

# EPCAMR 2012 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Board Meeting

Draft Agenda – May 17<sup>th</sup>

EPCAMR Office / Earth Conservancy Building, Ashley, PA

6:00PM	<b>Call to Order</b> (Sign-in Sheet)	Bernie
	<b>Minutes from Last Mgt. (February 23<sup>rd</sup>):</b> <u>Motion to accept &amp; approve</u>	Cheryl
	<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	
	• <u>Motion to</u> file Checking & PA Invest Account Balances for audit	Cheryl
	<b>AMR Program Reports</b> (See highlights at the end of this Document)	Staff
	<b>Committee Reports</b> (Personnel, Budget, Strategic Planning & Dinner/Fundraiser)	
	• Strategic: Staff merged documents into 2011 Update and sent to committee for approval	Respective Comm. Chairs
	<b>Old Business</b>	
	<b>New Business</b>	
	• <u>Approval of</u> Strategic Plan 2011 Update to Post on Web	Bernie
	• <u>Discussion on</u> ARIPPA 2012 Reclamation Award RFP (available)	Jeff
	• <u>Discussion on</u> ARIPPA/EP-WPCAMR Educational/Fundraising Event (speakers? attendees?)	
	• <u>Discussion on</u> Annual EPCAMR Meeting Venue and Ideas	Bernie
	• <u>Discussion on</u> Priorities to bring forward to Glenn Rider (PA DEP BCR)	
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	<b>Correspondence and Information</b>	
	• DEP Draft Water Quality Report, 80% of State Streams Meet Standards	Robert
	• OSM PA (DES-11) Proposals go to 1 firm in Eastern and 4 in Western PA	
	• Kind words from Cynthia Klenk, Senior Policy Advisor for Sen. Blake	
	• Local News Articles (4)	
	• General Liability Insurance Renewal from POWR for 2012-2013	
	• Treatment System Snapshot for Datashed, EPCAMR handling 5 (access)	Mike
	• AMD: an Epic Tale and AMD: It's Everyone's Business Videos	
	• First Ever Constructed mobile Solar Iron Oxide Drying Kiln Demonstration	
	<b>Grants, Conferences, Events, Workshops</b>	
	• <b>ARIPPA's AMD/AML/ASH Reclamation Talk / Fundraiser:</b> Tuesday, June 12, 2012 at Toftrees State College, PA.	Robert
	• <b>PA Game Commission Wildlife Issues Forum:</b> June 28-29 @ Ramada Inn, State College	
	• <b>ARIPPA 2012 AMD/AML \$10K Reclamation Award</b> (\$5K approved again for each 'CAMR Region) <u>RFP Deadline June 30<sup>th</sup></u>	
	• <b>2012 AMR Conference:</b> August 2-4 @ Ramada Inn, State College	
	<b>Watershed Reports</b>	All
8:30PM	<b>Next Meeting (Annual):</b> <i>Tentatively August 16<sup>th</sup></i> @ 5:30pm and Adjournment	

## AMR Program Staff 2nd Quarter Highlights (March 2012 – May 2012)

### Executive Director and General Staff Highlights

- Attended both Wilkes University and King's College Career Fairs to seek internship applications for the Summer/Fall 2012
- Completed an online 6 module training conducted by Penn-State University to become re-certified as a Master Well Owner Volunteer as of March 15, 2012; Final Cumulative score on all exams was a 97%
- Submitted EPCAMR comments on the draft PA DEP White Paper on the Utilization of AMD in Well Development for Natural Gas Extraction to the full membership of the State Mining & Reclamation Advisory Board (MRAB), the MRAB Reclamation Committee, and the SRBC Water Quality Advisory Committee for review Submitted EPCAMR comments to SRBC for the 2013-2014 Water Resources Program
- OSM-Pittsburgh, has once again come through, big time for EPCAMR by providing us with a copy of Global Mapper, valued at ~\$400 because an Enterprise License Agreement has been awarded to DOI and is available to all OSM, State and Tribal personnel doing Title IV and V SMRCA work as well as TIPS partners, including EPCAMR
- EPCAMR Staff worked with PA Tectonics and LRCA to install the pressure transducer and housing unit at the Old Forge AMD Borehole on the Lackawanna River
- EPCAMR Staff designed and constructed the first ever built mobile Solar AMD Kiln for drying iron oxide supported by a grant from PPL and the Wilkes-Barre Area School District

Robert Hughes

*Full Monthly Reports for all staff are [available online](#) for your review*

### Program Manager Highlights

- EPCAMR staff conducted a Teacher Training Workshop, led students on a tour of AMD sites, participated in 2 AMR Conference calls and hosted an EPCAMR board meeting. Printed 4 posters for an educational display and designed a car magnet to market EPCAMR during field work.
- EPCAMR Staff attended a Professional Geologists course and an informal QuickBooks training.
- EPCAMR staff sampled 15 boreholes in the Lackawanna Valley, 26 in the Wyoming Valley monthly and “day-lighted” 3 boreholes. Measured flow on 2 discharges bi-weekly, 2 discharges monthly and setup a transducer to continuously monitor water levels on the Old Forge Borehole. Researched Water Quality probes for possible future purchase through foundation grant.
- Finished processing 1 set of cross sections for the southern and structure contours in northern field. Completed a 3D mine pool model and calculated volumes for the western tip of the southern field related to the mine pool mapping initiative. Updated 4 GIS datasets, created 6 maps and shared with EPCAMR partners.
- Continued transferring old archived content from Nuke to WordPress format and added an informational page [www.epcamr.org](http://www.epcamr.org). Started work on [www.treatminewater.com](http://www.treatminewater.com). Administered the EPCAMR facebook page and Google Apps for Nonprofits account.

Michael Hewitt