Montana Environmental Health Association Board of Directors Meeting May 19, 2011

MEHA Board member Present:

Christine Hughes, President
Crystal Nuno, Past President
Karen Solberg, President-Elect
Ruth Piccone, 1st Vice President
Greg McGann, Director
Patty Hamblock, Short Term Secretary

MEHA Board member Absent:

Tom Moore, Director Steve Kilbreath, Director, Kathy Moore, Treasurer Frank Preskar, Alternate Treasurer/Director

Call to Order: Christine Hughes called the conference call to order at 1:30.

Meeting Agenda:

- 1. Review/Approval of Minutes from April 7, 2011. Karen Solberg motioned to approve, Crystal Nuno/Ruth Piccone seconded, they were approved by the group.
- 2. Treasurer's Report Kathy Moore, Treasurer was absent so no report was presented.
- 3. Committee/ Committee Reports:

A. Nominations:

Printouts are available to fill out; all members are encouraged to solicit prior to Fall Conference/Membership Meeting.

B. Awards:

Flyer is filled out; all members are encouraged to consider nominees, especially those who will be retiring soon.

C. Articles/Bylaws:

Gino Pizzini will help Ruth out.

D. Legislation/Resolutions:

An outcome summary is available, contact Christine. Discussed having a 2.5-hour session at the Fall Conference on Legislative Issues. Crystal suggested holding this session prior to the general membership meeting. Christine will continue communicating with Laura Weir.

E. Conference Planning:

September 12-14, 2011 in Billings, MT. The next joint planning meeting is on May 27th. Numerous (39) speaker applications have been received. Exhibitor notices have been sent out. The venue is set. There was some discussion about hiring an executive conference planner. Steve Kilbreath has proposed holding a 4-hour pre-session on Monday afternoon to address DEQ updates for contracted counties.

F. Membership:

Membership count is about 126. More brochures will be printed and distributed prior to Fall Conference.

G. Communications:

Rod Daniel (Ravalli) will prepare a newsletter mid-June; all members are encouraged to contribute.

H. Archives:

MEHA Foundation - Crystal will schedule a meeting.

4. Old Business:

- 1. Spring Conference-feedback received re: Conference Call using I-Link was positive, Crystal requested this format is continued.
- 2. To encourage attendance the location of the conference has been rotated between Missoula, Billings and Great Falls. It was suggested that the rotation continue as the default but let members approve. Ruth suggested presenting this in two separate motions, 1) proposing Great Falls as the next Fall Conference location and 2) proposing a rotating schedule.

5. New Business:

- 1. Jennifer Pinnow will provide an update at upcoming meetings.
- 2. Next MEHA Board conference call was scheduled for June 16th at 1:30 p.m.

Call to Adjourn: Christine Hughes called for adjournment at 2:12.