

**South Carolina Mitigation Association
Executive Committee
Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2022
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 Ross Nelson, the SCMA President.

Attending:

Allen Conger	Ross Nelson
Doug Hughes	Sydni Redmond
Daniel Johnson	Chris Ryan
Kristin Knight-Meng	Ryan Smith
Adrienne Graham	

II. Approval of Previous Minutes

Allen Conger made a motion to approve the minutes of December 14, 2021. Sydni Redmond seconded the motion, which carried.

Chris Ryan made a motion to approve the December Quarterly Meeting minutes. Allen Conger seconded the motion, which carried.

III. Financial Report

Ms. Redmond reviewed the budget. It was noted the association will need to seek sponsors to balance the budget this year given an expected increase in meeting and workshop costs. Sponsors would be allowed to briefly share about their company. The Partnership Committee will spearhead identifying sponsors. Committee members should also be encouraged to utilize their budget items.

Ms. Redmond made a motion to approve the budget. Mr. Ryan seconded the motion, which carried.

Adrienne Graham will send the year end financials prior to the next meeting.

IV. Quarterly Meeting

The Quarterly Member Meeting schedule is:

1st Quarter: March 9, Charleston

2nd Quarter: June 15, Greenville

3rd Quarter: October 19, Columbia

4th Quarter: December 7, Charleston

Committee discussed if there would be enough interest in holding a meeting in Greenville. It was agreed to try it this year. A great speaker will help attendance.

March 9 will be in Charleston. Mr. Nelson noted that in the past this has been a working meeting for committees to recruit new members and to plan their year.

Mr. Nelson and Daniel Johnson will reach out to the USACE and Will Harman on the SQT. With the SQT going live in early 2022 a workshop explaining the instruments would take precedence. Mr. Nelson will invite David Wilson since the meeting will be in Charleston.

Ms. Graham will contact Jack Smith about space.

V. Member Care

Ecosystem Planning and Restoration has sent 2022 Membership dues as a voting member. The Committee discussed whether actual approval is needed for new members. The bylaws state: Membership in the Association shall be subject to the approval of the Association's Executive Committee.

Membership invoices will be sent soon.

VI. Old Business

Mr. Nelson will contact the USACE to try to set a follow up meeting and suggest a regularly scheduled meeting.

Mr. Conger will continue to reach out to Rep Clyburn's office.

Mr. Ryan will reach out to David Wilson at the USACE on the SQT.

Mr. Johnson may serve on a committee evaluating the SQT nationally. He will keep the Technical Committee apprised.

VII. New Business

Ms. Redmond reported the Partnership Committee will focus on the scholarship application and timeline. They will continue to pursue the social media project.

Mr. Ryan will request a brief written report from the Technical Committee Chair, Tory Grayson, prior to each Executive Committee meeting.

Mr. Nelson and Mr. Johnson are ready to support all the committees.

New Business

Mr. Nelson stated the goals of the Executive Committee for 2022 should include promotion of the SCMA statewide. There should be a concentrated effort on education outreach. Mr. Nelson stated the Committee with the assistance of Capitol Consultants will clean up the bylaws this year.

Mr. Nelson requested Capitol Consultants assistance in monitoring the Conservation and Antiquities Act. Ms. Graham will relay this to Annie Wilson.

Mr. Nelson thanked Allen Conger for all of his hard work as President from 2020 – 2021.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:06 AM.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 8, 2022, 9:00 AM

Minutes submitted by: Kristin Knight-Meng

Approved by: