was asked if anyone thanked IDOA Director Jennings for the additional 10-12 thousand dollars for Districts—Perry and Gallatin counties have; some of the AISWCD board members have. Sherry Finn reported word had been received from Mike Hoffman that the FY 2011 voucher payments from the comptroller have been extended to December 31, 2011. Therefore, the remainder of the FY 2011 operations funds will get paid—probably sometime in November, since they are about 17 weeks behind on payment as of July 1, 2011.

**Legislative:** Lonnie Wilson reported the SB 744 Support Signatures from the Annual Meeting had been dropped off at the Governor's office on the Wednesday of the Annual Meeting (July 27, 2011). Lonnie stated the Governor's Day rally had a turnout of about 40 and they did receive several news reports; noted he and Jim Todd had attended the Farm Progress Show and had done a couple of interviews regarding the SB 744 and talked mostly on the bill's economic impact and not the gaming itself. They also have had a couple of invitations to address the economic impact. Lonnie also addressed the Resolutions voted on at the Annual Meeting:

Resolution 2011-1: Prevailing Wage Act-Rich and Lonnie have been working with LICA as a joint committee on some of the language and are still trying to get an exemption for Districts with the help of the Lt. Governor, Sheila Simon.

Resolution 2011-2: Was withdrawn at the Annual Meeting

Resolution 2011-3: Roofing for animal feed lots-NRCS is supposed to be taking care of this; this will be followed up on at the AISWCD December QB meeting.

Resolution 2011-4: Reestablish an annual AISWCD Ag Legislative Day-This will be addressed in the spring (AISWCD March QB Meeting) and an active effort will be made to visit the Capitol.

**Planning:** Lonnie Wilson reported the strategic planning data from the Annual Meeting was being put together; Debbie Holsapple from Marion County had volunteered to compile the data; the committee had allowed Districts to turn in their info until the end of August, so they could have a meeting in August to discuss their 1-3 year goals and rate them. Lonnie is hoping the data will be completed by next week's AISWCD September quarterly board teleconference call. Sherry Finn reported the AISWCD surveys for the Annual Meeting will be compiled and reported on at the September QB teleconference call.

**Urban Community & Conservation:** Jim Nelson stated he would have a full report for the September Quarterly Board teleconference call.

### **Area Vice Presidents Reports**

**Area I** - Jerry Snodgrass not available for report.

**Area II** - Darrell Roegge asked where is the money? & where are we going-forward?

**Area III**- Steve Stierwalt had nothing to report

**Area IV** - Kenny Vosholler stated he would be in contact with Carolyn Holder, Chairman from Randolph County about the FY 2011 dues.

### **Old Business:**

**Dues & Funding Update** - Reported on by Phil Fossler during Financial Management Committee update.

**FY 2011 & 2012 – Grant Projects Update –Other EPA Grants** – reported on by Phil Fossler during Financial Management Committee update.

**Phase II Development Update-** Jim Nelson reported a Boy Scout group had cleared some of the invasive species; Jim will spray now that the weeds have been chopped down.

**FY 2012 State Budget Update-** Sherry Finn reported there has been nothing received in the way of contracts for Districts regarding dollars for FY 2012; waiting on the Budget acceptance and IDOA.

**AISWCD President Appointed Taskforce for SWCD Dues Structure Update-** Terry Davis not available to report; Kenny Vosholler stated the committee had met for a little while after the June QB meeting, but have not met since that date. The committee will report at the September QB meeting teleconference call.

**NACD Legislative Conference, Washington, D.C. update:** Jim Todd and Lonnie Wilson attended; couldn't get another Board member to attend due to scheduling conflicts. Lonnie Wilson reported both men had made contact with every Illinois Legislator on the hill and passed out talking points and information about Districts and the AISWCD. Lonnie felt he learned a lot about the NACD and how much they were accomplishing for the Districts. Lonnie also felt they had a very productive trip.

**AISWCD Copier Update:** Sherry Finn reported the current copier lease had expired as of September 1, 2011 (5 year lease with DeLage Landen Financial Services for \$369 a month) and according to the lease agreement had to ship the old copier back to the leasing company's warehouse in Earth City, MO. Sherry contacted 6 local van line companies and their fees were between \$450 and \$600. Sherry contacted the leasing company and they recommended a couple of companies out of Chicago; both were contacted and United Van Lines was used at the cost of \$256.32 for delivery of copier. Six (6) quotes were obtained for a new copier; CDS Office Technologies, Xerox, Capitol Business, Ikon, Tom Day Business Machines and Watts Copy. The best bid and maintenance contract was secured through Tom Day Business Machines for a refurbished Ricoh Machine for \$84 a month and after the lease agreement is completed the AISWCD can purchase the copier for \$1 and not have to pay to return it. The service agreement is covered under the lease and all supplies are furnished except for the paper and staples. The copier came with a load of staples (15,000). There will be a charge at one cent per copy for all copies and that will be in addition to the \$84 per month.

**AISWCD IT Update:** Sherry Finn reported the contract had been signed with Specialized Consultants, Inc. for \$75.00 an hour and Libby Griggs is the consultant. Sherry noted Libby had updated her computer and also had been out and cleaned up and updated Rich Nichols and Jim Nelson's computers. The copier maintenance guy had setup the scanning option from the copier to the computers.

**Van Maintenance:** Sherry Finn reported the van had been taken in to inspect the tires and brakes; there was no need for new tires, but the brake pads and rotors were replaced; and Jim Nelson had some vehicle trouble last week and the driver side brake caliper and hose had to be replaced, along with the cost of toeing the van. Sherry also reported the van is a 2006 Dodge Caravan with 80,550 miles as of 8/10/11 and the vehicle loan is with the National Bank of Petersburg and will be paid off as of April 2012.

**New Business:**

**FY 2011 AISWCD 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting Resolutions:** This was reported on during the Legislative Committee update by Lonnie Wilson.

**FY 2011 AISWCD 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting/Summer Conference Strategic Planning Sessions:** This was reported on during the Planning Committee update by Lonnie Wilson.

**Reports in Packets:** Sherry Finn reported that there were no Partner reports in the packet; they all reported back to say no updates since the Annual Meeting reports.

**Approval of June 2011 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes:**

**Motion made by Kenny Vosholler and seconded by Phil Fossler to approve June 2011 minutes, MCVV.**

**Adjournment:**

**Motion to adjourn made by Phil Fossler and seconded by Lonnie Wilson, MCVV.** The meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

**Minutes taken and submitted by:**

Sherry Finn, AISWCD Administrative Assistant

Approved by:

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Signature

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Date