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**WPRA - Park Section**

Thursday, September 12, 2019

10:00 am

Online

MEETING AGENDA

1. Call meeting to order *@ 10:03 am*
2. Roll call *Present Dan Wick, Adam Breest, Dan Kremer, Vicky Redlin, Joleen Stinson, Erin Cross, Marcus Aumann, Kathy Gruentzel, Jennifer and Sandy from WPRA*
3. Review minutes from 5/24/2019

*Motion by Marcus and second by Joleen for approval. Motion carried*

1. Unfinished business
	1. 2019 Annual Conference
		1. Schedule at a Glance
			* + *Dan Kremer will send out the moderator schedule with updates to the section*
				+ *Dan Wick and Joleen Stinson each bring projector*
		2. Speaker Contracts
			* + *Section members must contact their speakers and confirm their room assignment and speaking time for the fall conference.*
				+ *WPRA office to send out confirmation information for hotel rooms to the entire park section*
	2. Spring Workshop 2020
		* + - *Middleton the location for 2020; Adam asked for feedback for topics and set up*
				- *Kathy stated hands on training has been the draw*
				- *School district topic mentioned*
				- *Hands on maintenance training for maintenance staff considered*
				- *Wick started discussion about if spring workshop should continue, numbers have dropped. Discussion followed regarding changes to increase numbers. Region meetings have changed format and may affect spring workshop.*
2. New Business
	1. Spring Workshop 2021 – Location
		* + - *Discussion on pricing for one day and training activities presented*
				- *Discussion on future location; will be selected about one year in advance*
				- *Lacrosse, Milwaukee, Marinette presented. Location may also be based on cool projects that are winning recent park section awards.*
				- *Committee decided to focus on 2020 spring workshop and make it the best possible and then evaluate 2021.*
	2. Professional and Young Professional of the Year
		* + - *1 YP nominated; 2 POF nominated*
	3. Park Design Awards
		* + - *Matt Amundson coordinating; Kremer and Amuann to coordinate with him*
	4. Appointment of Kathy Gruentzel as State Park/DNR Rep
		* + - *Motion by Kremer, second by Redlin to approve appointment. Motion carried*
3. Reports
	1. Chair – Dan Wick
		1. *Strategic plan by WPRA very positive*
		2. *New project 2020 is professional development committee creating speaker database*
		3. *Elections currently going on, please vote*
		4. *Section awards are due tomorrow*
		5. *WPRA working on streamlining the awards*
	2. Chair Elect – Adam Breest
		1. *Attended strategic plan*
		2. *Working on spring workshop as priority*
	3. Past Chair – Dan Kremer – *no report*
	4. Secretary/Treasurer – Vacant
	5. Region 1 – Steve Peterson
	6. Region 2 – Vicky Redlin *Meeting next Thursday @ Winnebago County, algae presentation*
	7. Region 3 – Joleen Stinson *Meet tomorrow in Monona, Cheryl from DNR presenting grant info*
	8. Region 4 – Erin Cross *Met at end of August, conference items being finalized*
	9. Representative at Large – Marcus Aumann *No report*
	10. Representative at Large – Patrick Groom
	11. State Park/DNR – Kathy Gruentzel *New reservation system, changing policies for sites; has been challenging to implement.*
	12. Urban Forestry Council – Tony Nowak
	13. WPRA – Jennifer - *Be ready for bylaws talk at fall general meeting. Will be helping each section have more visibility next year for the publications. Budget for section due by October*
4. Adjourn

*Motion Vicky; second Erin. Meeting adjourned at 10:59 am.*

Next Meeting: Friday, October 25, 2019 @ 10:30 am – Online