

Minutes

Meeting name	Subject	Attendees	Action Items
Renewable Energy Working Group Conference Call	Board Meeting	S. Rupp T. Green J. Damm J. D'Augustine M. Whitby	1. Susan & Taber – discuss AWWI Solar Conf. 2. Task Activities Committee to develop webinar series 3. J. D'Augustine - Add webinar series to next newsletter
Meeting date	Time		
05-14-2021	1300-1400 EST		
Location			
Teleconference			

Meeting Minutes

1) Welcome/Roll Call

Meeting started at 1:03 PM Eastern

2) Old Business

- a) Review of Meeting Minutes for April Board Meeting
 - i) No changes. Minutes Approved and will be sent to Mariah to post.
- b) AWWI – solar symposium & AFWA survey (Taber)
 - i) Gain more information from Taber, then pass to Conference Committee.
 - ii) Conference has been approved for Department of Energy attendees.
- c) Update - S. Rupp to touch base with AFWA about bio-energy representation
 - i) Susan discussed availability of multi-state grants through AFWA.
 - ii) Susan also discussed Bioeconomy Development Opportunity Zones and the availability of \$1 Billion of capital for deployment into biobased infrastructure.
- d) TWS Webinars – Susan put in request for November slot; REWG going to start up- Activities Committee or Communications Committee
 - i) We've asked for a November time slot
 - ii) Discussed whether the REWG should develop a separate webinar series. Put topic in next newsletter to generate ideas and interests for speakers. Task Activities Committee to develop potential speakers and gather topics of interest/need.
 - iii) Discussion to be added to July 1 Member's Meeting Agenda
- e) Other Old Business?

3) New Business

- a) Subcommittee Reports (NOTE: We need to assign chairs to these committees!):
 - i) Communications Committee
 - (1) Updates on E-Wildlifer Announcements (Elections, Members' Meeting)
 - (2) TWS REWG Logo Contest To Be Announced Soon!!!!
 - (3) Next newsletter
 - ii) Operations Committee
 - (1) By-Laws still in revision
 - iii) Fundraising/Sponsorship Committee

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iv) Conference Committee

- (1) Committee to be tasked to work with T. Allison on AWWI-Solar conference

v) Activities Committee

- (1) To be tasked with developing Webinar Series

vi) Conservation Affairs Committee

- (1) J. D'Augustine raised the need for being able to comment on new legislation concerning renewable energy. Gave example of Virginia regulations for wind and solar. Other states likely have regulations being developed. REWG should weigh in.

- (2) Task the CAC to discuss and touch base with TWS – Conservation Affairs Network on process.

b) Next Members' Meeting

- i) Thursday, July 1st @ 3:00 pm (EST)
ii) What are our next goals with members?
- c) Next Exec Board meeting, June 11 1pm EST

4) **Close Meeting/Set Date**