

CALIFORNIA WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL MODELING FORUM

# MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING 2008

General Membership Meeting of Feb. 27, 2008

(Heather Room, Asilomar Conference Grounds in Pacific Grove, California.)

Decisions	
Motions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A motion was made and passed to accept the slate of officers presented.</li></ul>
Action Items	
Parking Lot Items	
References Handed Out	

Start 8:15AM

## REVIEW OF CWEMF ACTIVITIES

1. **Model User's Groups** – There are four model user's groups: the IWFM, DSM-2, CALSIM, and MIKE groups. The DSM-2 group has 50 members, with an on-line bulletin board for questions and answers. The MIKE group is inactive for now. We can develop other User's Groups whenever the need arises. Some possible future modeling groups could be for WEAP, CALVIN, CAL-LITE, SHARED VISION, and PARTICLE TRACKING. It would be preferable if agencies that are funding models could support User Groups. To do this, perhaps they could build this requirement into their modeling contracts.

2. **Peer Reviews** – The DWR has requested a formal peer review for the IWFM model. A formal proposal by DWR is to be submitted. Initial funding has been provided by CWEMF. Matching funds are being solicited. Other requests for peer reviews can be submitted.

3. **2007 Workshops** – The following workshops were held in 2007:

- a. Modeling Issues of the Delta – February, 2007.
- b. WARMF (Watershed Analysis Risk Management Framework) Model – Systech Engineering, Inc. April, 2007.
- c. Improving Access to California's Water and Environmental Data, May 2007.
- d. Watershed and Urban Hydrology Modeling, June 2007.

4. **Scheduled or Possible 2008 Workshops** –

- a. Overview of Delta Nutrient Water Quality Problems: Nutrient Load – Water Quality Impact Modeling. Scheduled for March 25, 2008.

- b. DSM-2 Version 7 training – Scheduled for Spring 2008.
- c. DRERIP (Delta Regional Ecosystem Restoration Implementation Plan) – Scheduled for Spring.
- d. Shared Vision Planning – Scheduled for Spring.
- e. HEC-HMS Watershed Modeling – Scheduled for Spring.
- f. San Joaquin River Restoration Plan –
- g. Groundwater Modeling for the Central Valley – For developers and potential users. Involve LBL and CWEMF. – Possible in July. May be several days and have meals, workbook, and proceedings.
- h. Other possibilities:
  - (1) Cal-Lite
  - (2) Nature Conservancy
  - (3) Tools for Modelers of the Bay-Delta Conservation Plan.

## **BUSINESS MEETING**

1. **WELCOME/CALL TO ORDER** – Tara Smith opened the meeting. A quorum was declared, with 49 persons in attendance. The agenda was reviewed.

2. **SECRETARY'S REPORT** – The minutes of the 2007 CWEMF Annual Meeting passed unanimously.

3. **TREASURER'S REPORT** – The Treasurer was not present at Asilomar. The Executive Director reported that a total of \$74,733 was in our general fund and peer review fund accounts.

4. **OFFICER'S ELECTION** – The following officers were elected for 2008:

Tara Smith – Convener  
Paul Hutton – Vice-Convener  
Lisa Holm – Treasurer  
George Nichol – Secretary  
K.T. Shum - Past Convener

### **5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- a. **2008 Annual Meeting** – Have 172 participants (of which 98 are new members), from 68 organizations. Had 25 sessions, with 89 talks. Provided scholarships for six students, with 13 students total attending. New Fischer Award sculptures have been obtained.
- b. **Strategic Analysis Framework** – CWEMF has sent a letter to CALFED, offering our services to this item.
- c. **Modeling Protocols Document Updating** – On hold for now. (Our three main CWEMF documents are (1) the Modeling Protocols document, (2) the Strategic Analysis Framework, and (3) the Peer Review document.
- d. **CWEMF web site** – There were 27,000 visitors to our web site in 2007 from 20 countries, which is a 13% decrease from 2006.

6. **ADJOURN** – 10 AM

Respectfully Submitted,  
George Nichol, Secretary, CWEMF

ANNUAL MEETING ATTENDANCE (49 persons)

NAME	ORGANIZATION
Michael Deas	Watercourse Engineering
George Nichol	SWRCB
Nigel Quinn	LBNL/USBR
Walter Bourez	MBK
Stacy Tanaka	UCD
Tom Filler	DWR
Chuck Young	SEI
Tara Smith	DWR
Owen Lu	MWDSC
Tann Nguyen	UCD
Richard Howitt	UCD
Jay Lund	UCD
Ralph Chang	Codar (USGS)
Paul Hutton	MWD
K.T. Shum	EBMUD
Rich Satkowski	CWEMF
Alison Willy	USFWS
Marianne Guerin	CCWD
Sushil Arora	DWR-BDO
Peter Vorster	TBI
Kevin Kao	DWR
Kevin Richards	EBMUD
Joe Miyamoto	EBMUD
Ted Swift	DWR-MWQI
Jim Martin	CVRWQCB
Rich Juricich	DWR
Ryan Wilbur	DWR
Alan Ng	DWR
Chandra Chilmakuri	CH2M-Hill
Hubert Morel-Seytoux	Hydroprose
Deanna Sereno	CCWD
Charlie Brush	DWR
Kyle Wilson	CH2M-Hill
Ali Ercan	MWH
Armin Munever	CH2M-Hill
Tom Nye	CDM
Carolyn Yale	USEPA
Steve Culberson	CalFed Science Program
Ben Bray	EBMUD

Linda Shih	CCWD
John Bureau	USGS
Pete Smith	USGS (Retired)
Richard A. Denton	RD & A
John DeGeorge	RMA
Maurice Roos	DWR (retired annuitant)
Patrick Rahlly	UC Merced
Ann M.Lubas-Williams	Reclamation (registered with IEP)
Qiung Shu	DWR
Abdul Khan	DWR
Lyman McDonald	West-Inc