# Call Meeting to Order – Jennifer Pickett - President

Called to order at 9:32am.

# Roll Call – Chris Kreger – Secretary

**Directors Present:** Aaron Praus, Chris Kreger, Josh Kraft, Jen Pickett, Joe Ruby, Sherwin Wanner, Todd Flynn

**Directors Absent:** Patty Fiorenza

**Others Present:** Kris Magstadt, Diana Trussell

# Approval of Agenda (Additions or Changes): Jennifer Pickett – President

**Kevin Magstadt moved to approve the Agenda, Aaron Praus seconded: Motion Carried**

# Secretary/Treasurer’s Report – Chris Kreger/Sherwin Wanner

## Secretary

Chris Kreger requested approval of the meeting minutes for the regular Board meetings of June 22, 2017.

**Aaron Praus moved to accept the Secretary’s report and minutes and Kevin Magstadt seconded: Motion Carried.**

## Treasurer

Sherwin Wanner reviewed the Treasurer’s report.

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| ND Solid Waste and Recycling Association Account Summary | |  |
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| Association Checking Account | $ 28,954.97 |  |
| Association Savings Account | $ 14,241.77 |  |
| Association CD Account | $ 8,408.71 |  |
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| Total Association Funds | $ 51,605.45 |  |
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| 2016 Association Budget Spent | $ 32,749.49 |  |
| 2016 Association Budget Remaining | $ (4,071.23) | Projected |

**Kevin Magstadt moved to accept the Treasurers Report, Todd Flynn Seconded: Motion carried.**

# Old Business

# ****Raffle****

Aaron Praus discussed the progress of Raffle Ticket sales. The Board discussed the most appropriate way to transfer the proceeds to the Treasurer. All proceeds shall be brought to the conference and collected there.

# Conference Business

# Budget – Aaron Praus

Aaron discussed the budget based on actual costs so far. A summary of anticipated costs comparing 2015 to the upcoming 2017 Conference is below.

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|  | **2015** |  | **2017** |
| **Food Total** | $35,476.77 |  | **$29,727.80** |
| **Misc. Total** | **$16,610.00** |  | **$19,757.00** |
| **Subtotal** | $52,086.77 |  | $49,484.80 |
| Contigency | $5,208.68 |  | $4,948.48 |
| **Total** | **$57,295.45** |  | **$54,433.28** |

**Aaron Praus moved to modify the proposed budget to delete the cloth bag expenditures and use the $500 savings to increase the Awards budget by $500. Motion includes a request to approve the budget as modified. Kevin Magstadt seconded the motion: Motion carried.**

# Mailings

Kris Magstadt discuss progress on mailings. All the mailings are out for the list on file, including membership and former sponsors and exhibitors.

# Awards

Kris Magstadt and Jennifer Picket discussed the various plagues and trophy ideas they had looked into.

# Event Portal

Jennifer Picket reported that the event portal is up and running.

# Scholarship and Award Submissions

No nominations for awards have yet been made. Discussion ensued regarding extending the submission deadline.

**Sherwin Wanner moved to extend the deadline for submission of the Scholarship and Award deadline to August 31, Todd Flynn seconded: Motion Carried**

Discussion ensued regarding a committee to review the awards. Jennifer, Todd and Kevin volunteered to be on the committee.

# Other conference items

Aaron Praus discussed Board nominations. Josh Kraft has decided not to run for another term. Aaron and other board members knew of some potential individuals who may be interested to run for the Board. Those who know them will contact them to encourage they join the nominations.

Discussion ensued regarding whether to charge registration fees for those who speak at the conference.

**Aaron Praus Move to waive registration fees for Conference speakers, Kevin Magstadt seconded: Motion Carried.**

# 2018 Conference

The 2018 Conference will be held in Dickinson. Aaron Praus discussed whether we should continue to discuss Medora as an entertainment option for this conference. After discussion, the Board consensus appeared to be not to continue looking at this option. Aaron recommended that we consider the Winery instead. There appeared to be interest in that option. Dates proposed for the conference are September 17th through the 20th.

**Kevin Magstadt moved to modify the contract with the Astoria for September 17th through the 20th, Todd Flynn seconded: motion carried.**

# Membership Business

# Invoices

66 Membership invoices have been returned paid. However, it was learned the membership portal is having trouble depositing funds to our account. Kris will contact Ecliptic regarding this issue.

# Efforts to increase Membership

Tabled to future meeting

# Other Business

Aaron encouraged Board members to consider officer positions at the Annual Meeting of the Board after Board member elections.

Kevin Magstadt introduced the idea of a Request for Proposals to solicit a higher interest rate for the Boards Certificate of Deposit.

The next meeting is August 24th at 9:30am Central Time.

Meeting adjourned 10:37am