

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

**I. Opening**

The regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the South Carolina Mitigation Association was called to order at 9:00 AM via Zoom by Allen Conger, the SCMA President.

**Attending:**

Allen Conger	Daniel Johnson
Tara Allden	Kristin Knight-Meng
Tommy Cousins	Sydni Redmond
Doug Hughes	Jack Smith
Adrienne Graham	

**II. Approval of Previous Minutes**

Sydni Redmond made a motion to approve the minutes of August 10, 2021. Tommy Cousins seconded the motion, which carried.

**III. Quarterly Meeting**

- Mr. Conger is awaiting confirmation from David Wilson, USACE, about speaking at the October 13 meeting.
- Kat Hoenke with the Southeast Aquatic Resources Partnership (SARP) has confirmed.
- Mr. Conger reminded the Executive Committee to invite all staff.

**IV. Member Care**

- The SCMA currently has 15 non-voting and 21 voting members.
- Adrienne Graham will send informational emails to potential new members. If the Executive Committee has any changes to the list circulated by Daniel Johnson in July, please send them to Ms. Graham by September 17.

**V. Old Business**

- Doug Hughes reported there is nothing new on the credit evaluations. The USACE may want to keep their options open for large credit programs. We may not have any firm guidance until the new SOP is released. Mr. Hughes suggested that the SCMA keep communicating with the USACE on this issue. The SCMA would like input.
- Mr. Conger will follow up with David Wilson to set another meeting. He will propose a bi-annual meeting in June and December.
- Mr. Conger will also confirm the details of the December 15 Quarterly Meeting on Regulatory Topics with the USACE.
- Mr. Conger will prioritize getting a meeting with US Congressman, James Clyburn. Tara Allden volunteered to attend as well. Mr. Hughes stated that telling the USACE that the SCMA met with Congressman Clyburn would be critical.
- Ms. Redmond reported that a scholarship policy and procedure document had been developed. The Partnership Committee proposed starting the fund with \$1,000 from the SCMA budget. Eligible applicants would be junior or senior college students in a relevant field. The Partnership

Committee would plan to grow this through fundraising activities. Annie Wilson, Capitol Consultants partner and attorney, will review the document and send any comments back to the Partnership Committee. The SCMA scholarship should be ready for promotion in 2022.

- Mr. Conger will contact the SCDOT to confirm their commitment on the Mitigation Workshop. ACEC would also like to partner/sponsor.
- Mr. Conger will review the USACE minutes from the June meeting and give to Ms. Graham to publish on the member area of the website. The minutes were sent to David Wilson to review but he has not received any comments.

## **VI. New Business**

- The Partnership is still seeking assistance with the Social Media program. Ms. Graham will circulate the eblast again. Ms. Redmond will follow up with Ross Nelson on a contact in his company. The goal is to have a presence by the end of the year.
- Kristin Knight-Meng reported the Technical Committee will have a conversation with Mr. Conger and Mr. Johnson on the scope of the Committee. Chris Ryan will meet with David Wilson and will try to review the SOP draft.

## **VII. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:47 AM

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 12, 2021, 9:00 AM

Minutes submitted by: Kristin Knight-Meng

Approved by: