AZAEP

Arizona Association of Environmental Professionals Officers and Board Members

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AZAEP 2020 Highlights

Membership Growth

December 2019 – 160 members December 2020 – 194 members

Corporate Membership

Membership option offered in 2020 for \$150 yearly, allows for an unlimited number of staff within Arizona to attend dinner meetings at the member rate, free attendance at webinars, and free job postings. Fifteen (15) firms have signed up to date: ACS, AZTEC, Kimley-Horn, Northwind Resource Consulting, RECON, Salt River Project, Terracon, Tierra ROW, Environmental Response Inc, McIntyre Environmental, Jacobs, HDR, LSD, Westland Resources and SWCA.

Board Elections

The AZAEP officer Board positions elections were completed. We had large voting turnout. The positions will be filled through June 30, 2022:

President: Jennifer Jennings, EcoPlan AZ

Vice President: Jeff Johnson, SWCA Phoenix

Secretary: David McIntyre, McIntyre Environmental

Treasurer: Abby Barenholtz, Yellow Bird

At Large Board Member: On October 22, Emilie Masella was approved as an At Large Board

member for the next two years.

National Conference - 2021

The 2021 National AEP annual conference will be all virtual. AZAEP will be hosting the 2023 National AEP annual conference in Phoenix.

Social Media

LinkedIn and Facebook: The more activity and postings we have on our LinkedIn and Facebook group pages, the better we can spread knowledge related to environmental issues, news, and events. Join our LinkedIn group at AZAEP – Arizona Association of Environmental Professionals (or https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8413028/) and our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/AZAEP/.

Amy Edwards Memorial Scholarship Winner! Julian Lloyd Griffee, University of Arizona, 2nd year graduate student in Urban Planning

Monthly Membership Meetings

January 28, 2020 - Tricia Balluff, City of Phoenix

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Topic: Water, the saga continues....

February 25, 2020 - Speaker: David McIntyre, McIntyre Environmental LLC

Topic: A Summary of the Proposed Changes to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

March 24, 2020 - Canceled due to Covid

April, 2020 - Canceled due to Covid

May 25, 2020 – Speaker: Eleanor Gladding, SWCA Phoenix

Topic: New Arizona Department of Agriculture Noxious Weed Rules

June 23, 2018 - Speaker: Adam Milnor, NPS

Topic: Queen Creek Concept Plan

July 28, 2018 - Speaker: Annia Quiroz, Central Arizona Conservation Alliance (CAZCA)

Topic: CAZCA is an alliance of over 60+ partners working for the conservation of open space in Central Arizona. Our work focuses on habitat connectivity, invasive species, stewardship, research and enhancing collaboration in the region for conservation.

August, 2020. No meeting, BOD annual meeting.

September 22, 2020 - Speaker: Haley Paul, Policy Manager for Audubon Arizona

Topic: The Economic Impact of Arizona's Rivers, Lakes, and Streams: How water-based outdoor recreation contributes to state and local economies.

October 27, 2020 – Speaker: Mindy Blake, Outreach Coordinator, Pima Association of Governments (PAG)

Topic: Regional Transportation Authority

November 24, 2020 - Speaker: Kelly Castillo, BLM Arizona State Fire Management Officer

Topic: 2020 Wildfires and how BLM Arizona is Responding to Covid 19 in fighting wildfire.

December, 2020. No meeting

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR MEMBERS AND PARTICIPANTS FOR A GREAT 2020!