



# Colorado Chapter Soil and Water Conservation Society

Executive Council Meeting Minutes  
April 21, 2008

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

Jorge Delgado – President	John Scott – West Slope Director
Ardell Halvorson – President Elect	Dawn Jackson – Director At Large
Beth Fortman – East Slope Director	Reneé Koch – Secretary Treasurer
Tony Arnhold – Past President (via phone)	

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

Amy Sidener – Newsletter Editor  
Sammie Molinaro – Science Fair Chair  
Kristi Gay – Webmaster & Membership Chair  
Barb Gohlke – Financial Committee Chair

*Colorado Chapter Members and other guests present:*

None

## **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM by President Jorge Delgado. An item about scholarships was added to the agenda. The minutes from the March meeting were discussed and John Scott noted a typographical error, then moved approve the minutes as corrected. The motion was seconded by Dawn Jackson, the motion was then approved. John then moved to accept the Financial Report as sent out. The motion was seconded by Ardell Halvorsen and was then passed.

## **Old Business**

The first item of old business reviewed was the investment account signatories. Jorge reported that he will sign the resolution and get the Gold Medallion Signature Service done for them.

The next item of old business discussed was the IRS filing. Reneé Koch reported that she had requested a statement from the Past Secretary Treasurer about the typical annual gross receipts of the Chapter.

Then the CCA study session Action Plan was discussed. Dawn asked some questions about the intent of the session and gave some projected cost figures. The Council then asked Dawn to look into actual prices, topics, presenters and materials to hold a session in the northeastern part of the state possibly around Yuma, CO.

The Summer Tour was then discussed. John stated that he had contacted the Society for Range Management, but was waiting to hear back from them. Dates for the tour were discussed, August 15, 2008 was chosen for a tentative date in Gunnison. John will look into it further.

The last item of old business discussed at the meeting was the 2008 Colorado SWCS Workshop.



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It was noted that the Colorado Association of Conservation Districts has a time scheduled at their annual meeting for the Colorado SWCS on Thursday November 20, 2008. Ardell asked for topics, Tony Arnhold suggested coal bed methane and salinity. Other suggestions were limited irrigation, and carbon sequestration. Ardell said he would check in to it and work with Tony. Another idea given was to see about changing the day from Thursday to Monday of that week.

## **New Business**

The first item of new business discussed was the proposal from Kristi Gay to sponsor two workshops in her area. Jorge stated the one of the two proposals is now being funded by the Agricultural Research Service. The group then discussed implementing an RFP (Request for Proposals) process. The purpose of the competitive process would be to allow individuals and groups to apply for sponsorship for activities related to the SWCS mission. The RFP would state how much money would be available for sponsorships and the deadlines for applying would be given. Dawn volunteered to work on making an application form. Ardell moved allow up to \$200 per sponsorship to a maximum of \$500 annually. The motion was seconded by Beth Fortman and was then passed. Jorge will respond to Kristi about her requests and notify her about the RFP process. The RFP topic was then tabled until the next meeting.

Next topic discussed under new business was scholarships. Beth moved to offer two \$500 scholarships to Junior or Senior level students in anatural resources related fields that attend a Colorado college. John seconded the motion, motion then passed.

The last item of new business was the development of the Annual and Long Term Plans. The council worked on the plans and made good progress. The plans will need to be completed at a future meeting.

## **Committee Reports**

*Membership Committee* – No report.

*Webmaster* – No report.

*Science Fair* - No report.

*Award s*- No report.

*Newsletter* – No report.

## **Next Meeting**

The next teleconference meeting will be May 19, 2008 at 9:00AM.

Dawn Jackson moved to adjourn the meeting. Beth seconded the motion. Motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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