



Standards Oversight Council (SOC)

Supporting Technical Standards for Urban and Rural Soil and Water Conservation

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DRAFT MEETING NOTES

Wednesday, October 17, 2012 || 9:00 am – 1pm || DATCP, Madison, WI, Room 266

Attendees: Richard Castelnovo, Mary Anne Lowndes, Gretchen Wheat, Todd Boehne, Jim VandenBrook, Pat Murphy, Gini Knight, Bruce Olson (by phone), Sara Walling for 590 portion of meeting

Welcome

Handbook Revision Finalization

Outcome: Determine if there is group consensus of current mission or if it needs revision. Answer questions regarding any proposed changes. Approve current edition of Handbook.

Reflection on what drives SOC –

- **Collaboration***
- *Consensus building**
- **Consistency/uniformity***
- *Inter-agency collaboration*
- *Constituents (who are they? private vs. public) and how we interact with them*
- *Standards that support regulation and rules*
- *Distance from politics*
- **Science-based***
- **Protect resources***
- **Balance** between social, environmental, and economic factors

**These points rose to the top of the list having more significance than others.*

Decision to take more time at next meeting to potentially refine mission, and/or create a vision statement. All members are to send suggested mission and/or vision statements to Gini.

Handbook was approved with current revisions. Gini will check in with Perry for his thoughts before posted new addition to website.

2013 Budget

Outcome: Review budget. Discuss opportunities for windfall. Approve 2013 budget.

Suggestions/clarifications to new line items were provided. Current budget approved for further development. Council will determine amount of 2013 surplus funds that can be carried over into 2014, and develop a plan for funds that can't be carried over. Council will develop a policy for the reserve funds with the input of counties.

Team Updates

Outcome: Provide updates on status of current teams.

590 Team Update: Draft team charge was discussed. Process for finalizing side boards and forming the team is tentatively planned as follows:

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- Before Nov 1 Scoping Session with agencies/county rep to agree on draft scope and the agency representatives on the team
- Nov 2 Announce Public Input meeting to build awareness of process
- Nov 14, 1pm Public Input meeting at NRCS, Madison office
- Nov 15 – 30 Final Scoping Session with agencies
- Dec 1 Solicitation of team members with draft sideboards
- Dec 14 Final submission deadline for potential team members
- Dec 19 Council Mtg to sign off on final side boards and team members
- Dec 20 Send notification to final team members
- Late January 1st team meeting

Other Teams

Pervious Pavement – next meeting occurring on Nov 9

Inlet Protection – DNR proposing Laura Bub, DNR stormwater specialist to lead team

Website review

Outcome: Gather input on new website look and structure.

Feedback provided on new website. Gini will work with web developers on incorporating suggestions. Pat and Richard agreed to participate as website subcommittee. Gretchen will assist with DNR resource/standard links. Gini will provide update at next meeting.

Next Meeting – Between Dec 17-20. Save date for Dec 19.

Staff evaluation

Council provided feedback to Jim for Gini's six month review.

Updates/Review of Aug 1st Action Items (not discussed at meeting)

- *Pat contacted Jim Miller, Madison Section Chief, Public Swimming Pools, Plumbing at DSPS to determine how DSPS would like to be involved with SOC*
- *All action items from 8/1 meeting occurred, except update from Jim/Pat/Todd on training summit and training committee. Update to occur at next meeting.*

Action Items:

- All to send draft mission and/or vision statements to Gini.
- Gini to check in with Perry regarding final Handbook revision and budget.
- Perry/Bruce to ask counties that contribute to SOC what their impression is of the use of those county contributions. Emergency funds; project specific needs, such as companion documents; on-going operating costs, etc.
- Richard/Pat to work with Gini on new website development