WGWA Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday November 7, 2006 Conference Call

Persons present: Boyd Possin, Janis Kesy, Corey Pagles, Becky Caudill, Troy Thompson, Ken Wade, Mike Raimonde, Joan Viney, Dave Nemetz, and Lee Trotta

- I. Call to order about 5:30 pm.
- II. Minutes from last meeting August 16, minutes posted to website. Any comments on the minutes please send to Janis by November 15.
- III. Treasurers Report \$5,000 was moved into a CD. Balance in checking account \$7,363.07. Field trip income was \$1645. Field trip expenses were bus-\$827.81, hotel -\$500 deposit to hold rooms (should receive reimbursement), dinner -\$1110.65. Field trip loss of \$293.43.
- IV. Membership Report -. Currently 208 members. No change in membership
- V. Old Business

Logo Contest – Received one Logo entry. Joan will make some changes to the logo submitted and distribute to board for feedback.

VI. New Business

Elections – 2007 officers open positions: President-Elect – candidate for position Mike Raimonde. Secretary – candidate for position Troy Gawronski. Election ballots will be sent out by November 27. One At Large Board Member Position comes open in 2007. Becky asked Cory if he would continue in the position for 2007-2009 and he agreed. Board approved appointment of Cory Pagels as an at large board member.

Fall Field Trip – Small attendance for trip – 18 people. Trip was very good and everything went very well. Ken Bradbury's talk on Friday evening was very good. Field trip leaders from Door County Soil and Conservation Department did a great job! Trip was very relevant, educational and entertaining. Boyd will send a Thank You to the two men from Door County Soil and Conservation. Will include membership to WGWA.

Future changes to field trip? Announce earlier, find ways to promote the trip, look at demographics/location, considered co-participating with another organization such as AIPG.

Newsletter Advertising – Geosciences Midwest has contacted Troy about advertising in the WGWA newsletter. Now that the newsletter is electronic how do we want to handle the advertising rates? Discussed various options settled on ½ banner (1/4 page) charge \$50, whole banner (1/2 page) charge \$100. A link can be created or they can provide a link to add to the banner. No charge for link if they are a WGWA corporate member.

Spring Conference 2007 – Tentative date Friday February 23. Becky has contacted the Kalahari. They are able to accommodate us for February 23. Room rate Thursday night \$99, room rate Friday night \$199. Send out a call for papers before Thanksgiving. Three people have volunteered to help with the conference: Lori Rosemore (Ayres), Paula Richardson (NRT), Eric Kovatch (NRT).

Contracting membership duties –Decision made not to retain a service too expensive. Becky offered to help Lee with the membership renewals.

Received email from Wisconsin Crop Producers. They would like WGWA to join their organization and have a booth at their conference in January. Board is to think about it and make a decision.

VII. Boyd made motion to adjourn meeting. Janis seconded motion.