MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING 2012

General Membership Meeting of April 17, 2012

(Lake Folsom Inn, Folsom, Calif.)

Decisions	
Motions	Accepted the presented slate of 2012 Officers
Action Items	
Parking Lot Items	
References	Copies of the 2011 annual meeting minutes
Handed Out	

Start 5:15 PM

- 1. **WELCOME/CALL TO ORDER** Marianne Guerin opened the meeting. A quorum was declared, with 37 persons in attendance. The agenda was reviewed.
- 2. PAST YEAR OVERVIEW & FUTURE GOALS Marianne emphasized our goal is to improve the value of CWEMF to its existing members, and to attract new members. She summarized the past year accomplishments of having two one-half day technical briefings, setting up the upcoming Central Valley Integrated Surface-Subsurface Inter-comparison Model Peer Review for three models, setting up the current annual meeting with its sessions, pop-up talks, increased posters, and in working closely with the Interagency Ecological Program in setting up the joint annual meeting. Also mentioned were adopting the revised membership fee for retired persons, achieving better financial stability, and in starting the updatal for the Strategic Plan.

Goals for the upcoming year are to continue with the Strategic Plan, to refine the Mission Statement, establishing a rainy day fund and a multi-year financial plan, continuing with more workshops and peer reviews, and planning for the 2013 annual meeting.

- 3. **SECRETARY'S REPORT** The minutes of the 2011 CWEMF Annual Meeting were reviewed by all present, and passed unanimously.
- 4. **TREASURER'S REPORT** The CWEMF has achieved a good financial status now. What has helped achieve this is the use of Pay-Pal, an organizational member dues increase, and raised

dues for the annual meeting. The finance sub-committee is continuing its work, and a multi-year budget cycle is being worked on.

5. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** – There were 185 participants this year at the annual meeting. How 2011 and 2012 annual meetings compared are as follows:

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
No. of sessions	23	24
No. of participants	169	185
No. of Talks	77	74
No. of Posters	16	22
No. of Organizations	54	48
No. of Students	13	4
No. of Sponsors	8	9

Some of the desires expressed at last year's annual meeting were to have a longer poster session, have better food, have a more accessible location, and have better and larger meeting rooms. At Asilomar many of the participants stayed off-site, don't want to share a room, and want internet access. A Questionnaire Survey form will be emailed out next week for you to express your comments for this current annual meeting. A drawing for a \$50 gift certificate will be done for at the next Steering Committee meeting for those who participate in the Survey.

6. **WORKSHOPS** – Two hot-topic technical briefings (each 1/2 day) were completed this past year. These were on "Background and Technical Basis for the Biological Opinion" and "Ammonia/Nutrient Issues and Regulatory Oversite in the Delta".

Workshops being planned are (1) the Central Valley Integrated Surface-Subsurface Intercomparison Model Peer Review for three models (See Item 7 below) (2) the WEAP Model workshop by SEI on June 8 at the USBR office in Sacramento (cost is \$50 for CWEMF members and \$100 for non-members.

Another integrated surface-subsurface model being advanced by DWR is the C2VSIM model. The CWEMF and DWR may hold a future workshop on this model. Also, a new version of the Cal-Lite model is coming out soon, and a workshop may be held on this.

Some ideas mentioned by the attendees for future workshops were on Ecosystem Marketing, Mercury modeling, Water Supply Forecasting, statistical modeling, real time modeling, Bulletin 120, NOAA information, and inputs to water supply operators. If members have any additional suggestions send those to Ben Bray.

- 7. **MODEL USER GROUPS** The DSM-2 user group continues to meet. It now has a newsletter. If anyone wants to start a user group contact Min Yu at minyu@water.ca.gov.
- 8. CENTRAL VALLEY INTEGRATED SURFACE-SUBSURFACE INTER-COMPARISON MODEL PEER REVIEW This is an upcoming comparative peer review of the three models MODFLOW (USGS), IWFM (DWR), and HGS (USBR) currently being used in the Central Valley. This review will present the capabilities of each model, with an emphasis

on the types of questions that managers, decision-makers, and the public might ask. The two reviewers selected are Dr. Hubert Morel-Seytoux of Hydroprose, Inc. and Dr. Thomas Harter of UCD. The review will start off with a full-day workshop (June 18 at the Cal-EPA Building in Sacramento) where each model advocate will present a summary of their model for 90 minutes to the two peer reviewers and other workshop attendees. There will be a Q & A session at the end of each presentation. During the peer review work a draft report will be issued. At the end of the peer review in 2013 there will be a second workshop to present the findings. A Final Report will be issued.

9. **OFFICER'S ELECTION** – The following officers were put up for election for 2012. A motion was made and passed to select the slate of officers as presented below.

Marianne Guerin – Convener Benjamin Bray – Vice-Convener Stacy Tanaka – Treasurer George Nichol – Secretary Paul Hutton - Past Convener

10. OTHER BUSINESS - None

11. **ADJOURN** – 6:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted, George Nichol, Secretary, CWEMF

ANNUAL MEETING ATTENDANCE (37 persons)

NAME	ORGANIZATION
Paul Hutton	MWD
Rich Satkowski	SWRCB
Elaine Archibald	CWEMF
Tara Smith	DWR
Marianne Guerin	RMA
Heidi Chou	UCD
George Nichol	No affiliation
Nigel Quinn	LBNL/USBR
John DeGeorge	RMA
Walter Bourez	MBK
Bill Smith	MWH
Kijim Nam	DWR
Chuching Wang	MWD
Jay Lund	UCD
Christy Chung	SCVWD
Cao Hueong	UCD
Eleanor Bartolomeo	SWRCB
Ted Swift	DWR
Josue Medellin	UCD

Megan Young	USGS
Pete Smith	USGS, retired
Aaron Bever	Delta Modeling Associates
Michael McWilliams	Delta Modeling Associates
David Thompson	R.O. Anderson
Kevin Long	SWRCB
Robyn Suddeth	UCD
Brian Heywood	CDM Smith
Jobaid Kabir	USBR
Ben Bray	EBMUD
Peter Vorster	TBI
Roger Putty	MWH
Mike Deas	Watercourse Engineering
Dan Easton	MBK
Kijm Nam	DWR
Paul Frank	New Fields
Lucas Siegfried	UCD
Hugh Roberts	ARCADIS
Stacy Tanaka	Watercourse Engineering