MINUTES
American Society of Mining and Reclamation
National Executive Committee
Thursday June 6, 2013
1600-1800

NEC Present
President: Bob Nairn
Past President: Bruce Buchanan
Executive Secretary: Dick Barnhisel
Robert Darmody
Members: Len Ballek
Michele Coleman
Jennifer Franklin
Jarvis Harper
Bob Dunker
Barry Stewart

NEC Absent
President Elect: Joe Friedlander

Invited Guests Present
Early Career Representative: Lisa Cox
Awards Committee: Jerry Schuman
Scholarship Committee: Barry Stewart
Laramie Meeting Committee: Pete Stahl

Invited Guests Absent
Student Representative: Hannah Angel
Reclamation Matter editor: Jeff Skousen
Financial Committee: Eddie Bearden

Agenda Items
Called to order at 1631

1. Reclamation Matters - Bob Nairn
   1.1 Nairn - Spoke with Skousen and he's willing to include articles from
       industries like aggregate reclamation; Nairn will work to pull articles in
   1.2 Nairn - post photos and bios of Major Award winners and Scholarship
       winners in Reclamation Matters issue BEFORE June 2014 meeting with final
       conference agenda

2. Laramie Meeting Recap - Pete Stahl
2.1 Stahl - what a great society; had lots of help from ASMR and locally; enjoyed hosting meeting
2.2 Barnhisel - final finances will be discussed on August conference call.

3. Major Awards Revisited - Bruce Buchanan
   3.1 Buchanan - suggests two new awards: 1) project award for industry or consulting and 2) early career professional award
   3.2 Stewart - these would be different applicant pools so should work
   3.3 Schuman - the Awards Committee would be willing to consider it; committee includes Schuman, Sencindiver, Skousen, Belden, Vance, Schroeder
   3.4 **MOTION:** Buchanan - charge Schuman and Awards Committee to develop proposal to NEC for new project and early career professional awards
   3.5 Second by Coleman
   3.6 Approved unanimously

4. National meetings program/schedule - Bob Nairn
   4.1 Awards Banquet/luncheon - Nairn proposes early in week, preferably a dinner Monday evening; NEC concurs
   4.2 Field tours - Discussion on when to hold field tours; NEC Consensus - NOT during meeting if at all possible; before and/or after meeting; Nairn proposes after meeting in OKC '14.
   4.3 Early Career Professionals Social - Discussion on when to hold event; NEC Consensus - as early in week as possible; Nairn proposes Tuesday evening at meeting in OKC '14.
   4.4 Social Dinner - Discussion on when to hold event; NEC consensus on last full night; Nairn proposes Wednesday evening at meeting in OKC '14.
   4.5 Other ideas
      4.5.1 Dunker - Career Fair for students and young professionals; perhaps a special symposia/session for help with professional development
      4.5.2 Darmody - symposia/special session on dredged sediment contamination and reclamation
      4.5.3 Barnhisel - salinity workshop here a big hit (40+ attendees) by Jay Norton and Calvin Strom; GIS workshop also a big hit; find local issue to emphasize for workshops
      4.5.4 Harper - sage grouse was big issue in Laramie; what about prairie chicken in Oklahoma?
      4.5.5 Ballek - what about having speakers at luncheons? Something short and sweet 10-15 minutes on a local issue?
4.5.6 Nairn - considering having "scavenger hunt" type event in OKC ’14; something to get folks to enjoy location and win prizes; maybe Tuesday night after Early Career event

4.5.7 Coleman - would like to have new running club on program for 2014; just a meet at 630 AM at a given location; even have new name "Hauling ASMR"; also need to include Wild Women of Reclamation

4.5.8 Coleman - provide post-conference survey, include in registration packet and have box to collect surveys, use lunches to announce and ask for return of surveys

5. Revisiting ASMR/WRRC profit/loss split - Bob Nairn
   5.1 Nairn - ASMR needs to maintain established and productive relationship with active members in Wyoming. Therefore, would like to revisit previously approved 66% ASMR/33% WRRC profit/loss split for Laramie ’13 meeting and consider a 60% ASMR/40% WRRC profit/loss split.
   5.2 MOTION: Stewart - Approve 60% ASMR / 40% WRRC profit/loss split for Laramie ’13 national meeting.
   5.3 Second by Buchanan
   5.4 Approved unanimously

6. Student Travel Awards Protocol - Bob Nairn
   6.1 Nairn - Protocol for awards unknown to NEC; asks for explanation.
   6.2 Barnhisel - Students submit applications; they must be presenting (oral or poster) at national meeting. Barnhisel and Chris Barton review applications and decide recipients. Typically able to support all or almost all applicants.
   6.3 Nairn - Transfer responsibility to Darmody and perhaps new Early Career NEC representative (to be determined). Must notify students of award at least one month in advance of meetings if not earlier; one week notice in 2013 was way too late to make travel arrangements.

7. Journal of ASMR - Dick Barnhisel
   7.1 Barnhisel - Currently accepting papers for "case studies, demonstrations and research"
   7.2 Barnhisel - Editorial Board Meeting held in Laramie on Tuesday morning; not much accomplished as several members left for Wamsutter field trip.
   7.3 Nairn - expressed concern over confusion on submissions. We need a straightforward submission, review, editing and publication process and we are far from that; would like to revisit classification of papers in future NEC call.
7.4 Barnhisel - wants to serve as Editor-in-Chief of JASMR and wants paid to do so; $150-200 per month. Nairn - this will be discussed at a future NEC meeting.

8. 2016 meeting update - Bob Darmody

8.1 Darmody - received email from Skousen about possible collapsing of NASLR and NAAMLP into ASMR; perhaps first step could be joint meeting; NAAMLP meets somewhere in Montana in 2016.

8.2 Darmody - another idea is to go to Australia in 2016; several NEC members raised concerns about cost

8.3 Darmody - will talk more with Skousen

9. New Media/Web Page/Publicity/Society Branding - Bob Nairn

9.1 Nairn - 2013 Laramie meeting program does not include ASMR logo except in supporters section; hardly good branding for the society!

9.2 Nairn - ASMR needs a better web presence. We have made improvements but we can do so much more. If we want to keep young people involved, we need to make changes.

9.3 Nairn - same goes for FaceBook (it's useless as is, as it is hardly ever updated), LinkedIn, etc.

9.4 Nairn - based on Sunday's NEC meeting, Darmody will take lead on ASMR's web presence in all its forms. Younger members who have expressed interest in helping him include Julie LaBar, Michael Curry, Lisa Cox and Abby Wick.

9.5 Nairn - online survey will include questions on FaceBook, LinkedIn, ASMR web page, Journal, Proceedings, Reclamation Matters.

10. Student/Early Career Representative to NEC - Bob Nairn

10.1 Nairn - Motion approved at 061412 NEC meeting regarding appointment of student and early career NEC members violated ASMR's bylaws and is therefore moot. The bylaws currently state: Article V. Section A. "The NEC will be the ASMR Executive Board and shall be comprised of the President, President-Elect, immediate Past-President, four Representative members (hereafter referred to as NEC Delegates) elected by the ASMR membership, a Technical Division Representative (hereafter referred to as the NEC TD Rep) selected by the TD Chairpersons or elected by the ASMR Membership, and the Executive Secretary who will be an ex-officio member." Furthermore, they currently also state: Article VI. Section A - Elections 1. The ASMR will annually elect from its members a President-Elect of the NEC. The President-Elect of the NEC shall serve as the NEC Secretary and succeed to the position of President of the NEC after the
ASMR Annual Meeting Awards Luncheon and will serve as President in the current President’s absence. The President of the NEC, following her/his year as president, shall succeed to Past-President of the NEC. 2. The ASMR will annually elect from its members two NEC Delegates who will hold office for a period of two years. Their official duties will begin at the first NEC meeting during the National Meeting following their election and will conclude after serving two years. 3. The NEC TD Rep will be selected by the TD Chairpersons and will hold office for two years, with a possible extension of one year if approved by a majority TD Chairperson vote. All newly elected TD Reps will begin serving following the National Meetings and are encouraged to attend the Wednesday NEC meeting of the year he/she is elected.

10.2 Nairn - Therefore, Nairn volunteered to rewrite the portion of the bylaws to address the desires of the NEC regarding new NEC members in the student and early career categories, and providing maximum flexibility (e.g., at least four members but not to exceed ten).

10.3 Buchanan - Need to get this change approved before next election cycle. Nominations committee (past president and two outgoing delegates so Buchanan, Luther and Stahl) will need at least two nominees for student, early career, TD representative, NEC member as well as president.

11. Executive Secretary Transition - Bob Nairn

11.1 Nairn - 061412 Motion regarding termination of Barnhisel's contract and status as Executive Secretary states in part that ASMR would "continue to provide compensation to Dick Barnhisel until September 30, 2013 and cease all financial compensation at that time". However, the ASMR fiscal year ends October 31, not September 30. This issue will need to be addressed in a future NEC call with a new motion.

11.2 Nairn - States unequivocally that he plans to treat Darmody as Executive Secretary from this point forward. He has been paid since January and will need to assume full responsibilities of position with Barnhisel providing a supporting role only.

11.3 Barnhisel - request additional compensation because he will need to handle IRS matters for ASMR through 12/31/13.

11.4 Nairn - we will discuss at future NEC call.

12. 2013 Elections - Bruce Buchanan

12.1 Buchanan - will need at least two nominees for TD representative, two NEC member positions and president, and if approved by NEC in time, student
and early career representatives (total of 12 names for six positions). Potential names from NEC would be appreciated.

13. Conference call dates - Bob Nairn
   13.1 Nairn - Gotomeeting.com contract will expire in August. Do we want to renew? NEC consensus was a unanimous yes. Nairn will work with Darmody to renew contract.
   13.2 Nairn - A common recurring day and time for NEC web meetings/calls would be helpful for planning purposes. Suggestion is Wednesdays 10 AM Central Time. Will follow up with everyone when they have calendars available.

14. Other business
   14.1 None

15. Adjourn
   15.1 MOTION: Buchanan to adjourn
   15.2 Seconded by Nairn
   15.3 Approved unanimously.

Adjourned 1808.