EPCAMR 2012 Annual (4th Quarter) Board Meeting
Tentative Agenda – November 15th
EPCAMR / Earth Conservancy Office Conference Room

6:00PM
Call to Order (Sign-in Sheet)  Bernie
Minutes from Last Mgt. (August 16th): Motion to accept & approve Christine
Treasurer’s Report
• 2011 990s were Filed and Completed by Kovalchik, Kollar and Co. LLP Robert
  97.58% Non Profit Cheryl
• Motion to file Checking & PA Invest Account Balances for audit

AMR Program Reports (See highlights at the end of this Document) Staff

Committee Reports (Personnel, Budget, Strategic Planning & Dinner/Fundraiser)
• Personnel: review of EPCAMR employee evaluations and merit raise recommendation to the board Respective Comm. Chairs

Old Business

New Business
• Motion to approve Personnel Committee Recommendations Personnel Com.
  Jeff
• Discussion on EPCAMR proposal to map ARIPPA’s Reclaimed Spoil Piles

Correspondence and Information
• Widener University Legal Interpretation on the Good Samaritan Act: A Citizen’s Guide Robert
• 3 Growing Greener Grants applied for: EPCAMR Abandoned Mine Program Coordination, Lewis Mine Discharge Treatment System Revamp & Datashed (SRI); Several letters of support were given to partners.

Grants, Conferences, Events, Workshops
• 2013 Schuylkill River Watershed Congress March 9th, at the Montgomery County Community College-West Campus in Pottstown, PA. Paul
• 2013 North American EnviroThon May 21st & 22nd at Juniata College. AMD Tie Dye Workshop Cheryl
• 2013 PA Abandoned Mine Reclamation Conference August 8-10 at Ramada Conference Center, State College, PA. Theme: “15 Years and Counting…Full Steam Ahead!” Robert

Watershed Reports All

8:30PM
Next Meeting (Annual): Tentatively February 21st @ 6:00pm and Adjournment
AMR Program Staff 3rd Quarter Highlights (September 2012 – November 2012)

Executive Director and General Staff Highlights

- Coordinated an AMD Tour of Luzerne/Lower Lackawanna Counties for PACD/SCC, Luzerne and Lackawanna County Conservation Districts.
- EPCAMR Staff and Interns conducted two full days of 12 electro-shocking surveys on the Solomon Creek Watershed with Trout Unlimited as part of the Solomon Creek Coldwater Heritage Conservation Planning effort. A portion of Sugar Notch Run that was on the impaired waters list actually was supporting a trout population. Data will be sent to DEP to support removal from the list.
- EPCAMR Staff attended the Non-Profit Community Assistance Center's (NCAC) Awards Dinner at the Radisson, Scranton and was awarded a Runner-Up Award Plaque, and year-long membership to the NCAC for our Mine Pool Mapping of the Anthracite Region.
- EPCAMR Staff worked on the budget, narrative, and Scope of Work for 5 grant proposals: the Lewis AMD Mine Bond Forfeiture Discharge Treatment System Revamp proposal to GG (~$97,000), the EPCAMR AML Program Coordination proposal to GG ($125K), the ARIPPA Reclaimed Areas GIS proposal to ARIPPA (~$8K), the Espy Run AMD Treatment System AMD Water Monitoring Proposal to EC (~$2,400) and the Huber Miner’s Memorial Park reclamation project proposal to FFA with the WB CTC ($2500). The last 3 were already approved for funding.
- EPCAMR Staff participated in and AMD/Outreach Earth Day Festival at Camp Kresge, White Haven with the entire Bear Creek Charter Elementary School consisting of 430 students
- EPCAMR Staff, along with Tom Clark-SRBC co-presented our Abstract on Mine Pools at the 2012 National Association of Abandoned Mine Lands Program (NAAMLP) Conference and attended the conference from 23rd-27th of September in Des Moines, Iowa.
- Interviewed Sarah-Jane Gerstman, senior from Wilkes University, with a background in environmental science, for a non-paid internship for credit through Wilkes; She had previously been an EPCAMR volunteer on several illegal dump site cleanups.

Program Manager Highlights

- EPCAMR staff participated in an AMR Conference Call and converted over 20 PPT presentations to PDF and posted to www.treatminewater.com.
- EPCAMR staff conducted a tour for DCNR Community Connections to Our Watershed Forum students, attended the LRCA 25th Anniversary Dinner and attended the PEC NEO Dinner as an awardee.
- Continued to updated mine pool GIS files in the Southern and Western Middle Anthracite Fields and North Western Semi-Anthracite fields. Created contiguous set of 100’ contours for the Southern Field. Produced a 3D Mine Pool Video and printed 4 cross sections for presentation to a national audience.
- Produced a case study showing 72% of reclamation not accounted for in AMLIS (near the Hanover Industrial Park) for the ARIPPA as an addendum to a proposal to document reclamation by the co gen industry. A pilot project was approved starting with 3 volunteer plants to begin to develop methodologies.
- EPCAMR staff submitted 2 grants, collaborated on another and provided several support letters for partner Growing Greener Grant proposals.
- Created 1 published map file, 3 maps, 2 GIS and 1 statistical database for partners.
- Measured flow and chemistry on 4 more discharges with a grad student at Lehigh U.