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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