

## WCDEA Winter Training General Meeting

March 9, 2015

Present: Anita Bartlett, Powder River CD; Michelle Huntington, Converse County CD; Dawn Arnell, Little Snake River CD; Crystal Kellebrew, Campbell County CD; Lisa Shaw, Niobrara CD; Ginny Davis, Meeteetse CD; Karen Pecheny, Sweetwater County CD; Zach Byram, Lake DeSmet CD; Kelly Booth, Lake DeSmet CD; Robb Sgroi, Teton CD; Lacey Gurien, Weston County NRD; Jennifer Hinkhouse, Campbell County CD; Steffen Cornell, Meeteetse CD; Blaise Allen, Meeteetse CD; SnoAnnn Engler, Sublette County CD; Duane Loyd, Laramie County CD; Debbie Hepp, Campbell County CD; Dave Morneau, Popo Agie CD; Amy Doke, Sheridan County CD; Justin Garrison, Medicine Bow CD; Monte Hill, Uinta County CD; Briar Harris, Uinta County CD; Kristin Tilley, Shoshone CD; Diana Olson, Popo Agie CD; Joan McGraw, Medicine Bow CD; Jim Cochran, Laramie County CD

President, Anita Bartlett, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Treasurer, Lisa Ogden, presented the Treasurer's Report (please see attached) Most of the confusion with the dues has been cleared up with only a couple of districts not having paid yet.

Joan McGraw and Diana Olson presented the new WCDEA website. There was an explanation of all the tabs and the content that can be found on the website up to this point. There are a few employee pictures missing but the majority of the site is completed. Employees are asked to fill out the form located on the *Contact Us* tab for any content suggestions.

Dawn Arnell thanked the Training Committee for all of their hard work in putting together the 2015 Winter Training. Employees were asked to provide their input on what dates work best for Winter Training in the future. If the training is going to be in the preferred location of Casper, the training committee has to schedule around state sports finals such as wrestling and basketball that occur in March. Some suggested topics for future trainings included: SHPO training, Quickbooks, fire rehab/resource concerns, parliamentary procedure and watershed improvement districts/ irrigation districts. It was suggested that there is an opportunity every year for roundtable discussion as there are a lot of ideas and helpful information shared during those.

Joan McGraw stated that there is money budgeted for scholarships every year. Scholarship applications can be used to attend trainings, take a class that applies to your job, or to attend state, regional or national conservation district meetings. The money is available – please use it!

Seeing no further business, Anita Bartlett adjourned the meeting.