



# Colorado Chapter Soil and Water Conservation Society

Executive Council Teleconference Minutes  
June 19, 2008

*Members of the Executive Council and Committee Chairpersons Present:*

Jorge Delgado – President	John Scott – West Slope Director
Ardell Halvorson – President Elect	Reneé Koch – Secretary Treasurer
Beth Fortman – East Slope Director	Kristi Gay – Webmaster & Membership
Tony Arnhold – Past President	

*Members of the Executive Council and Committee Chairpersons Absent:*

Amy Sidener – Newsletter Editor  
Sammie Molinaro – Science Fair Chair  
Barb Gohlke – Financial Committee Chair

*Colorado Chapter Members and other guests present:*

None

## **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by President Jorge. Beth moved to approve the last meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Tony, the motion was then approved. Ardell then moved to accept the Financial Report. The motion was seconded by Beth and then passed.

## **Old Business**

The first item discussed was the 2008 Colorado SWCS workshop titled “Impact of Energy Development on Soil and Water Resources”. Ardell reported on some of the different speakers and topics that they are trying to put together for the workshop. Ardell asked for input on what the registration fee, beaks and room size needed. It was mentioned that in the past registration has been \$30-\$50 and \$10 off for members and that a 50 to 100 person room should work.

The next item of old business was the IRS filing and tax exempt status. Reneé reported that she has been unable to travel to Denver or Greeley to sign a signature card for the bank accounts and asked if it would be possible for someone else from the board to be put on the account also. The board discussed this option and Ardell moved have Beth be given approval to be on the checking account along with Reneé and Barb. The motion was seconded by Tony and passed. Reneé will draft a resolution. Reneé then reported on IRS and tax exempt status. After receiving an letter from the IRS detailing the process to get tax exempt status reinstated Reneé contacted the National SWCS about being added to the national group tax exemption. Jody from the National office stated that it was possible and explained what would need to be done. Being added to the group exemption will be far less paperwork than trying to get single tax exemption reinstated. Tony move to be added to the group exemption, Beth seconded the motion, it passed.

Next on the agenda for old business was the sponsorship for the 2009 Technical Conference in South Dakota. As time was running short this item was tabled until the next meeting.



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The Summer Tour was then discussed. John reported that he had talked to the Conservation District about putting a tour together, but said that he liked Beth's suggestion about partnering with the Society for Range Management on their tour to be held September 25<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup>. Beth said she would check into it. John moved to amend the previous motion regarding the Summer Tour to change it to joint tour With SRM in September, Tony seconded it and the motion passed.

The next items of old business on the agenda were the CCA Study Session, Student Awards and Grant program. There were no reports at this time.

The last item of old business was the Annual and Long Term Plans. John reported that he has worked on it.

## **New Business**

The first item of new business was the International SWCS Conference Silent Auction item. Beth volunteered to talk to Mary Miller about it. John moved to approve up to \$100 for the silent auction donation item, Beth seconded, motion passed.

The last item of new business was the missing science fair cash award for Kolten McClaskey. Kolton was a science fair winner but did not receive his award. The group approved a motion to send the \$25 award to Kolten. Beth volunteered to look into the matter.

## **Committee Reports**

*Membership Committee* – Kristi reported that we have 3 expiring memberships of which one will not renew and that we have one new member.

*Webmaster* – Kristi stated that if the group need anything put on the website to please let her know.

*Science Fair* – No report.

*Awards*- No report.

*Newsletter* – No report.

## **Next Meeting**

The next teleconference will be July 17, 2008 at 9:00 AM

The meeting was adjourned at 9:52 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Reneé Koch  
Secretary Treasurer

Approved July 17, 2008

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