

**Lower Platte North NRD
Executive Committee Minutes
January 4, 2012**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Casey, Hilger, Meduna, Pieke, Saalfeld, Taylor and Veskerna
OTHERS PRESENT: Breunig, Kavan, Miyoshi, Mountford and Sund

1. Meetings

a. Pending

1. No-Till On The Plains Conference – January 24-25 – Attachment Page 1-4

No director has signed up for the No-Till Conference in St. Louis which was approved last month. Director Pieke had informed all of us that the Salina Conference is much better. It was recommended (by Meduna), seconded (by Veskerna), to amend last month's action and allow attendance at either the St. Louis or the Salina No-Till Conference (not both) by one director. Recommendation carried.*

2. Recognition Banquet – Sunday, January 22, Klein Center, Brainard

4:30 Social hour
5:30 Meal
6:30 Award Presentations

3. NARD Legislative Conference – January 24-25, Lincoln Page 5

The NARD Legislative Conference is scheduled for January 24-25 with the Senators Dinner evening of January 24

4. Directors Retreat

The Annual Director's retreat is scheduled for Tuesday, February 7, 9:00 a.m., Benedictine Center, Schuyler

5. UNL Spring Water Seminar Series – Attachment Page 6

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes find a schedule for the UNL Water Seminar Series. These lectures are held Wednesday afternoons from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Hardin Hall on the UNL East Campus. The lectures are open to the public.

b. Reports

1. National Watershed Coalition – Attachment Page 7-8

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes find Mountford's report from the National Watershed Coalition Forum December 6-7.

2. Management Items

a. Directors Absence – Attachment Page 9

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes find Director Ruzicka's excuse of absence request for the February Meeting. No action was taken.

b. Bob Weaver

1. Monthly Conference Call and Update

The monthly Weaver conference call will be held later this week and his monthly update will be attached to the committee minutes.

2. Monthly Bill

The December Weaver bill has not been received but will be included with the committee minutes. It was recommended (by Saalfeld), seconded (by Casey), to approve payment of \$3,000 to Bob Weaver for December services and bill LPSNRD and Papiro NRD for their share. Recommendation carried*

c. 2012 Officer Election

Election of LPNNRD Officers for 2012 will take place at the January Board Meeting. Don Kavan is Chair of the Nominating Committee and will nominate a candidate for each of the offices, with nominations from the floor also being accepted.

d. Monthly Education Program

Dave Rus from USGS will be present to update the Board on the Shell Creek Water Quality Monitoring Agreement.

e. Sub-District 1 Vacancy

Bob Clausen and Donald Botic have submitted resumes for the committee to review. A report will occur during the January 9 Board Meeting.

f. New Directors Orientation

New Director Orientation was held January 3 for our newly appointed directors.

g. Snyder Complaint – Attachment

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Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes find a letter from the State of Nebraska Board of Engineers and Architects stating "... there is no basis for a formal charge against Mr. Snyder."

h. Wanahoo Financing

There has been dialogue between the attorneys representing the three entities on our Wanahoo financing but no meeting set for the three entities. There continues to be requests for additional information which is passed on to them (most of this information had previously been supplied to the partners). With the land note being due on January 15 action at our January 9 Board Meeting is needed. At the very least we need to pay the 2011 interest.

i. Election Certification – Attachment

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Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes find a list of directors who need to file for re-election this year. For those whose term expires this year the proper forms have been placed in your mail box. All incumbents must file with the Secretary of State by February 15.

j. 2012 Committee Appointments

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Following officer elections at the January Board Meeting, our Chair appoints committees for the following year. A copy of the "Committee Survey" is in each director's box. Please fill in this survey and return to the NRD office by the end of Board Meeting on January 9. Assignments will be made later that same week.

3. Equipment - None

4. Personnel – None

5. Finance

a. Approval of Financial Report

It was recommended (by Saalfeld), seconded (by Meduna), to approve the November financial reports as distributed. Recommendation carried.*

b. Approval of Managers Expenses – Attachment **Page 13-16**

It was recommended (by Meduna), seconded (by Veskerna), to approve Manager Miyoshi's time and expense sheets as attached to the Executive Committee Minutes. Recommendation carried.*

c. Accounts Receivable Over 90 Days – Attachment **Page 17**

All accounts over 90 days were reviewed by the Executive Committee.

d. Monthly Accounting Update

Sund was present to update the Board on the October Financial Statements.

e. Final Payment for Annual Audit – Attachment **Page 18**

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes find a copy of the final bill from HBE for our Annual Audit in the amount of \$5,415. It was recommended (by Casey), seconded (by Meduna), to make final payment to HBE in the amount of \$5,415 for work on our annual audit. Recommendation carried.

f. F.Y. 2012 Annual Audit Engagement – Attachment **Page 19-25**

Attached find an engagement letter from HBE for our Fiscal Year 2012 Annual Audit. The total cost for the audit will be \$22,300 as outlines in the letter. It was recommended (by Hilger), seconded (by Meduna), to authorize Manager Miyoshi to sign the letter of engagement with HBE to perform our Fiscal Year 2012 Annual Audit in the amount of \$22,300. Recommendation carried.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 12:17 p.m.