## Alabama Section of the American Water Resources Association

## **Board Meeting Minutes**

Date: Friday, July 27, 2012

Location: Go-to-meeting/Conference call

Members Present: George Marodis, Amanda Fleming, Todd Boatman, Sam Fowler; Stan Cook, Ashley McVicker

Minutes of the June 8, 2012 meeting were approved.

501(c)(3) status – No further communication has been received from the IRS regarding 501c3 status .

Financial Report - Todd gave a verbal financial report. Balances are \$9,858.45 in checking and \$1,094.60 in savings. It was determined that check #1008 for \$750 was to the IRS for non-profit status filing.

Sponsorships – There was brief discussion about using PayPal to collect sponsorships. The consensus was that this should be an option. Confirmed sponsors are Alabama Power, Alabama Pulp and Paper, Alabama Coal Association, and AMEC. Other potential sponsors not yet confirmed are BP and CH2M Hill.

Social/Reception -- There was consensus that the menu for the AWRA reception on Thursday evening of the conference would be the same as last year (i.e., chips, dip, wine, beer, nuts, etc.) Stan will confirm with Kay and/or Jennifer. The reception would be paid directly by the AWRA section since it involves alcohol and cannot be billed to the AU master account.

Student Awards – It was agreed to wait until we hear from IRS regarding the 501(c)3 status before making a final decision about paying for student awards with a check during the conference. If we have not heard anything from the IRS, the final decision will be made Wednesday at the Symposium.

Student Housing – Sam Fowler reported that so far 2 males and 4 females have requested free student lodging.

Symposium status – All speakers are confirmed. There was brief discussion about laptops and AV equipment. AU will provide projectors and laptops as back-ups. Stan will follow-up with Jennifer McIntire at the PBR on set-up (skirted table for 6) and microphones (probably 4 wireless). Stan was approved to purchase speaker gifts at ~\$25/each. Stan will solicit brief bios from all Symposium speakers. Sam will check to ensure all Symposium speakers are registered.

Ballot for 2012 election – Amanda will bring ~ 200 ballots for election at business meeting. The certificates will be emailed afterwards.

If needed we will have another conference call prior to the Symposium. If not we will meet and discuss any final matters at the Symposium.

The meeting was adjourned.