



Queen City ACHMM Chapter Meeting Minutes

Date: May 24, 2005

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: The Olive Garden Restaurant, Charlotte, NC

Members In Attendance

See attachment 1 for attendance.

Welcome and Call To Order

Jim Reece opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. Meeting was called to order at 6pm.

Topic: Reading and Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

Susan Bostian read minutes from the 3/22/05 meeting. There were no comments, changes or additions.

Topic: Financial Update (Margot Rott)

The current balance in the chapter checking account is \$1189.73.

Topic: 2005 Operational Plan Update

Membership Committee

We set a goal to this year to increase our membership by 5 members (28%). To accomplish this, we also had a goal to identify 100 contacts to mail an information letter and chapter brochure. Thanks to the efforts of Chuck Denny, Giorgina Franklin, Christina Field, Annie Richardson and Mike Phillips, we mailed approximately 350 letters and brochures. Approximately 60 letters were returned due to address problems. So far, we have only confirmed one contact.

Web Site Submission For National ACHMM Award

The Queen City ACHMM web site was submitted on April 10, 2005 to be considered for the Web Site award which will be presented at the National ACHMM Conference in September. Jim mentioned again that members should use the online discussion forum more. It's a good networking tool.

Continue development of a "Chapter Officer Survival Guide"

Margot Rott reported that the guide has been started and should be presented at the August Board meeting.

Amend Chapter By-Laws

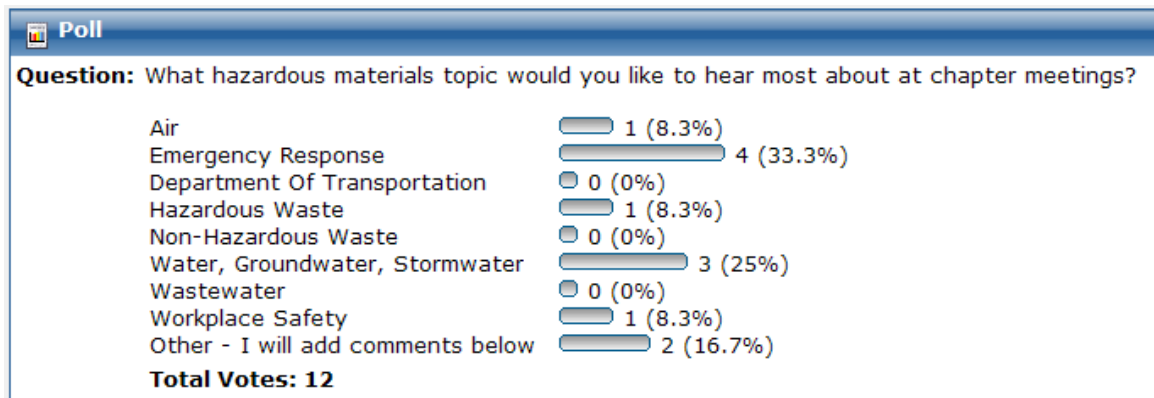
John Williamson was unable attend and a report was not provided.

Officers / Committee Reports and Actions

Margot Rott reported for the Membership Committee that there are currently 21 members.

Topic: Web Site Poll

We had 12 members participate in our second poll. The response indicates that most members want information about Emergency Response (4 votes) and Water/Groundwater/Stormwater (3 votes). One person also commented "I would like to see an educational topic on the upcoming hexavalent chromium standard." The board will plan future meetings with these results in mind.



Topic: National ACHMM Conference

Jim gave a brief presentation about the National ACHMM conference and handed out brochures to all who did not already have one. He mentioned that Annie Richardson (current Vice President) will represent our chapter as the delegate.

Topic: Open Forum (Any questions or comments from the group)

No questions or comments were received.

Topic: Announcement Of Next Meeting

The next chapter meeting will be on Tuesday, September 13 at 6pm. We are planning to have a presentation on Emergency Response if everything works out. Details will be announced closer to the meeting date. At that meeting, we will take nominations for 2005 officers. So be thinking about serving as an officer or

on the board in 2006. Voting will occur in October and be validated by the board. Election results will be announced at the 11/8/05 meeting.

Speaker: Ms. Heidi M. McNulty

Ms. Heidi M. McNulty (Mecklenburg Co. EPA) gave a presentation called "What Contributes to Outdoor Air Pollution in Mecklenburg County?" This is a timely presentation as we are now entering the summer months and will have Ozone Action Days.

Heidi informed the group of the main sources of Air Pollution in Mecklenburg County. Vehicle exhaust is the main source. She also described how ozone actions days are identified and the statistics from last year. She pointed out that 2005 has already had more action days than we had in the entire summer of 2004.

The presentation also included an explanation of Mecklenburg's non-attainment status and the requirements to have a plan in place for obtaining attainment. The plan is very dependent on the county continuing to follow current trends that the department feels is the result of newer vehicles.

There were questions and discussion about the department's support and relationship with CATS. CATS and the EPA are not in partnership at this time and appear to not have agreement on their goals.

Heidi was kind enough to provide many pamphlets for our use.

Action Items: (To be added to master action register)

Responsible Person	Description	Due Date

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.