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CALIFORNIA WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL MODELING FORUM

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING  
2003

General Membership Meeting of February 26, 2003

(This meeting was held at the Asilomar Chapel in Pacific Grove.)

## I. SUMMARY

A. **ACTION ITEMS** - None

B. **MOTIONS PASSED OR TABLED**

1. **Dues** – A motion passed to raise the annual dues of the individual members.
2. **New Executive Director** – A motion passed to accept the new Executive Director as recommended by the Steering Committee.

C. **REFERENCES HANDED OUT** - None

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## II. MINUTES

1. **WELCOME/CALL TO ORDER** – Nigel Quinn opened the meeting.
2. **SECRETARY'S REPORT** – The minutes of the 2002 Annual Meeting were passed unanimously.
3. **REPORT ON IGSM REVIEW** – Nigel Quinn verbally presented the latest developments on this model.
4. **REPORT ON INSTREAM FLOW ASSESSMENT REVIEW & PROTOCOLS** – John Williams verbally presented the latest developments on this topic.
5. **REPORT ON WORKSHOPS & OTHER ACTIVITIES** – The development of users groups for the IGSM2 and CALSIM II models, and how to fund these users groups, was discussed. A dam removal workshop was mentioned.

**6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** – John William's described the amounts of the income (\$61,144) and expenses (\$38,887) for the year. Itemized bar charts of these amounts were presented. There was a general fund bar chart and organizational dues bar chart. Balances for the peer review fund and the Fischer Award fund were described. It was mentioned that the Asilomar registration fees went up to help in our funding.

John mentioned that he was leaving the Executive Director position to pursue other tasks. He mentioned that the success of the Forum was due in part to the ability of modelers, water managers, biologists, economists, and others to be able to meet at Asilomar annually and get to talk to one another informally and see the problems and approaches to their solutions from all sides.

**7. BUSINESS MEETING – Dues** - A motion was made to raise the individual dues from \$30 to \$50, and student dues from \$5 to \$10. There was some discussion. The motion passed, but not unanimously. The vote was taken by raising hands, and it could be seen that most present supported the increase, but a few did not. **New Executive Director Selection** – It was mentioned that a committee of seven from the Steering Committee interviewed four excellent candidates, and ended up recommending Rich Satkowski as the person to present to the general membership today as its choice for the position. A motion was made to accept Rich as the new Executive Director, and this motion passed. **Officers for 2003**. The names put up for the new officers were Nigel Quinn as Convenor (continuing), K.T. Shum as Vice-Convenor, Lisa Holm as Treasurer, and George Nichol as Secretary. A motion was made to pass this slate of candidates, and passed unanimously. Rob Tull will remain as past Convenor. **Awards** – Plaques were presented to John Williams for his fine service as Executive Director, and to George Nichol for his several years of secretarial service. **Executive Directors Goals & Objectives** – Rich presented and discussed a handout listing of about 40 goals he plans to work on. He mentioned that he would solicit feedback on how to prioritize them. **Steering Committee Memberships** – Nigel reminded those present that the Steering Committee had openings for persons from different types of agencies and groups that wanted to become involved and represent those groups on the Committee.

8. ADJOURN –

Respectfully Submitted,  
George Nichol, Secretary, CWEMF