

**South Carolina Mitigation Association
Executive Committee
Meeting Minutes
December 14, 2021
Video Conference**

I. Opening

The regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the South Carolina Mitigation Association was called to order at 9:04 AM via Zoom by Allen Conger, the SCMA President.

Attending:

Allen Conger	Kristin Knight-Meng
Tara Allden	Ross Nelson
Tommy Cousins	Sydni Redmond
Daniel Johnson	Ryan Smith
Adrienne Graham	

II. Approval of Previous Minutes

Ross Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes of November 9, 2021. Ryan Smith seconded the motion, which carried.

III. Financial Report

Mr. Nelson reviewed the financial report and asked the Executive Committee to review the draft budget before the next meeting. He commented that the scholarship line had been added and the workshop line will be adjusted.

IV. Quarterly Meeting

- Mr. Conger reported that the SCDOT had confirmed for the December 15 meeting.
- Mr. Conger reviewed the slate of candidates for nomination:
 - Ross Nelson, President
 - Daniel Johnson, Vice President
 - Kristin Knight-Meng, Secretary
 - Sydni Redmond, Treasurer
 - Tara Allden
 - Allen Conger
 - Tommy Cousins
 - Doug Hughes
 - Ryan Smith
 - Chris Ryan

Jack Smith will step down but continue to advise as needed. Ms. Allden will confirm that the slate is final and that nominations will not be accepted from the floor since the deadline had passed.

Ms. Allden noted that the Executive Committee should review the bylaws at the next meeting to clarify language:

The Vice-President/Co-Chair will succeed the President/Co-Chair following completion of the President/Co-Chair's two-year term.

The Vice-President may succeed the President following completion of the President's two-year term.

Larry Faulkenberry contacted the SCMA about getting on the agenda at the meeting. He will discuss the unfair treatment of small mitigation banks and what the Association is doing to assist them.

- Adrienne Graham will send proposed dates for the 2022 quarterly meetings.

V. Member Care

- Mr. Conger reminded the committee to watch for 2022 invoices in January.

VI. Old Business

- Mr. Conger has reached out to David Wilson and copied Amanda Heath at USACE multiple times to set up a follow-on meeting and to suggest regular meetings. There has been no response. Doug Hughes and others will bring this up with Mr. Wilson during their conversations and push for the meeting. This is especially important with a change in the SCMA leadership in 2022.
- Mr. Conger is awaiting a response from Congressman Clyburn on a meeting to discuss the mitigation industry and its importance to SC economy and environment. He
- Daniel Johnson and Mr. Nelson have continued discussions with DNR and the USACE on a mitigation workshop including the SQT. They will investigate the costs in January.

VII. New Business

- Ms. Redmond reported the Partnership Committee will focus on the scholarship application and timeline. Mr. Nelson seconded the motion, which carried. They will continue to pursue the social media project. Ms. Redmond will draft a holiday email to be sent to passed speakers, members and partners.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 15, 2021, 2:00 PM – Quarterly Meeting
Tuesday, January 11, 2022, 9:00 AM

Minutes submitted by: Kristin Knight-Meng

Approved by: