



CWEA Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 29, 2024

12:30 PM – 1:45 PM

Bayfront Ballroom

Roland E. Powell Convention Center
Ocean City, MD

Board (2023-24 & 2024-25) Attendance: Clarence Beverhoudt, Gary Moore, Alana Gildner, Jegnaw Essatu, Kraig Moodie, Cheryl Paulin, Ellen Frketic, Laura Oakes, Chaka Kamran, David Wildasin, Gian Cossa, WEF Representative – Janet Hurley Cann, P.E., Deputy Treasurer – Alan Will

Call to Order by President Clarence Beverhoudt – meeting called to order 12:30 pm.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Alan Will, Deputy Treasurer

- Alan Will reported on the current financial status of CWEA.

INTRODUCTION OF THE HEAD TABLE – Clarence Beverhoudt

INTRODUCTION OF WEF REPRESENTATIVE – Clarence introduced Janet Hurley Cann, P.E.

- Janet gave her presentation; speaking on WEF's strategic plan, giving a WEF update, and telling her "Water Story."
- WEF Delegates, Ellen Frketic and Laura Oakes presented Janet with a Chesapeake WEA Thank You gift for attending our conference.

HIRAM LEE TANNER, JR. YP TRI-CON SCHOLARSHIP – Clarence Beverhoudt

- Clarence announced that Alexis Wingfield was the scholarship awardee.

CWEA AWARDS – Clarence Beverhoudt

- OPS Challenge Announcement – Kraig Moodie, OPS Challenge Chair
 - Kraig announced the OPS Challenge winners.
 - He announced that DC Water was the Chesapeake WEA local winning team.
- Golden Raindrop Award – Justin Bell, Stormwater Vice-Chair
 - Justin presented the award to David Gleason.
- Golden Manhole Award – Carlos Espinoza, Collection Systems Committee member
 - Carlos presented the award to Tim Wolfe, a close friend of Carlos's.
- Rising Star Award – Clarence Beverhoudt
 - Clarence announced the awardee was Carlos Mejia, YP Committee Chair.
- Association Advocate Award – Clarence Beverhoudt
 - Clarence presented the award to Kishia Powell of WSSC Water for her encouragement and support of associate involvement with Chesapeake WEA.
- Special Recognition – Traci Storm
 - Traci presented Cheryl Paulin with a gift for her dedicated, long term service to Chesapeake WEA, as she was rolling off the board and her new employment would take her out of the Chesapeake area.

- 5 S Presentations – Gary Moore
 - After costume changes, a pledge, and related song, Gary presented/announced the 5S Golden Shovels to Chaka Kamran, Yvette Judge, and Charles Poskas.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE 2024-2025 BOARD OF OFFICERS - Clarence Beverhoudt

- Clarence announced the new Chesapeake WEA Board for the 2024-2025 year.
 - Past-President – Clarence Beverhoudt
 - President – Gary Moore
 - President-Elect – Alana Gildner
 - Vice-President – Jegnaw Essatu
 - WEF Delegate – Ellen Frketic
 - WEF Delegate – Laura Jo Oakes
 - Secretary – Kraig Moodie
 - Treasurer – Danielle Sheahan
 - Maryland Trustee – David Wildasin
 - DC Trustee – Jessica Shiao
 - DE Trustee – Chaka Kamran
 - Utility Member Representative – Yvette Judge
 - CTA Representative – to be announced
- Passing of the Gavel – Clarence Beverhoudt
 - Clarence presented Gary with the Chesapeake WEA Presidential Gavel.
- Past-President's Award – Gary Moore
 - Gary presented Clarence with the Past-President's Award for his year of service as Chesapeake WEA's President.
- New President's Message – Gary Moore
 - Gary gave his message as incoming Chesapeake WEA's President and his expectation for the year.
- Announcements – Gary Moore
 - Gary reminded the attendees of Chesapeake WEA's upcoming events.
- Adjourn Business Meeting – Gary Moore
 - Gary adjourned the Annual Business Meeting at 1:45 PM.