

# VFMA BOARD MEETING

MARCH 5, 2013

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RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

## ATTENDEES:

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| Dave Preusch   | Charley Banks | Dough Moseley  |
| David Gunn     | Jeff Smith    | Jim Rakestraw  |
| Scott Blossom  | John Paine    | Ken Somerset   |
| Mark Slauter   | Shane Parson  | Tariq Makhdoom |
| Michael Dodson | Don Rissmeyer |                |

Current President, Don Rissmeyer, called the meeting to order at 7:20 a.m. and welcomed everyone. He then asked board members to provide a brief report on their areas of responsibility:

Mr. Tariq Makhdoom reported that the fall workshop in Spotsylvania had approx. 50 participants and that Charlottesville had approx. 25 participants. This was less than the previous year, when we had approximately 85 participants in Spotsylvania.

Charlie Banks commented on the FEMA training classes held in Henrico in the late fall and Norfolk in February by DCR. They both were well received and attended. A large number of people also took the CFM exam at both sites.

General discussion was had as how to best advertise these training sessions in advance.

Don Rissmeyer inquired as to the number of Workshops held each year, time frames and locations. The Hampton Roads and Roanoke area were mentioned as possible other locations as a way to provide those people who cannot attend due to travel restrictions an opportunity to be a part of the organization.

It was also suggested that each event have a back- up speaker scheduled for each session, due in part to the late cancelation of the FEMA speakers scheduled for the VA Water Conference.

Mr. David Preusch provided the 2012 Treasurer's Report (copy attached), showing a Bank account balance of \$41,993 up \$3,761 from last year.

Sincere Thanks and Praise were offered from all members present to Mr. Preusch for the outstanding job he has continued to do as Treasurer.

Any questions, inquires or for additional copies of the report please contact Mr. Preusch.

Motion was made and seconded to approve and adopt the new budget as presented. Motion carried with no nay votes.

Ken Somerset gave a brief summary as Secretary. He will make every effort to have minutes of leadership meetings and calls including the ASFPM 'All Chapter' Calls available to members. He will also be keeping a copy on a separate flash drive along with a hard copy in a dedicated notebook. Copies of those minutes will be available upon request; the notebook(s) will be available at all Board Meetings for review.

#### President's Report –

Leadership team is working on an updated contact list and a list of other interested members.

2013 elections – 11 Directors serve on the Board with 5 or 6 elected in odd years. Terms run for a 2 year period. The existing directors and officers were re-elected without any changes in position, with no Nay votes

VFMA – membership application should be available on line in about a week. Discussion was held on ways to increase membership. Participating members of the Virginia CRS WORKGROUPS will be provided information on VFMA and encouraged to join. We also have a list from DCR showing local government floodplain contacts, and lists showing past corporate sponsors and individual members to work from. Doug Moseley and Scott Blossom have volunteered to lead our membership drive for 2013.

#### VLWA- Board Report-

Positive words from Tom Roberts for the continued partnership of VFMA with the VLWA board.

VFMA was asked to be a co sponsor on the DAM Safety Awards. No decision was made at this time. A final decision was requested by the September time frame.

Conference calls will continue on a monthly schedule as listed (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, 1:30pm). No call in March due to the annual meeting. Next call will be on April 11. Contact Don Rissmeyer for any details. Call-in information will not change.

The VFMA web site and newsletter is operational and shows that we have an unknown "groupie" who loves the website. The members wished Don a big job well done on the work involved in this process and agreed to have him be the point person. Don recognized Association Builders who did all the hard work involved.

It was agreed that administrative support for the newsletter and website remain with Association Builders LLC with essentially the same scope of work for 2013-14. Don will contact them and solicit their interest in renewing a contract with VFMA at a similar cost.

The Ward's Flood Model has been starting to tour Virginia with additional requests coming in. It was setup for 90 1<sup>st</sup> graders in Charlottesville and was well received. It had previously been used for around 80 elementary school students in Powhatan County. The City of Hampton has just requested the use of it at 2 community events they have planned. Gloucester County has also requested its use during a community event, and we have a tentative request for an elementary school in Fairfax County. (In a recent email Mark Hoskins has agreed to be the presenter for Fairfax, and Ken Somerset has offered to be the person for Hampton's events. Paul Koll and Michael Dodson will do Gloucester).

Floor was open for Board member comments or questions.

As none were noticed, Don Rissmeyer adjourned the meeting at 8:15 a.m.