



National Conference on Weights & Measures
Associate Membership Committee Meeting Agenda
2021 Annual Conference
Wednesday, July 21, 2021
Rochester, New York

NCWM AMC Meeting Agenda

- 1) Call to order 16:59
- 2) Minutes from the January Zoom meeting were read and unanimously approved.
- 3) Review of AMC financial statements from treasurer
 - a) AMC has a total of \$42,482.57 available for W&M training in 2021.
 - b) There are \$4310.00 in pending payments.
 - c) The financial statement was unanimously approved.
- 4) Board of Directors Update
 - a) Chris Guay gave the following update:
 - i) **Notes from the Board Meeting (July 2021)**
 - ii) **For July 2021 AMC Meeting**
 - iii) Ray Johnson (NM) retired from New Mexico July 1st and has resigned from the NCWM Board.
 - iv) Jack Walsh (MA) will be resigning from the Board after the NCWM meeting. His wife is dealing with health issues.
 - v) Doug Olsen is retiring from NIST in August, 2021. Dr. Katrice Lippa is the new Chief of OWM effective this week. Doug is acting OWM Chief for this meeting.
 - vi) The Board continues to discuss the question of whether FALS should be a standing committee, adopt procedures to provide better operating procedures and/or revise the way they provide input to the conference. One question is whether the NCWM Bylaws should be updated to help all Subcommittees and the standing committees to whom they report.
 - vii) There is some thought of allowing associate members to write articles for inclusion in the NCWM newsletter to provide more perspective on their equipment/uses.

- viii) 826 paid NCWM Associate Members for 2021 as of July 1st – close to previous years.
Membership invoices for 2022 have been sent out (due September).
- ix) Western and Southern regions are planning hybrid annual meetings for 2021 fall regional meetings. Central Interim is planned to be a hybrid as of now. NE interim will be virtual.
- x) Overall Active membership declined a little – question is whether numbers will drop further next year.
- xi) The Board is looking at whether 2022 Interim Meeting and Annual Meeting should be virtual, hybrid or in-person. Hybrid meetings are more complicated and costly to host. Registration fee for this meeting would have been to be ~\$800 to cover cost of this meeting due to audio costs. Audio quotes for this meeting started at >\$200K. NCWM bought some equipment and negotiated price down to about half of quoted price.
- xii) VCAP audit frequency extensions to 5 years were discussed and the Board does not believe sufficient data exist to extend the audit frequency.
- xiii) The Board is looking at how to get the Safety Subcommittee working more actively again. They are looking at new Chairs and members. Associate members with an interest in the Safety Subcommittee are encouraged to reach out to Board members.
- xiv) Should NCWM be doing more for the 4 regions in terms of training, technical support, building capability (and capacity)?
- xv) The Board is watching the L&R question regarding editorial change to determine if changes are needed in Committee handbooks and/or bylaws.

5) Old Business

- i) Wisconsin and New York State are the only two entities to apply for AMC assistance so far in 2021.

6) New Business

- a) No new applications have been submitted.
- b) Chuck Ehrlich stated via Zoom if anyone is interested in attending meetings regarding digitalization services, where computers obtain digital information for items such as remote verifications, contact him. Charles.ehrlich@nist.gov
- c) Bill Miller suggested AMC look at their bylaws to see if setting up a scholarship with AMC funds if we continue to have a lack of applications is acceptable.
- d) New AMC officers appointed by unanimous vote.
 - i) Committee Chair – Ron Gibson, Seraphin.
 - ii) Vice Chair – Bill Callaway, Crompco
 - iii) Secretary/Treasurer- Jim Pettinato, TechnipFMC

7) Meeting adjourned at 17:29.

Attendees:

Bob Wiese	NW Tank
Chris Guay	CGGT
Bill Miller	Mettler Toledo
Bill Callaway	Crompco
Ross Vires	Mettler Toledo
Jim Pettinato	TechnipFMC
James Eaton	Cyndes Solutions
Brent Price	Gilbarco
Scott Nelson	Cyndes Solutions
Chuck Ehrlich – Via Zoom	NIST
Christie Cordova – Via Zoom	Georgia-Pacific
Marc Buttler – Via Zoom	
Ralph Richter – Via Zoom	NIST