

Maryland Recyclers Coalition, Inc.
 Board of Directors Meeting
 September 18, 2007
 cdm eCycling
 1607 Wicimico Street
 Baltimore, MD

CALL TO ORDER: Bob Stumpff called the meeting to order at 10:20 a.m.

Board Members Present (9):	Officer/Director:	Affiliation:	Contact Information (if new):
Bob Stumpff	Chairman	City of College Park	
Brian Ryerson	President	Office Paper Systems	
Virginia Lipscomb	Vice President	Citizen at Large	
Alan Wilcom	Secretary	Howard County	
Bob Ernst	Director	Harford County	
Mike Fannon	Director	cdm eCycling	
Pam Kasemeyer	Director	MD-DE Solid Waste Association	
Joan Plisko	Director	Hospitals for a Healthier Environment	
Ford Schumann	Director	Infinity Recycling	
Others Present:			
Denise Curry		Prince George's County	
Tim Dunn		Baltimore County	
Bill Griffith		Reduction in Motion	
Peter Houstle		Mariner Management	
Board Members Absent (7):			
Chaz Miller (1)	Treasurer	Citizen at Large (employer: NSWMA)	
Angie Green (1)	Director	Goodwill Industries	
Charlie Reighart (1)	Director	Baltimore County	
Bruce Norton (2)	Director	Constellation Energy	
Paula Reed (2)	Director	Abitibi Consolidated	
Lori Scozzafava (2)	Director	SWANA	
Craig Stuart-Paul (2)	Director	Citizen at Large	

INTRODUCTIONS

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

It was moved, seconded, and carried to elect Bob Stumpff, Chairman.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved, seconded, and carried to approve the May 15, 2007 Board of Directors Minutes. It was moved, seconded, and carried to approve the June 6, 2007 Annual Meeting Minutes. It was moved, seconded, and carried to approve the July 19, 2007 Board of Directors Minutes. As a note, Alan Wilcom thanked Charlie Reighart for taking the minutes for the July board meeting.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Brian Ryerson reported that there were currently 2 vacant board seats (Steve Kullen and Kemba Saibou). Bob Stumpff read Steve Kullen's resignation letter. Brian asked for any suggestions to fill the vacancies. After some discussion, it was moved, seconded, and carried to appoint Bob Ernst to Steve Kullen's board seat. Kemba's board seat is still vacant.

TREASURER'S REPORT

It was moved, seconded, and carried to approve the Treasurer's Report for June 2007. It was moved, seconded, and carried to approve the Treasurer's Report for July 2007. For the statement ending on August 31, there was some discussion about the difference between Net and Ordinary Income. Peter Houstle also noted \$500 is budgeted for grants and awards which no budgeted money has been spent for the past 2 years. It was further explained the money budgeted there is for scholarships. It was moved, seconded, and carried to approve the Treasurer's Report for September 2007.

MDE REPORT

No report.

LEGISLATIVE & POLICY COMMITTEE

Pam Kasemeyer believes that since the new administration has settled, the Maryland legislative session for 2008 potential could be busy with solid waste issues like a permit fee for landfills that could fund MDE's Solid Waste Program.

AWARDS COMMITTEE

No report

BYLAWS COMMITTEE

No report

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

No report.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Peter reported that next years conference date has been confirmed for June 25 and 26 at the University of Maryland Stamp Student Union Building. There will be different rooms reserved that will provide more space for exhibitors. In addition, the MRC will need University of Maryland's Facility Department as a sponsor to secure a discounted rate for using the facility. Bob Ernst discussed SWANA's involvement thus far for the 3 previous conferences. The original deal with SWANA was to give SWANA \$1,500 from sponsorship revenue. For the past 3 years SWANA has always given the \$1,500 back as seed money for start-up expenses for the following year's conference. It appeared to some board members that SWANA needed a better agreement. It was moved, seconded, and carried to provide SWANA with a check for \$4,500 (\$1,500 for each of the past 3 conferences). It was discussed for a separate committee staffed by both the MRC and SWANA to be created to organize and operate the conference, however due to accountability issues the idea was dropped. Also, it was discussed for an agreement to be created between SWANA and the MRC to detail each body's level of commitment and provide for a more fair financial arrangement. Peter was instructed to see if more reusable flatware could be used, the available of food waste composting of conference food waste, and to have more health and locally produced food options. Peter is also to look into using Turf Valley as a possible future conference venue.

PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

No report.

MEMBERSHIP & OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Joan Plisko reported that the committee is planning 3 separate events for members to attend. Prince George's County has offered to have a tour of their new single stream recycling MRF. Joan will work out the details.

AMERICA RECYCLES DAY

No report.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

No report.

ROC REPORT

No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bob Stumpff passed out proposed by-laws changes for the rolling membership change. It was decided to table this change until next month's hoping more board members will attend. Peter discussed the Strategic Planning write-up he emailed board members. It was an outline with a core focus of what the MRC does and stands for as an organization. It was decide to table this until more board members are present.

NEW BUSINESS

There was a discussion about changing next month's meeting date, however all agreed to have it remain on the October 16.

It was moved, seconded, and carried to present Steve Kullen with a \$100 American Express gift card.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bob Ernst announced that Harford County will be holding a HHW event at their landfill on November 3.

Denise Curry announced that Prince George's County will be holding an Electronics Recycling Event and the MRF is nearing completion.

Joan Plisko announced a pilot program for blue wrap film was occurring with collection from cdm eCycling.

Tim Dunn announced that Baltimore County has a HHW event scheduled and over 1,000,000 pounds of electronics have been collected through their permanent collections program.

Mike Fannon announced that the City of Annapolis is holding an electronics collections event, and 2 events are scheduled in Harford County.

Alan Wilcom announced that currently Howard County is bidding its Recyclables Processing and HHW contracts. In addition, Howard County delivered 5,000 recycling carts and bins to a residential collection area as a pilot.

REVIEW OF TASKS

Peter Houstle will investigate the use of reusable flatware and food waste composting for the conference site. In addition, he will look into a more health conscious and locally grown menu options at the next conference. Also, Peter will look into Turf Valley as a host location for future year conferences.

ADJOURNED: 11:45 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, October 16, 2007 – 10:00 a.m.
City of College Park, MD
Davis Hall
9217 51st Avenue
College Park, MD 20740-1947

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Wilcom