Statewide Water Resources Committee Meeting

May 10, 2004
400 Market Street, RCSOB, Harrisburg, PA

Meeting Summary

Committee members attending
Donald Bluedorn
Janet Bowers
Rick Carlson
Carol R. Collier
Cathy Curran Myers
Nick DeBenedictis
Jerry Feldman
Tom Ford
Susan Fox-Marquart
Kate Harper
Joe Hoffman
Bob Long
David Mandelbaum
Jim MacKenzie
Gary Merritt
John Mizerak
Bill Morris
Howard Neukrug
Bill Nichols
Gary Petrewski
Bob Reichart
Rich Subasic
Paul Swartz
Alan Vicory
Bill Wehry
George Wolff
Matt Wolford

Committee members absent
Mike Donahue
Bud George
Bob Rosenthal
Emily White

DEP staff present
Pam Bishop
Jineen Boyle
Kerry Chippo
Bill Gast
Jennifer Handke
John Hines
Dave Jostenski
Lori Mohr
Leslie Sarvis
Sue Weaver

Guests
Tom Beauduy
Melanie Cook
Bill Gerlach
Thomas Kuhn (Executive Director for Bud George)
Welcome and Introductions
Cathy Curran Myers, Deputy Secretary Of Water Management, welcomed the committee and guests. Committee members and DEP staff introduced themselves.

Election of Interim Chair and Interim Vice-Chair
Interim Chair: George Wolff nominated Don Bluedorn.
Interim Vice-Chair: Jan Bowers nominated Jim MacKenzie.
Motion: Elect Bluedorn and MacKenzie as Interim Chair and Interim Vice-Chair
Made By: Susan Fox-Marquart
Seconded: Bill Morris
Outcome: Passed

Bylaws Discussion
Revise Article VI: Voting
Motion: In Article VI, replace “(16 members)” with “(16 voting members)”
Made By: Jim MacKenzie
Seconded: Bill Morris
Outcome: Passed

Revise Article XI: Amendment of By-Laws
Motion: Replace “(21 voting members)” with “(16 voting members)” and, add the word “voting: to the phrase “two-thirds vote of the voting statewide committee membership…”
Made By: Susan Fox-Marquart
Seconded: George Wolff
Outcome: Passed

Adopt Bylaws
Motion: Adopt revised bylaws
Made By: Bill Morris
Seconded: Nick DeBenedictis
Outcome: Passed

Update on Regional Committees
Each Regional Committee representative (Howard Neukrug, Matt Wolford, Bill Morris, Don Bluedorn, Bob Reichart, Gary Petrewski) gave a brief update on his respective Regional Committee activities.
**Act 220 Presentations**
John Hines presented an overview of Act 220.

Sue Weaver reviewed the role of Statewide Committee, which consisted of the statutory obligations of the Statewide Committee.

Dave Jostenski presented the State Water Plan Timeline/Schematic.

Motion: Conceptual approval of Timeline with the understanding that there may be deviations in the dates/subjects included on this conceptual rendering.
Made By: Jerry Feldman
Seconded: Bill Morris
Outcome: Passed

**Responsibilities**
John Hines discussed the Policies/Guidelines that the Statewide Committee will need to consider for the development of the components of the Regional Plans.

Bill Gast presented the Draft Discussion paper on Critical Water Planning Areas.

Lori Mohr and Leslie Sarvis presented the Public Education and Outreach Framework.

**Formation of Three Ad Hoc Workgroups/Subcommittees**
1. **Critical Water Planning Areas**
   Jan Bowers- Chair
   Carol Collier
   Nick DeBenedictis
   Gary Merritt
   Gary Petrewski
   Paul Swartz volunteered an SRBC representative

2. **Public Outreach** (Don Bluedorn and Carol Collier previously volunteered as Regional Committee members)
   Jim MacKenzie
   John Mizerak
   Bob Reichart
   Paul Swartz volunteered an SRBC representative- Susan Obleski, SRBC

3. **Policy and Integration**
   David Mandelbaum- Chair
   Jan Bowers
   Rick Carlson
Carol Collier  
Jerry Feldman  
Tom Ford  
Susan Fox-Marquart  
Joe Hoffman  
Jim MacKenzie  
Cathy Myers  
Rich Subasic  
George Wolff

Motion: Develop a Critical Water Planning Area Subcommittee, a Public Outreach Subcommittee, and a Policy/Integration Subcommittee.  
Made By: David Mandelbaum  
Seconded: Nick DeBenedictis  
Outcome: Passed

Motion: Committee will write a letter to the Governor to include the following: that the committee held their first meeting, the committee recommends Penn DOT be engaged in the development of the State Water Plan and to support funding for implementing Act 220.  
Made By: Nick DeBenedictis  
Seconded: George Wolff  
Outcome: Passed, with two abstentions: Tom Ford and Rick Carlson

Wrap-Up/Next Steps
Next Statewide Committee meeting will be scheduled in July  
Public Outreach Subcommittee to meet May 26  
CWPA Subcommittee and Policy and Integration Subcommittee to meet in June  
Add a public comment period at start of meeting to Statewide Committee agendas

Motion: Meeting adjourned at 3:05 PM.  
Made by: Bob Reichart  
Seconded: Matt Wolford  
Outcome: Passed