



**RMWEA/RMSAWWA Joint Governing Board  
January 6, 2012 Officers & Committee Chairs  
Meeting Summary**



**Joint Governing Board Meeting Time/Location:**

- Friday, January 6, 2012, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.
- Denver Water, Board Room

**Call to Order and Introductions (Elizabeth Carter)**

- **Call to Order** - Elizabeth Carter called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. It was determined that a quorum of the Board was present.

**Attendees:**

John Rehring	<i>RMWEA President</i>
Will Raatz	<i>RMWEA Vice President</i>
Edyta Stec-Uddin	<i>RMWEA Treasurer</i>
Jeff Berlin	<i>RMWEA Secretary</i>
Jenny Hartfelder	<i>WEF Senior Delegate</i>
Tye Jordan	<i>RMWEA Trustee</i>

Elizabeth Carter	<i>RMSAWWA Chair</i>
Joe Cowan	<i>RMSAWWA Pres-Elect</i>
Mary Presecan	<i>RMSAWWA Vice Chair</i>
Kevin Bergschneider	<i>RMSAWWA Past Chair</i>
Sarah Dominick	<i>RMSAWWA Treasurer</i>
Ryan Walsh	<i>RMSAWWA Secretary</i>
Martin Garcia	<i>RMSAWWA Director</i>
Bud Spillman	<i>RMSAWWA Trustee</i>
Mike Berry	<i>RMSAWWA Trustee</i>
Mark Hartman	<i>RMSAWWA Trustee</i>
Melissa Essex Elliott	<i>RMSAWWA Trustee</i>
Tod Phinney	<i>RMSAWWA Trustee</i>

Emily Allen	<i>Joint Water For People</i>	Vicki Jones	<i>Joint Education Council</i>
Craig Barnes	<i>Rumbles Editor</i>	Melissa Marts	<i>e-Rumbles Co-Editor</i>
Ari Copeland	<i>Rumbles Editor</i>	Lela Perkins	<i>Student Chapter Coordinator</i>
Paul Fanning	<i>RMSAWWA Communications</i>	Sylvia Rottman	<i>TEAMS</i>
Steve Frank	<i>Joint Publications</i>	Robin Schiro	<i>Guest (Mountain Coal Co.)</i>
Jim Ginley	<i>Joint Utility Management</i>	Andrea Song	<i>e-Rumbles Co-Editor</i>
Ann Hall	<i>RMSAWWA Admin Mgr.</i>	Jim Tallent	<i>Rumbles Editor</i>
Matt Hayes	<i>Joint Water Reuse</i>	JoAnn Vold	<i>TEAMS</i>

**Previous Meeting Minutes (Ryan Walsh)**

- Posted on RMSAWWA website under Meetings Page

A motion was made by Kevin Bergschneider and a second by Mark Hartman to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2011 Joint Governing Board Meeting. Carried.

**Joint Committee Reports (see attachments)**

<b>Committee Name</b>	<b>Committee Chair(s)</b>	<b>Report Attached</b>
Joint Conference Mgmt	Dale Butler & Greg Woodward	
Joint Education Council	Vicki Jones & Mike Berry	Yes - Page 3
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Joint Small Systems	Barbara Martin	
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Joint Utility Management	Jim Ginley	Yes - Page 8
Joint Water For People	Emily Allen	Yes - Pages 9-12
Joint Water Reuse	Matt Hayes	Yes - Page 13
Joint Young Professionals	Heidi Bauer & Mark Whitlatch	Yes - Page 14
Student Chapter Coordinator	Lela Perkins	Yes - Pages 15-18
Colorado School of Mines	Katy Mouzakis	
Colorado State University	Kirk Reimann	
University of Colorado	Kyria Bosma	
New Mexico Inst of Mining & Tech.	Danielle Shipley	
University of New Mexico	Janet Leavitt	
University of Wyoming	Emily Huth	

**Joint Conference Management** – Jeff Berlin reported that the requests for abstracts have been posted on the RMWEA and RMSAWWA websites with a March 18, 2012 deadline.

**Joint Education Council** – The Winter Planning Meeting has scheduled a session on our education programs including standardizing reporting forms for training. See attached report.

**Joint New Mexico Involvement** – Josh Goldman (former UNM Student Chapter Co-President) presented at the December luncheon on Salt Recovery on RO Concentrate. They are making plans for a WFP golf tournament. They will be combining their monthly meetings with their professional development luncheons. See attached report plus NMIC 1/4/12 agenda notes attachment.

**Joint Publications** – Melissa Marts from HDR is stepping in for Tye Jordan as e-Rumbles Co-Editor with Andrea Song of Denver Water. Andrea stated that Mary Beth Sullivan of Carollo would be assisting the e-Rumbles team. Ari Copeland of AWWA & Craig Barnes of Metro Wastewater agreed to serve as editors of *Rumbles*. Jim Tallent is finishing up his role as *Rumbles* editor with a special 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary edition in March. Jim agreed to electronically archive the previous *Rumbles* and RMSAWWA will provide the electronic storage space. See attached report.

**Joint Technical Activities** – See attached report.

**Joint Utility Management** – The committee will hold planning meetings on January 9 and January 26 to implement many Get Into Water efforts into JUM subcommittees. See attached report.

**Joint Water For People** – Colorado Gives day brought in \$26,050 for WFP. The theme dinner will be on March 9<sup>th</sup> at the Westin and will include a live auction. Tickets for the theme dinner are available at <http://rms.tap.waterforpeople.org>. The dinner tickets will be at a reduced price if purchased by February 17. Sponsorship opportunities are available for the theme dinner. See attached report and flyers.



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**Joint Water Reuse** – The committee is planning a training event to be held in August. They continue to work on regulations. See attached report.

**Joint Young Professionals** – See attached report.

**Joint Student Chapter Coordinator** – Lela Perkins worked with the Student Chapters to revise their 2012 budgets. University of New Mexico Student Chapter Co-Presidents both recently graduated so that chapter is working on a transition of leadership. Student Design Competition plans are going well, and there are currently two (2) teams from the University of Wyoming and one (1) team from Colorado State University. Included in the agenda is the Student Chapter Support Roles and Responsibilities document. See attached report.

**Sectors Grant Update** (Joe Cowan) – Plans are underway for the Model Water Tower Competition to be held on May 12 in Boulder. They will recruit industry professionals, college students and high school students to assist each Model Water Tower team. The Industry Advisory Council discussed the Sustainability Plan and many functions will be transitioned to subcommittees of the Joint Utility Management Committee. CDPHE has provided scholarship funding of \$40,000 to be managed by the Colorado Dept of Labor and Employment. The Jobs/Internship Task Force met and they are working on new programs. Mel Fahrenbruch and Joe Cowan will give a presentation about the Sectors project on an EPA webinar in February. See attached report.

#### **Unfinished Business**

- Grand Junction Water & Wastewater Conference to be held March 28-30 (Mike Berry)  
The MOU has been signed with the City of Grand Junction. The program steering committee is being formed and volunteers are needed. City of Grand Junction will do the conference logistics. RMSAWWA & RMWEA are responsible for the program and presenters. There will be a total of three tracks (water operator, wastewater operator and management). The operator tracks will be focused on all levels of certification. Eileen List is the local Grand Junction coordinator.
- Joint Website (Paul Fanning) – Paul has been working with Ken Morris, the web designer of the Get Into Water website. Paul will contact the joint committee chairs in the next week to get their website ideas in order for Ken to provide a cost estimate. Paul will meet with Ken again with a goal to have information for the JGB by the Winter Planning Meeting.

#### **New Business**

- TEAMS report (Sylvia Rottman & JoAnn Vold) – OCPO is preparing an email announcement to go out to all certified operators. OCPO will have three application deadlines in 2012 (March 1, July 1 and November 1). They will implement sequential testing which means you must pass and be certified one level at a time. OCPO will be provided with a copy of the recent operator survey results.
- RMWEA/RMSAWWA Draft Winter Planning Meeting Schedule (See page 20 for agenda) – The training session on Friday at 10:00 a.m. is Adult Learning 101 – presented by Fabiola Roll of AWWA.
- 2012 Joint Annual Conference budget – budget is not available yet



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- 2012 Joint Budgets:

A motion was made by Jeff Berlin and a second by John Rehring to approve the 2012 Joint Budgets. Carried.

- Operator Survey Results (Joint Education Council) were not very different from the membership survey results. The dollar amount willing to pay for training is lower with operators. Water distribution was the most requested training followed by water treatment and SCADA. Live training was preferred over web training. Class A and IV certified operators responded in the highest numbers. More advanced training was consistently wanted. Vicki Jones will prepare a summary report for the Winter Planning Meeting including the responses to the question on what the organizations can do to help them. We have data from 198 respondents.
- Mary Presecan is representing RMSAWWA on the Colorado Water 2012 Coalition. They have a calendar of all water related activities. Consider including your event on [www.water2012.org](http://www.water2012.org).

**Announcements:**

- Winter Planning Meeting, February 2-3, 2012, Ameristar, Black Hawk, CO Ameristar hotel reservations for 2/2/12 lodging may be made by calling 720.946.4000 and speak with a Guest Service Agent at the front desk. Please use the group code **GRMWB12** with group name **RMWEA/RMSAWWA**. The room block with a rate of \$89 is released on 1/11/2012.
- RMWEA/RMSAWWA Joint Governing Board Meeting, March 2, 2012 at Denver Water
- WFP Theme Dinner, Friday, March 9, 2012, Westin - <http://rms.tap.waterforpeople.org>

By general consent the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.



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**Call to Order and Introductions (Elizabeth Carter) (2 min)**

- Quorum
- Agenda Modifications

**Previous Meeting Minutes (Ryan Walsh) (3 min)**

**December 2011 draft minutes are posted on the RMSAWWA website under Meetings page**

- Will need a motion and a second to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2011 Joint Governing Board Meeting.

**Joint Committee Reports (15 min) (see attachments)**

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**Sectors Grant Update (5 minutes)** (Jamie Eichenberger, Joe Cowan) - See attachment page 19

**Unfinished Business (20 min)**

- Grand Junction Water & Wastewater Conference to be held March 28-30 (Mike Berry)
- Joint Website (Paul Fanning)

**New Business (15 min)**

- TEAMS report (Sylvia Rottman & JoAnn Vold)
- RMWEA/RMSAWWA Draft Winter Planning Meeting Schedule (See page 20 for agenda - lodging reservation deadline of **1/11/2012**)
- 2012 Joint Annual Conference budget



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- 2012 Joint Budgets - Updated version to be provided for your review prior to the meeting – **see separate budget attachment provided with the agenda**
- Operator Survey Results (Joint Education Council)

**Announcements:**

- Winter Planning Meeting, February 2-3, 2012, Ameristar, Black Hawk, CO  
Ameristar hotel reservations for 2/2/12 lodging may be made one of two ways by 1/11/12:
  1. Call 720.946.4000 and speak with a Guest Service Agent at the front desk. Please use the group code **GRMWB12** with group name **RMWEA / RMSAWWA**.
  2. Alternatively, you can go to Ameristar.com. From the home page, click on the 'Reservations' tab at the top. Then select 'Black Hawk' and then 'Reserve now'. The next screen will have a calendar and a few pictures to reference room types. In the 'Special Offer Code' slot, enter the group code **GRMWB12**. At that time you will be able to make your reservations at the \$89 rate.
- RMWEA/RMSAWWA Joint Governing Board Meeting, March 2, 2012 at Denver Water
- WFP Theme Dinner, Friday, March 9, 2012, Westin

**Teleconference Information:**

Please email Ryan Walsh [ryan.walsh@hatchmott.com](mailto:ryan.walsh@hatchmott.com) if you plan on participating via conference call. Phone number 1-888-809-4012, pass code 7641593#



## RMSA WWA/RMWEA Joint Committee Report

<b>Committee Name:</b>	Joint Education Council	<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Vicki Jones
<b>Date of Report:</b>		<b>Board Liaison:</b>	Mike Berry
<b>Next Committee Meeting:</b>	Winter Planning Meeting – Feb 2, 2011		
<b>Activities Since Last Report:</b>			
<p>Developed an event reporting form to use to initiate discussion regarding training committee event reporting to appropriate boards. It will probably be presented at the February meeting.</p>			
<b>Upcoming Activities/Future Plans:</b>			
<p>The JEC meeting will be incorporated in the JGB planning meeting on Thursday afternoon (Feb 2). Training committee chairs are strongly encouraged to attend this session of the Winter Planning Meetings.</p>			
<b>Does your Committee require Board Action or Involvement? What is it and When?</b>			
<p></p>			
<b>Are you Looking for Additional Committee Members? Or other Support?</b>			
<p>All Committee Chairs, Board members and Officers are invited to participate in Council.</p>			
<p style="text-align: center;">Don't forget to update the online RMWEA/RMSAWWA Calendar and your committee's webpage. Send updates to Ann Hall at <a href="mailto:ann.e.hall@comcast.net">ann.e.hall@comcast.net</a>.</p>			



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<b>Committee Name:</b>	New Mexico Involvement	<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Bob Paulette
<b>Date of Report:</b>	12-27-11	<b>Board Liaison:</b>	Tod Phinney, RMSAWWA Doug Dailey, RMWEA
<b>Next Committee Meeting:</b> 1-4-12			
<b>Activities Since Last Report:</b>			
<p>Water for People Golf Tournament – Held another exploratory meeting; still working to set tentative date of tournament</p> <p>Professional Development Luncheon, 12/8 – Josh Goldman, “Salt Recovery in RO Concentrates” 12/15/11 – WFP Wine tasting Party – scheduled at McCoy’s house</p>			
<b>Upcoming Activities/Future Plans:</b>			
1-26-12 – Professional Development Luncheon – NEW LOCATION AND DATE! Golden Corral at McCleod & San Mateo. Time the same.			
<b>Does your Committee require Board Action or Involvement? What is it and When?</b>			
no			
<b>Volunteer Needs:</b>			
<p>Does your committee need volunteers? Yes x or No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Is the need short-term? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> or No x</p> <p>Is the need long-term? Yesx or No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Please briefly describe the need? Participation in NMIC activities</p>			
<p>Don’t forget to update the online RMSAWWA Calendar and your committee’s webpage. Send updates to Ann Hall at <a href="mailto:ann.e.hall@comcast.net">ann.e.hall@comcast.net</a>.</p>			



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<b>Committee Name:</b>	Joint Pubs	<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Steve Frank
<b>Date of Report:</b>	12/23/11	<b>Board Liaison:</b>	
<b>Next Committee Meeting:</b>			
<b>Activities Since Last Report:</b>			
<p>Jim Tallent is working on a special issue of Rumbles to commemorate the publication's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. It will be published March 1. He is using materials from past issues of the magazine.</p>			
<b>Upcoming Activities/Future Plans:</b>			
<p>Craig Barnes and Ari Copeland take over as the new editors beginning Jan. 2. Jim Tallent is coordinating his departure and transition directly with them. Jim has been an absolute godsend to us. Much of what we've accomplished in the past several years is due to his dedication and creativity.</p>			
<b>Does your Committee require Board Action or Involvement? What is it and When?</b>			
<b>Volunteer Needs:</b>			
<p>Does your committee need volunteers? Yes or No          Is the need short-term? Yes or No          Is the need long-term? Yes or No          Please briefly describe the need:</p>			
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<b>Committee Name:</b>	JTAC	<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Steve Polson
<b>Date of Report:</b>	December 21, 2011	<b>Board Liaison:</b>	Dave Pier
<b>Next Committee Meeting:</b> January 26, 2012			
<b>Activities Since Last Report:</b>			
Luncheon seminar on December 15, 2011 (WISE Partnership). Running financials for the 2011/2012 luncheon seminar season are attached.			
<b>Upcoming Activities/Future Plans:</b>			
Luncheon on January 26, 2012 on Water Budget Efficiency.			
<b>Does your Committee require Board Action or Involvement? What is it and When?</b>			
No.			
<b>Are you Looking for Additional Committee Members? Or other Support?</b>			
No.			
Don't forget to update the online Calendar and your committee's webpage. Send updates to <a href="mailto:rmsadmin@rmsawwa.net">rmsadmin@rmsawwa.net</a> .			

<b>Joint Technical Activities Committee</b>												
<b>Luncheon Seminar Summary</b>												
<b>2011-2012 Season</b>												
<b>Luncheon Date</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Attendees</b>	<b>Non-Member</b>	<b>Student</b>	<b>Number of No-Shows</b>	<b>Paid</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Number of Non-Reserved</b>	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>Effective Cost/Paid Attendee</b>	<b>Net Revenue (Loss)</b>
10/13/11	UV System Performance Testing	29	3	4	2	2	100%	3	\$635.00	\$397.20	\$11.04	<b>\$237.80</b>
11/17/11	Statewide Nutrient Limits	79	10		3	1	33%	2	\$1,670.00	\$928.53	\$10.78	<b>\$741.47</b>
12/15/11	WISE (Water Supply and Efficiency) Project	56	4	1	2		0%	1	\$1,075.00	\$640.94	\$10.07	<b>\$434.06</b>
1/26/12	Water Budget Efficiency											
2/23/12	MWRD Ammonia Control											
3/22/12	Section 9 Waste Impoundment Regulations											
4/19/12	Southern Delivery System											
5/17/12	Breckenridge WWTP											
6/14/12	Second Generation ATAD											
	Gift Card -- Sandy Orren									\$78.00		<b>(\$78.00)</b>
	TU Fee for Fall 2011									\$50.00		<b>(\$50.00)</b>
	Planning Meeting											
	<b>Season Total</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>\$3,380.00</b>	<b>\$2,094.67</b>		<b>\$1,285.33</b>



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<b>Committee Name:</b>	Utility Management	<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Jim Ginley
<b>Date of Report:</b>	December 27, 2011	<b>Board Liaison:</b>	Mark Hartman
<b>Next Committee Meeting:</b>		To be determined -- in early January	
<b>Activities Since Last Report:</b>			
<b>Upcoming Activities/Future Plans:</b>			
<p>Planning a planning meeting for early January to sort out how we are going to approach the new year with our burgeoning load of subcommittees, which now include the Supervisory Training Certificate group/effort, the Knowledge Management group, the SCADA group, and the Human Resources group. These have all been added to what we have been doing previously to support the Grand Junction effort, tag team with Small Systems, and deliver a new management/leadership topic (Leadership Forum).</p>			
<b>Does your Committee require Board Action or Involvement? What is it and When?</b>			
No, thanks.			
<b>Volunteer Needs:</b>			
<p>Does your committee need volunteers? Yes or <i>No, don't "need" anyone - but always welcome newcomers</i></p> <p>Is the need short-term? Yes or No</p> <p>Is the need long-term? Yes or No</p> <p>Please briefly describe the need:</p>			
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<b>Date of Report:</b>	January 3, 2012	<b>Board Liaison:</b>	Mary Presecan
<b>Next Committee Meeting: January 11, 2012</b>			
<b>Activities Since Last Report:</b>			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Colorado Gives Day – December 6<sup>th</sup> – RMSWFP raises \$26,050!!!</li> <li>2. Monthly Committee Meeting – December 7th @ 6:00 pm, Office of Kennedy/Jenks. Sent out holiday cards and Annual Newsletter (see attached)</li> </ol>			
<b>Upcoming Activities/Future Plans:</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· <b>2012 Bolivia Theme Dinner and Auction</b> (March 9, 2012) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Turning Wine into Water Fundraiser (see attached flyer)</li> <li>○ Airline Mile Donation Requests</li> </ul> </li> <li>· <b>Upcoming Education Events</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Girl Scout / Brownie Troup presentation – Jan 14 or 28, 9-11 am</li> </ul> </li> <li>· <b>Corporate Sponsorship Program</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Currently soliciting annual sponsors</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
<b>Does your Committee require Board Action or Involvement? What is it and When?</b>			
No, thank you.			
<b>Are you Looking for Additional Committee Members? Or other Support?</b>			
Always!			
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water for people  
ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECTION

DECEMBER 2011  
ISSUE 3

## NOTES FROM THE CHAIR

With your support, the Rocky Mountain Section of Water For People (RMSWFP) committee raised over \$73,000 in 2011 – a \$39,000 increase over the funds that we raised in 2010! This fundraising boost is largely due to the expansion of our volunteer and donor base. Since the creation of Water For People by the American Water Works Association (AWWA) in 1991, and the development of the RMSWFP committee, our support base has traditionally consisted of engineers, scientists, contractors, equipment suppliers and other professionals in the water and wastewater industry. In the past three years, the Rocky Mountain Section has expanded our base of supporters to include professionals in a wide range of industries including finance, law, communications, and entrepreneurial enterprises.

Through this diverse breadth of expertise and support, our committee has been able to expand both our fundraising and educational outreach programs. We are excited to continue to grow our committee, with you. Your support is an essential element of Water For People's success: the mission to transform lives by empowering people to build and maintain their own reliable safe water systems, which improves health and economic productivity, and helps to end the cycle of poverty. Please check out our website to keep updated on our activities and to find out how you can stay involved: <http://rms.tap.waterforpeople.org>. Thank you for your continued support of the Rocky Mountain Section of Water For People! ~Emily Allen, RMS Water For People Chair

**SAVE THE DATE: 2012 BOLIVIA THEME DINNER, FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 2012**

Buffet at the 2011 Rwanda Theme Dinner



## ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

We extend a huge THANK YOU to Clark Tuck and Debby Patton for their work organizing the committee's annual golf tournament for the past 14 years. Clark and Debby are passing the torch as lead organizers of the tournament; we are very grateful for their many years of hard work and dedication. Thanks also to Steve Walker, Joe Tamburini, Jim Bauer, Bob Stanek, Jeff Slapper and John Bambei for their help in making the tournament such a success over the years.

The committee is excited to announce that Grant MacInnis has kindly offered to serve as lead organizer for the 2012 golf tournament. If you are interested in helping to plan next year's event, please contact Grant at [Grant.MacInnis@ge.com](mailto:Grant.MacInnis@ge.com).

## FUNDRAISING

The Rocky Mountain Section of Water For People raised \$73,805 in 2011! A huge increase compared to \$34,000 in 2010 and \$25,000 in 2009.

EVENT	DATE	NET PROFIT
2011 RWANDA THEME DINNER AND AUCTION	MARCH 4	\$20,000
CROWDRISE CHALLENGE	MARCH 22-APR 22	\$2,025
14 <sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT	AUGUST 1	\$4,280
SILENT AUCTION: RMSAWWA/RMWEA JOINT ANNUAL CONFERENCE	SEPT 19-21	\$1,750
RMSAWWA/RMWEA YOUNG PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEE SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT	SEPT 24	\$2,000
TEN THOUSAND VILLAGES COMMUNITY SHOPPING EVENT	NOV 10	\$200
COLORADO GIVES DAY - 2 <sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL	DEC 6	\$26,050
NEW MEXICO SUB-COMMITTEE FUNDRAISING EVENTS	ANNUAL	\$5,000
RMSAWWA DONATION	ANNUAL	\$2,500
CH2MHILL 2011 CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP	ANNUAL	\$10,000

**TOTAL 2011 FUNDS RAISED: \$73,805**

## Fundraising cont.

Our fundraising goal for 2012 is \$80,000. With your help, we are confident that we can achieve this goal! The committee hosts the above listed events annually. Mark your calendars now in anticipation of the committee's 2012 events! *We hope to see you there!*

### EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH PROGRAM

In 2011, the Rocky Mountain Section's educational programs continued to grow. We are excited that over the past few years, our volunteers have spread the message about water and sanitation issues around the world to hundreds of people. The volunteers at the Rocky Mountain Section established several interesting educational programs and have sought out new venues to share the work and solutions of Water for People.

This year, several more volunteers participated in the outreach, which meant that a wider audience heard about the water and sanitation challenges the rest of the world faces.

### ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECTION 2011 EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH EVENTS:

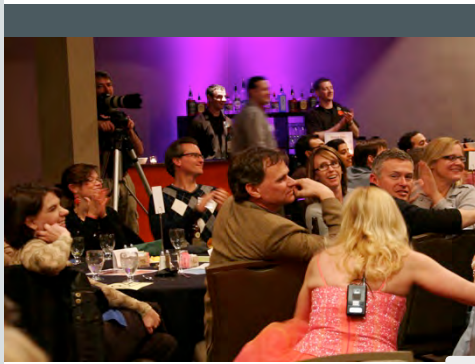
*Global Health Challenge*, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>  
*The Aurora Water Festival*, May 12<sup>th</sup>  
*World Water Monitoring Day*, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>  
*Bruce Randolph Middle School Presentation*, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>  
*Sand Creek Regional Greenway Partnership*, On-going



*Educational outreach with youth, Sand Creek Regional Greenway Partnership*

## Kennedy/Jenks Consultants Engineers & Scientists

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Kennedy/Jenks Consultants*

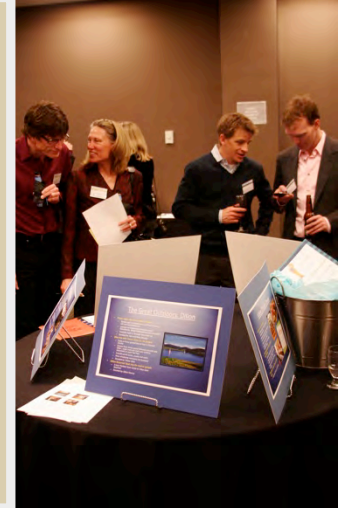


### SNEAK PEAK: 2012 ANNUAL THEME DINNER

The 2012 Theme Dinner will continue our tradition of joining together with friends and colleagues to celebrate Water For People. Each year we highlight a different Water For People program country. Last year, we honored the new program in Rwanda and the growth of Water For People into Africa. In 2010, we shared Water For People's vision for the Dominican Republic program, and in 2009 we explained the ambitious goals of the India program. For 2012, we will highlight the success in Cuchumuela, Bolivia, where Water For People is on the verge of reaching 100% coverage, which means Everyone will soon have access to safe water.

Jake Norton, a professional mountain guide and co-founder of Challenge21, will headline as the event's keynote speaker. Challenge21 is a fundraising mechanism that involves an attempt to climb the Triple Seven Summits - the three highest peaks on each continent - to help combat the world's most pressing development needs: water and sanitation. Both the climbing and philanthropic goals of Challenge21 are set high: over the next 3-4 years, Challenge21 plans to raise at least \$2.1

2011 Rwanda Theme Dinner. Top L, Live auction; Top R. Jason Assouline, Elisa Speranza, Emily Allen; R. Silent Auction; Bottom, Live auction



million for Water For People, and to get at least 2.1 million people actively engaged in and passionate about the water and sanitation crises.

Join us on March 9, 2012 at our Annual Theme Dinner to hear Jake speak about Challenge21 and Water For People's program in Bolivia. Please visit our website, <http://rms.tap.waterforpeople.org> or contact Ryan Walsh at [ryan.walsh@hatchmott.com](mailto:ryan.walsh@hatchmott.com) to purchase tickets to the Bolivia Theme Dinner.



# Rocky Mountain Section Water For People is...

**Turning Wine into Water!**

Please consider donating one or more bottles of wine to be auctioned at our annual Theme Dinner fundraiser (March 9, 2012). We need your help today!

For more information or to purchase tickets to the Theme Dinner please contact Emily Allen at [emilyallen@kennedyjenks.com](mailto:emilyallen@kennedyjenks.com)



## RMSAWWA and RMWEA Joint Committee Report



<b>Committee Name:</b>	Joint Water Reuse
<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Matthew Hayes
<b>Date of Report:</b>	12/30/11
<b>Next Committee Meeting:</b>	Colorado: November 10th, Excel Cherokee Station New Mexico:
<b>Activities Since Last Report:</b>	
CO: The committee is actively working the State on the regulation updates. The committee had a planning meeting for 2012. The committee is also beginning to plan the 2012 reuse workshop.	
<b>Upcoming Activities/Future Plans:</b>	
<b>Are These Activities Tied to the Section Strategic Plan? The Committee's Strategic Plan?</b>	
Yes.	
<b>Any Required Board Action or Involvement? What is it?</b>	
No.	
<b>Would you like to discuss your activities with the Board? When?</b>	
No.	
<b>Are you Looking for Additional Committee Members?</b>	
No, but new members are always welcome.	
Don't forget to update the On-Line RMSAWWA Calendar and your committee's webpage.	



## RMSAWWA/RMWEA Joint Committee Report

<b>Committee Name:</b>	Young Professionals	<b>Committee Chairs:</b>	Heidi Bauer & Mark Whitlatch
<b>Date of Report:</b>	January 3, 2012	<b>Board Liaisons:</b>	Will Ratz (RMWEA) & Jason Assouline (RMSAWWA)
<b>Next Committee Meeting:</b> January 6, 2012			
<b>Activities Since Last Report:</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year-End RMWYP Committee Celebration &amp; Committee Meeting</li> </ul>			
<b>Upcoming Activities/Future Plans:</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Schedule meetings with new leadership</li> </ul>			
<b>Does your Committee require Board Action or Involvement? What is it and When?</b>			
Recruit Company/Utility Liaisons to YP Committee!			
<b>Are you Looking for Additional Committee Members? Or other Support?</b>			
We are looking for Company/Utility Liaisons.			
Don't forget to update the online RMSAWWA Calendar and your committee's webpage. Send updates to Barb Martin at <a href="mailto:rmsadmin@rmsawwa.net">rmsadmin@rmsawwa.net</a> .			



## RMSA WWA/RMWEA Joint Committee Report

<b>Committee Name:</b>	Student Chapter Coordinator	<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Lela Perkins
<b>Date of Report:</b>	12/30/2011	<b>Board Liaison:</b>	N/A
<b>Next Committee Meeting:</b>		N/A	
<b>Activities Since Last Report:</b>			
<p>I worked with the student chapters to develop revised draft budgets and have sent these to the RMWEA and RMSAWWA Treasurers. CU is requesting a variance from the \$50 per meeting food budget guideline to \$60 and I recommend we accommodate it.</p> <p>UNM is in the process of transitioning leadership. Both Josh Goldman and Janet Leavitt have graduated. Janet has agreed to remain the point of contact until another student chapter president is in place.</p> <p>Student Design Competition – Two UW teams participated during the fall semester. So far one team from CSU has registered for the spring semester (registrations aren't due until 1/20/12 so Abbey expects more will come in over the next month).</p> <p>Attached is a copy of the final Student Chapter Support Roles and Responsibilities document for anyone that is interested in seeing it. This is the structure that will be utilized moving forward.</p>			
<b>Upcoming Activities/Future Plans:</b>			
Updating the student chapter critical information packet and educating the student chapters on the changes to the organizational structure.			
<b>Does your Committee require Board Action or Involvement? What is it and When?</b>			
Yes, approval of the proposed student chapter budgets.			
<b>Volunteer Needs:</b>			
<p>Does your committee need volunteers? Not at this time.</p> <p>Is the need short-term? Yes or No</p> <p>Is the need long-term? Yes or No</p> <p>Please briefly describe the need:</p>			
<p>Don't forget to update the online Calendar and your committee's webpage. Send updates to <a href="mailto:ann.e.hall@comcast.net">ann.e.hall@comcast.net</a></p>			

## **STUDENT CHAPTER SUPPORT ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

### **Introduction**

The position of Student Chapter Coordinator has been established to promote more active and direct participation of the student chapters with RMWEA and RMSAWWA. In past years, the student chapters have been insulated from the organizations through multiple layers of liaisons and committees. This has led to misunderstandings of the role of student chapters within the organization and confusion regarding who the student chapter should approach with various issues.

Using the structure outlined below, the student chapters will be encouraged to have more direct participation in both organizations. Routine communication with the student chapters will be accomplished using the Student Chapter Coordinator. This will minimize confusion among the student chapters about who to contact with questions and concerns.

### **Student Chapter Coordinator**

The Student Chapter Coordinator is responsible for the following:

1. The Student Chapter Coordinator must meet the requirements of 'Professional Liaison' as defined by AWWA
2. Identify potential schools and timing for starting new Student Chapters
3. Attend meetings with interested schools to present the benefits of forming a Student Chapter
4. Assist interested schools in developing, reviewing and submitting a Constitution and Bylaws for approval by RMSAWWA and RMWEA
5. Submit approved Constitution and Bylaws to WEF and AWWA
6. Update and distribute the Student Chapter Critical Information document to the Student Chapter Presidents as necessary
7. Conduct training conference calls with Student Chapter Presidents regarding the Student Chapter Critical Information document
8. Assist with budget development and review all draft Student Chapter budgets before they are submitted to the JGB
9. Verify which school is hosting the Student Conference each year (typically held the second Tuesday of May)
10. Be the point of contact for Student Chapters to answer questions and provide guidance
11. Check in with the Student Chapter Presidents on a monthly basis to maintain the path of communication
12. Assist with planning activities as needed
13. Disseminate pertinent JGB information to the Student Chapter Presidents

### **Student Chapter Liaison**

To help foster a connection between the student chapters and the Rocky Mountain Water Young Professionals (RMWYP) Committee, the RMWYP Committee will identify members within the RMWYP to serve as Student Chapter Liaisons. Student Chapter Liaisons are responsible for the following:

1. Attend and/or assist with student chapter activities (optional)
2. Facilitate involvement in the Student Design Competition, including:
  - a. Coordinate with Student Design Competition Coordinator and team
  - b. Attend facility tour (optional)
  - c. Participate in project plan review and 90% design review (optional)
3. Encourage students entering the workforce to get involved in the RMWYP Committee

### **Student Design Competition Coordinator**

The Student Design Competition Coordinator is responsible for the following:

1. Encourage participation in the Student Design Competition
2. Solicit and select a problem statement
3. Coordinate with professors regarding participation in the Student Design Competition
4. Update and distribute the Student Design Competition Guidance Document
5. Coordinate with the utility (or other sponsor) for site tours and design information
6. Maintain competition documentation on the RMWYP ftp site
7. Coordinate with teams and Student Chapter Liaisons on deadlines and deliverables
8. Facilitate review of deliverables
9. Develop an annual budget for the regional competition and for sending the winning team to compete at WEFTEC
10. Coordinate location and catering for competition day
11. Establish a judging panel for the competition
12. Assist winning team with logistics for WEFTEC, including help coordinating conference registration and reimbursement of allowable travel expenses
13. Submit communications to Rumbles and E-Rumbles as appropriate

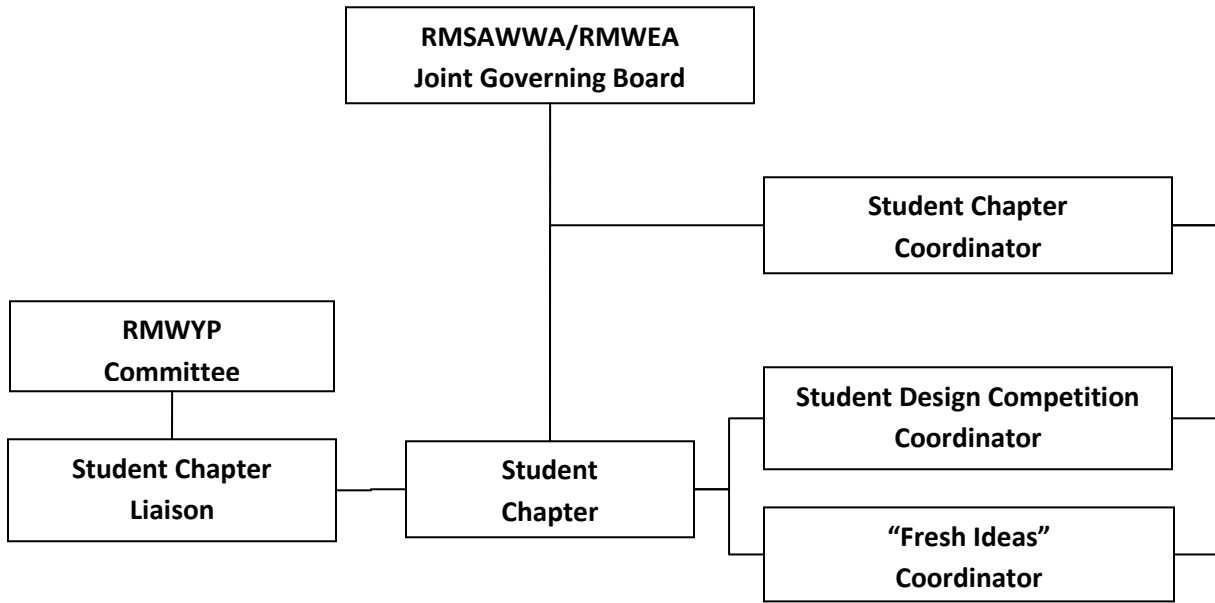
### **Fresh Ideas Coordinator**

The Fresh Ideas Coordinator is responsible for the following:

1. Encourage participation in Fresh Ideas competition
2. Coordinate Fresh Ideas competition held during the Annual Rocky Mountain AWWA/WEF Student Conference
3. Develop an annual budget for the winner to compete at the AWWA Annual Conference and Expo (ACE)

4. Assist the winner with competing at ACE, including help coordinating conference registration and reimbursement of allowable travel expenses
5. Notify appropriate AWWA representative of the local winner

**Student Chapter Support Organization Chart**





## Weekly Project Update December 19, 2011

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\*\*THE NEXT PROJECT UPDATE WILL BE DISTRIBUTED ON JANUARY 9, 2012.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS

- **Knowledge Management (KM) Subcommittee:** January 5, 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. (conference call)
- **Model Water Tower Competition Subcommittee:** January 6, 3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. at Denver Water
- **Industry Advisory Council:** January 19, 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at Denver Water
- **Jobs/Internship Task Force:** January 19, 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at Denver Water
- **KM Workshop I:** April 17, all day event
- **2012 Model Water Tower Competition :** May 12, time TBD

### RECENT ACTIVITIES

- The Industry Advisory Council (IAC) met on December 15. They discussed the Sustainability Plan which will be presented to the joint boards in February. Both associations have tentatively approved \$5,000 in funding for 2012. The IAC discussed developing proposals to solicit additional funding from targeted utilities. The IAC also discussed the opportunity for additional funding from CDLE. The group agreed that the focus of the new funds should be on addressing issues with rural/small systems and incumbent workers.
- Scholarship funding in the amount of \$40,000 from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) was approved and an interagency transfer was completed from CDPHE to the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment (CDLE). Arapahoe/Douglas Works will ultimately receive the funding and manage the scholarship process.
- The Jobs/Internship Task Force met on December 15. The group discussed many details related to the on-the-job training program and internship program. We will be announcing the new programs in February.
- AWWA student membership applications were delivered to all current students in the Water Utility Science (WUSP) and Water Quality Management (WQM) programs. RMSAWWA is underwriting the cost of the memberships so they are free to students. About 10 applications were received and forwarded to Stephanie Elliott.
- The KM Inventory Assessment Tool was revised and re-loaded into Zoomerang. An Excel version was also created. Access to both is on the KM webpage.
- Ms. Fahrenbruch received a call from Allison Watanabe with the U.S. EPA. She has invited project representatives to give a presentation about the project during their February webinar on
- A thank you letter template for guest speakers was developed and sent to the WUSP/WQM teachers for their use.
- Matt Bond and Ms. Fahrenbruch met with Brad Vickers and Jeff Barnier at Emily Griffith Technical College on December 15 to prepare for the January WQM Advisory Board meeting. The Board will be hearing from students as well as reviewing the Water and Wastewater Treatment D curriculum.
- Ms. Fahrenbruch spoke with Shere Holleman from Boulder Lifelong Learning on December 16. Six students in the Wastewater Collection course and six students in the Water Foundations course successfully completed their coursework last week.



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## RMSAWWA/RMWEA

February 2-3, 2012

### Winter Planning Meeting Schedule

Ameristar, 111 Richman Street, Black Hawk, CO



#### Thursday, February 2, 2012

Joint Activities:

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| 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. | Joint Governing Board – Joint Education Council Planning   |
| 2:30 – 2:45 p.m. | Break  |
| 2:45 – 5:00 p.m. | Joint Governing Board – Joint Planning for 2012  |
|                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Young Professional Engagement</li> <li>• The Future of Education and Training</li> <li>• Sustainability of Get Into Water! program</li> <li>• Supervisory program update/funding</li> </ul> |
| 6:30 p.m.        | Dinner at TBD, Black Hawk  |

#### Friday, February 3, 2012

Joint Activities:

7:00 – 8:00 a.m. Breakfast provided

RMSAWWA Activities:

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| 8:00 – 9:45 a.m.   | RMSAWWA Officers and Committee Chairs Meeting                   |
| 9:45 – 10:00 a.m.  | Break   |
| 10:00 - 12:00 p.m. | Training Session – Adult Learning 101: What Works, What Doesn't |

RMWEA Activities:

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| 8:00 – 10:00 a.m.  | RMWEA Executive Committee Meeting |
| 10:00 - 10:15 a.m. | Break                             |
| 10:15- 12:00 p.m.  | RMWEA Business Planning Meeting   |

Joint Activities:

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| 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. | Lunch provided                |
| 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.  | Joint Governing Board Meeting |

**Lodging:** Ameristar hotel reservations for 2/2/12 may be made one of two ways by 1/11/12.

- 1) Call 720.946.4000 and speak with a Guest Service Agent at the front desk. Please use the group code **GRMWB12** with group name **RMWEA/RMSAWWA**.
- 2) Alternatively, you can go to Ameristar.com. From the home page, click on the 'Reservations' tab at the top. Then select 'Black Hawk' and then 'Reserve now'. The next screen will have a calendar and a few pictures to reference room types. In the 'Special Offer Code' slot, enter the group code **GRMWB12**. At that time you will be able to make your reservations at the \$89 rate.

