Minutes of WGWA Board Meeting on January 28, 2008

Attendees: Lee Trotta, Corey Pagels, Troy Thompson, Ken Wade, Paula Richardson, Joan Viney.

1. The Spring Conference budget was approved on Ken’s motion and Troy’s second.
2. A $1000 total was approved for student presentation awards at the Conference on Becky’s motion and Troy’s second.
3. Giving the Treasurer authority to make specific annual donations without need for Board approval was discussed. Becky will check on the status of Groundwater Guardian as a potential recipient.
4. Changes in the processing of WGWA Notes were discussed along with an increase in Joan Viney’s duties since her hire 6 years ago. Ken suggested we encourage newsletter readers to go electronic by charging them an extra fee for a snail mail version. Becky will check the bylaws on how such a fee increase might be handled and draft a newsletter article on the matter. This subject will be revisited as an agenda item at our next Board meeting. A trial quarter with Joan sending out WGWA Notes on approval of the President was approved on Becky’s motion and Mike’s second. An increase in Joan’s Quarterly fee by $100 to a total of $500/qtr was approved on Becky’s motion and Mike’s second.
5. The need for a formal election process was deemed important in spite of a lack of competing nominees. Mike will moderate an election based on ballot results from a WGWA Note he will compose.
6. The Board approved supporting expenses (to be reimbursed later by NGWA) associated with Lee’s attendance at the NGWA Leadership Training in DC on February 24th.

The next Board meeting will be held on March 5th, just before the Spring Conference.