



Nebraska Association of RC&D Councils

November 18, 2015

10:00 a.m. CST
Conference Call
Mullen, Nebraska

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 am CST.

1.) **Welcome and introductions of Executive Committee** – President, Twila Phillips

Officers: President – Twila Phillips, Vice-President – Hilery Spray, Secretary – Janet Sanders, Treasurer - Janet Sanders

***Council of 11:** Five Rivers-Absent; Loup Basin- Janet Sanders, Dale Melia; Great Plains- Brian Norton; Loess Hills- Dick Leitschuck; North Central- Mike Burge, Kim Burge; Northeast- Dick Haskin, Dennis Wacker; Panhandle-Joyce Mick, Jeff Kelley; Prairieland-Absent; Sandhills- Twila Phillips, Virginia Sizer, Bill Henry; Southwest-Absent; Trailblazer-Absent*

Note: Twelve members in total were present.

2.) **Roll Call of Delegates** – RC&D Council Delegate letters were confirmed.

3.) **Minutes of 2014 Annual meeting:** Mike moved to accept the minutes of the September 29, 2014 annual meeting of the Nebraska State RC&D Association, Bill seconded the motion, motion carried.

4.) **Committee Reports**

- a.) Annual Audit – Twila read the annual audit report of the Nebraska State RC&D Association conducted by Dale Melia, Treasurer of the Loup Basin Council. No discrepancies noted in the report. Jeff moved to accept the annual audit report of the Nebraska State RC&D Association, Mike seconded the motion, motion carried.
- b.) Treasurer's Report and Prepared Budget for 2015-2016. Janet presented the treasurer's report. Bill moved to accept the treasurer's report of the Nebraska State RC&D Association, Brian seconded the motion, motion carried. The income and expense items were reviewed in the prepared budget. After discussion, Mike moved to approve the budget for 2015-2016 of the Nebraska State RC&D Association, Bill seconded, motion carried.
- c.) Nomination Committee: President, Twila Phillips and Vice President – Hilery Spray.

Twila tried to contact Hilery Spray, Vice-President of the Nebraska State RC&D Association and did not hear back from her.

Election of officers under Item 10 – President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer.

5.) Old Business

- a.) Website – Janet went over details of the website.
- b.) Other old business – none.

6.) New Business

- a.) Updates from State (NRCS) – December 10th meeting in Lincoln or teleconference. Redo Memorandum of Understanding; potentially new partners, comments to go to Lincoln.
- b.) Updates from National RC&D Association – Twila will forward National emails to Councils.
- c.) Individual Council Dues structure discussion – Councils shared their dues structure.
- d.) Other new business – Under item 7.)
- e.) 2016 National RC&D Conference – Reno, NV – July 10-13, 2016. Joyce reported that there will be a Western RC&D meeting during the 2016 National RC&D Conference.

7.) Additional new business

- a.) Director/Officer Liability Insurance for Nebraska State RC&D Association. Twila asked which Councils had Directors/Officer Liability Insurance. After some discussion amongst the Council members. Bill made a motion that the Nebraska State RC&D Association not pursue the Director/Officer Liability Insurance for the Nebraska State RC&D Association. Dennis seconded the motion, motion carried.

8.) Western

- a.) Western dues notice - \$75.00 Joyce, Treasurer, of the Western RC&D Association.
- b.) Western Conference Call – 2nd Tuesday of each month 6:00 p.m. (Mountain Time)

9.) Councils discussion/sharing – Roundtable discussion and updates were provided by all Council members present.

10.) Election of Officers – Up for election at the annual meeting of the Nebraska State RC&D Association for the fall of 2015 is the offices of president, vice president, and secretary/treasurer. Twila nominated Janet to serve as secretary/treasurer. Dennis moved to elect Janet to serve as the 2016 Secretary/Treasurer of the Nebraska State RC&D Association. Mike seconded the motion, motion carried. Twila nominated Joyce to serve as Vice President. Jeff moved to elect Joyce as Vice President of the Nebraska State RC&D Association. Bill seconded the motion, motion carried. Jeff

nominated Twila to serve as President and moved to elect Twila to serve as the 2016 President of the Nebraska State RC&D Association. Dick seconded the motion, motion carried.

11.) **Adjourn** – Twila thanked everyone in attendance on the conference call. The next regular meeting would be the third Wednesday of December; after some discussion. Dennis moved to move the next regular meeting to January. Bill seconded the motion, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:03 p.m. CST.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet M. Sanders, Secretary