

Minutes of the
APDA Northwest Area
2013 Fall Meeting

Oct 13th – 16th, 2013
 Enzian Inn, Leavenworth, WA
 Hosts: DCPUD/CHPUD/GCPUD

***** Northwest Area Officers Present *****

President: Greg Rahn - AESO
Vice President: N/A
Secretary: David Bennett – BC Hydro
Treasurer: Chris McDarment - CHPD
Trustee: N/A

***** Members Present *****

Ron Whalen – EE NSW	Denise Hale - GCPD	Bobbie Roberts - NWE
Wayne MacDougald - AESO	Greg Rahn - AESO	Arlen Simon - DOPD
William Coe - GCPD	Steve Pope - PSE	Chris McDarment - CHPD
Michele Wynne – SW President	Kevin Conway - Intellibind	Shelby Burchett - DOPD
David Bennett – BCH		

The NW area business meeting was called to order on Oct 16th, 2013, at 8:12 AM. 12 NW Area members were present.

***** Previous Meeting Minutes *****

Minutes of the 2013 Spring meeting in Richmond, BC, May 13-16th, were read by Secretary Dave Bennett. Bobbie Roberts motioned to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Shelby Burchett. Motion carried.

***** Correspondence *****

None

***** Report of Area Secretary *****

None

******* Report of Area Treasurer *******

Chris McDarment reported a total NW area balance of \$28,130.32, as of Sept. 1st, 2013. Paid NW Area membership, as of the time of the meeting, was 268. Chris noted that dues are payable by Jan. 1st, as this is when the NW Area dues to the National are payable. There are also 35 members who have not yet paid 2013 dues.

******* Report of Area Trustee *******

Dave Bennett, NW Area Secretary, reported that there have been 2 National meetings since the last NW Area meeting: May 29-31 in Walker, MN, and Sept. 19-22 in Brainerd, MN. The National Area Secretary reported a total balance of \$77,928.81. Six winners of the various National scholarship awards were named at the National Spring meeting. Larry Bellnap, SW Area Trustee, completed APDA informational brochures, which will be distributed to all area contacts. Larry issued an invitation to all areas to attend a joint meeting in Las Vegas, Fall 2014. The National Area has passed on a discussion to the areas concerning the renaming of the APDA for discussion and voting. The WUMs area will take over the National offices after the next National Spring meeting, for which a date and time has not been set.

******* Report of Area President *******

None

*******Report of the Vice President*******

None

******* Report from the Committees *******

Shirt Committee

None

Scholarship Committee

Shelby Burchett thanked the NW Area for the scholarship his son Zachary had received. Zachary is attending WSU this fall.

Nominating Committee

Bobbie Roberts, Dave Bennett present. Bobbie Roberts made the following nominations on behalf of the committee: Arlen Simon, Vice President, Shelby Burchett, Treasurer, and William Coe, Trustee. The slate of nominations was accepted by the nominees, voted on by the members present, and carried.

******* Unfinished Business *******

Chris McDarment gave an update on the USB stick project, and hopes to complete it by the end of 2013.

Arlen Simon gave an update on the NW Area website update project, and is continuing to work with Ron Roy, and Gayle Taylor. He will give us an update at the 2014 Spring meeting.

Ron Roy and Arlen Simon continue to work on the NW Area website advertising issues brought up at the spring meeting, including links, logos, fee structures, etc.

Ron Roy was not present at the meeting to discuss his work on the possibility of a new "Commercial" membership type.

******* New Business *******

There was a discussion on how to get member dues in on time, and the possibility of a penalty for late dues, or a discount for early dues was discussed, and whether or not to suspend membership for delinquent dues. No motion was made, and it was decided to table the matter for further discussion at the next meeting.

Dave Bennett brought forward a discussion from the National concerning the changing of the name of the APDA to something more inclusive and accurate. Shelby Burchett made a motion to keep the APDA name the same. The motion was seconded by Greg Rahn, and carried.

******* Report of Accident and Sickness *******

Greg Rahn reported that AESO member Alex Witczak has completed treatment, and is doing well.

******* Good of the Association *******

Arlen Simon was thanked for putting on a great meeting.

*******Time and Date of the Next Meeting*******

The 2014 NW Area Spring meeting will be held June 2nd-5th, in Calgary, AB, hosted by AESO. The NW Area plans to participate in the SW Joint Meeting the week of Oct. 31st, 2014, at Las Vegas, NV. Arlen Simon will talk to EWEB about the possibility of holding a 2015 meeting. Ron Whalen, of EE-NSW, has also offered to host a future meeting in Sydney, Australia.

******* Announcements *******

None

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 AM, by President Greg Rahn.

Respectfully submitted
Dave Bennett – APDA NW Area Secretary

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“Keep the lights on and your feet up on the desk”