**MINUTES OF THE APRIL 13, 2022 MEETING**

**NEW JERSEY WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION**

**NORTH JERSEY SECTION**

**CALL TO ORDER**: President John Corkery called the meeting to order at the Fiesta at 6:18 pm.

Prayer for the sick and departed.

**ROLL CALL:** John Corkery, Humbertt Mortola, Lisa Oberreiter, Brian Bigler, Robert De Block, Victoria Bonaccorso, Jim Wancho, Ann Smith, Dan Carey, Steve Wendowski, Kellie Markert, Chris Pabst, Bonaccorso, Natalie Pisarcik, Larry Paladino, Joanne Mancuso, Kyle Hooker, Glen Riscen, Joseph Bonaccorso, Ann Bonaccorso,

**RECOGNITION OF PAST PRESIDENTS:**

Joseph Bonaccorso

Brian Bigler

Robert De Block

Frank Pestana

Francis Bonaccorso

Steve Wendowski

**STATE OFFICERS:**

Francis Bonaccorso –President Elect

Jim Wancho – WEF Delegate

**Award Presentations**

The section would like to present awards to scholarship winners tonight because we were not able to hold our annual dinner dance. Congratulations to the following recipients:

Robert C. Fischer Legacy Scholarship – Marverick Reiner

Stephen D’Achino Legacy Scholarship – Gabriella Abbate

David Baker Scholarship – Jacob Krijger

Outhouse Award – Sorin Astalus

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**: President Corkery noted that the minutes for the February 16, 2022 meeting were distributed asked if anyone had any corrections or comments. Motion was then made by Brian Bigler to approve the minutes; the motion was seconded by Jim Wancho.

No Discussion.

The motion was approved unanimously. Motion Carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

**NORTH JERSEY SECTION EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS:**

**President’s Report:** John Corkery;

**Vice President’s Report**: Christopher Pabst; No Report.

**Secretary’s Report:** Lisa Oberreiter; No Report.

**Treasurer’s Report**: Humbertt Mortola; No Report.

**SECTION STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Awards Committee:** Chairman Robert De Block; Sorin was awarded tonight others will be presented in the near future.

**Education & Meetings Committee:** Jim Wancho & Brian Bigler: Thank you to Lisa and MCUA for their presentation. We are always looking for new presentations.

**Membership Committee:** Chairman Glen Riscen: No Report.

**Nominating Committee:** Presented by Robert De Block:

The NJWEA North Section Nominating Committee was convened electronically for the purpose of preparing nominations for North Section Officers and Trustee.

The following nominations were unanimously approved by the Committee and are being forwarded for the second reading at the April 13, 2022, North Section Virtual Business Meeting.

Officers of the NJWEA North Jersey Section  
2-year term commencing at the conclusion of the NJWEA John J. Lagrosa Conference or June 1, 2022, whichever comes first.

President - Christopher R. Pabst  
Vice President - Lisa Oberreiter

Secretary - Humbertt Mortola

Treasurer - Glen Riscen

Trustee – three (3) year term commencing at the conclusion of the NJWEA John J. Lagrosa Conference or June 1, 2022, whichever comes first.

James Wancho, P.E.

Steve Wendowski made a motion to accept the nominating committee report . Motion was seconded by Francis Bonaccorso.

Motion approved unanimously. Motion Carried.

Discussion: None

Steve Wendowski made a motion to close nominations and cast one ballot. Motion was seconded by William Cleary.

Motion approved unanimously. Motion Carried.

Discussion: None

**Policy Advisory Committee:** Chairman Steve Wendowski: No Report.

**Scholarship Committee:** Chairman Frank Pestana & Dan Carey: No Report.

**SECTION SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Affiliates Night:** No Report.

**Dinner Dance Committee:** No Report.

**Golf Outing Committee:** Rick Stafford & Humbertt Mortola: Next year’s event will be held on June 10, 2022 at Beaver Brook Country Club. Registration will start next week.

**Young Professionals:** No Report

**NJWEA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT:**

Executive Director/ Deputy Executive Director: Jim De Block: No Report

Federation Directors: Robert Fischer: No Report

Other State Officers/Committee Members: Francis Bonaccorso – The annual John J Lagrosa Conference will be held in May. The AMS system is up for you to explore the program and learn what will be happening during the conference this year. Recently at the governing council meeting the state association has voted that with registration in NJWEA, we will not be including mandatory membership in WEF. We will no longer require a WEF membership with an NJWEA member. You will need to pay WEF directly for members moving forward and that will need to be initiated by you as an individual member. There were 80 members at the governing council meeting in which this took place and this council took into consideration the best interest of our members. We have only made it “not a requirement” to renew your membership in WEF.

The slate of officers for the executive was voted on. The President will be Jill Plesnarski, the President Elect will be Francis Bonaccorso and your Vice President will be Michael Hope.

**NJWEA, COMMITTEE REPORT:**

**Financial Report: Submitted by Treasurer Humbertt Mortola**

**BILLS:** Thefollowing bills were presented by Humbertt Mortola for ratification by the membership**:**

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|  | **Bills For Ratification** |  |
|  | **Detailed** |  |
| **Section Meeting 4/13/2022** |  |  |
| John Corkery | Beefsteak Door Prize | $349.99 |
| Lisa Oberreiter | Wounded Warrior Donation | $150.00 |
| Francis Bonaccorso | Award Plaques | $372.12 |
| Gabriella Abbate | Legacy Scholarship | $2,500.00 |
| Maverick Reiner | Legacy Scholarship | $2,500.00 |
| Jacob Krijger | Dave Baker Scholarship | $2,500.00 |
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|  | **Total Expenses** | $8,372.11 |

Motion to approve the bills and accept the Treasurer’s Report by Joanne Mancuso, seconded by Natalie Pisarcik.

Motion approved unanimously. Motion Carried.

Discussion: None

**Treasurer’s Report** presented by Humbertt Mortola.

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| **For the Period of** | 2/16/22 - 4/13/22 | |
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| Opening Balance |  | $36,177.92 |
| Deposits |  | $6,268.12 |
| Cleared Transactions | | $2,849.99 |
| Cleared Balance |  | $39,596.05 |
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| Closing Balance |  | $31,573.93 |
| Scholarship CD \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*497 |  | $24,141.31 |
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| **Total Assets** |  | $55,715.24 |

There is an additional cleared transaction of $2500 made in mistake by the bank which they are in the process of reversing.

Motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report by Francis Bonaccorso, seconded by Natalie Pisarcik.

Motion approved unanimously. Motion Carried.

Discussion: None

**Old Business:**

**New Business:**

We are looking for volunteers for help in the hospitality suite in Atlantic City.

**Good and Welfare:**  We send out condolences to the family of Ken Hrasdzira, a former North Section President who recently passed away.

**Benefactors:**

Robert De Block – De Block Environmental

Joseph Bonaccorso – CME

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The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Lisa Obereitter at 6:04 pm and seconded by Pisarcik and approved unanimously.