



## **Minutes of Board Meeting Thursday, August 25, 2022**

**Participants:** Dan Corum, Liv Johansson, Kate Kurtz, Scott Deatherage, Mary Harrington, Janet Thoman, Reingard Rieger, Dave Kenney, Logan Harvey, Bob Barrows, Wendy Weiker, Troy Lautenbach, Nehemias Chalma, Michael Houseman

**Absent:** Katie Kennedy, Jan Allen, Jeff West, Andy Smith, Nate Fleming

**Staff:** Brooke Galloway (AMI).

### **Meeting called to order at 10:32 am**

Mary Harrington read WORC mission statement and Kate Kurtz read WORC anti-trust statement.

**Annual Conference:** Scott Deatherage- reported that it is going well and committee is happy to have Tilth as partner. Currently finalizing WORC track and asked for volunteers to assist. Budget has been finalized, vendors and sponsors are key and are currently at about 50% of their goal. Annual meeting will be held here, committees should be ready to share brief report.

**Webinars:** Kate Kurtz- reported that they delivered 6 webinars and are complete! Discussed that the tour had the lowest attendance, the legislative recap had the highest. Asked for webinar ideas for 2023 to begin generating ideas.

**Legislative:** Dan Corum- asked board for suggested items that might need to be addressed. Discussed PFAS bill coming out and wanting to get ahead of it with messaging for their industry. Highlighted a few bills that might come through and will need to be addressed. Discussed facility expansion and the bill requirements and mentioned 1383 will streamline bills across state in California.

**COFT:** Liv Johansson- reported event has 45 in attendance, including one scholarship awardee. Reported that it is right on schedule, busses are secured, menus and ordering in progress. Speaker bios and presentations are in the works and touring sites booked. Last items work on are compiling student materials and revising the exam.

**Soil for Salmon:** All going well

**Marketing:** Kate Kurtz- Newsletter: mentioned that it is not in her bandwidth and asked for assistance. Discussed the time commitment and importance of the newsletter going out in the fall in September/October. Sent out quarterly. Next one- CFOT, Conference. Janet Thoman volunteered.

**Treasurer Report:** Scott Deatherage- Reported that WORC has done very well this year. Assets increased over previous year. Due to CFOT registrations without expenses that have come through. Membership dues are ahead of budget.

**Ecology Contamination Study:** Mary Harrington- reported that they have signed contract and doing 4 season sort and a report will be sent next year. Lining up composters now. Board discussed questions and items they are interested in coming from the study.

**Board Election:** Dan Corum- reported that they will send ballots to all members shortly and wanted to have reminder of terms. Reminded board that the last few years have been pandemic times and they are excited for how things are going and where they are headed. He also mentioned to keep others in mind that would be great additions to the board and that they could add more positions.

Closing remarks on upcoming activity in the industry were mentioned and discussed.

**The meeting was adjourned at 11:49 am**