



North Carolina Pretreatment Consortium, Inc.

**Membership Meeting
April 30, 2009**

- A. The North Carolina Pretreatment Consortium Meeting was called to order at 10:30 am, on April 30, 2009 by Amy Varinoski, Chairman, at Wedgewood Golf Course, Wilson, NC.
- B. **Members in Attendance were:** Todd Young, JoEllen Gay, Debra Collins, Donald Smith, Sharon Miller, Martie Groome, Shannon Bergeron, Michael Hicks, Frank Skee, Ryan Faw, Angela Boswell, David Gardner, Tyrone Battle, Burrell Brock, and Amy Varinoski.
- C. Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved.
- D. **Updates**
1. Treasurer, Vicky Payseur, unavailable; however, submitted a report electronically. NC-PC's beginning account as of 12-12-2008 was \$51,766.8. After subtracting costs from Industry Day (surplus \$906.39), Certification School (surplus \$5014.63), Post Office Box rental costs (\$70.00), website fee (\$401.80), and insurance (\$1,199.00), our current balance is \$55,766.81. Reimbursements for trainers and gas from Certification school have not been taken from this balance to date. An official report will be given at next meeting.
 2. Certification Chairman, Sharon Miller, and Martie Groome moved the inventory of the NC-PC storage building located in Thomasville, NC to a storage building in Greensboro. In so doing, an inventory was taken of items purchased by the NC-PC. We have several "gifts" in surplus which will be used for this year's annual conference.
 3. Treasurer, Vicky Payseur, is working on submittal of taxes due May 15, 2009.
 4. We now own the domain, ".org". We went through godaddy.com and the domain has auto renewal and business protection.
- E. **Certification Update:**
There were 33 attendees for this year's certification school. Grades I, II, and III will be offered next year April 26 through April 30 at the Village Inn, Clemmons, NC pending attendance. Classes will not be offered unless 10 students are enrolled. Grade IV will be offered after some revisions are made to the course. Changes were

implemented this year regarding scoring of final tests. No longer will the student receive their score after the exam has been taken. Scores will be sent with a letter describing the student's strengths and weaknesses from the exam.

F. **Conference Planning Committee Update:**

Shannon Bergeron and Donald Smith are co-chairs for the annual conference to be held in Asheville, NC, September 13 through September 15. Help is needed on the conference planning committee. Options for conference calls are available for those who are unable to travel. The theme for this year's conference is "Highland Games".

G. **Focus Group for DEA Comments:**

The focus group prepared a response to DEA concerning the proper disposal of controlled substances by persons not registered with DEA. The response was passed around and will be available on the website.

H. **New Business: Roundtable Discussion- IWS**

Several members mentioned completing an IWS can be more difficult than completing a HWA. The source required to be used, the North Carolina Manufacturer's Directory, have listings that often are out of date or are not applicable to what we need to complete the IWS. Dana Folley of the NC PERCS unit has mentioned to some the interest in an alternative source.

A discussion of using SIC codes to either pre-screen or to use solely to determine whether a short form should be sent was held. The problem with using SIC codes is the business license office determines what code is issued and many commercial businesses are assigned a code that does not truly represent their activities.

Some mentioned using billing records to determine those customers who used 25,000 gallons/day as being very helpful in finding potential IUs. Even if a user discharges >25,000 gpd and the pretreatment staff determines no potential, then the user may be removed from SIU classification. (The State does not publicize this caveat.)

Several mentioned using telephone calls to perform the survey in lieu of sending the short form. A column was added to the required IWS submittal form to say a telephone survey was completed. The State has been known to pull a short form during a Pretreatment inspection to verify the town has followed up properly. The State's form is on their webpage.

We all concurred performing an IWS is very tedious work, with little to no SIU determination outcome because the only way to truly identify an SIU that does not discharge >25,000 gpd or is categorical would be to send out a long form and review monitoring data from the facility of concern. Other states are only required to send a letter describing the on-going activities in determining potential SIUs.

- I. Meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

The next meeting of the NC-PC will be xxxxx.

Respectfully submitted,

JoEllen Gay

Cheryl Tilley

2009 Co-Secretaries NC-PC