

N.C.S.T.A.  
Annual Business Meeting  
February 1, 2013  
Hickory Metro Convention Center

Call to Order: Jerry Pearce, President

Opening Prayer: David Cooper, Vice President

Attendance taken by Sign in sheet.

Minutes Review: September minutes reviewed and motion to accept made by Nelson Bates, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill Hardee, approved.

2012 Review:

- Focus on regional classes
- Thanks for all the hard work of our members and Emerald Enterprise for making these classes a huge success.
- We have 9 locations set for 2013

Treasurer Report: 2012 year-end report reviewed and motion to accept as read made by Phillip Wallwork, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stanley Mills, approved.

Lobbyist Update:

- New Republican Governor in Raleigh, with the majority in House and Senate. First time since 1892.
- Proposal to get Onsite Wastewater back under DENR. This would be better for our industry than under DHHS, where it is now.
- Proposal for Privatization of Permitting by Soil Scientist
- Proposal for Master Certification. Would allow a high level of systems to be installed by higher level of installer. Would require higher level of CE's and would require insurance, bonding, etc.
- Derricks and Cranes law. We are working towards permanent exemption for Septic Tank Trucks.
- Land Application sites are covered under "Farm" exemptions and are safe from Property Tax re-evaluations.

Board of Directors Election: The incumbent Board Member Latt Moretz position was challenged by Tim Wood from Infiltrator. Ballots were mailed in by members and held in sealed envelope. The envelope was brought into the meeting, the seal opened and votes counted by Connie Stephens and Doug Lassiter.

Results:

Latt Moretz = 40 votes

Tim Wood = 26 votes

Tim makes a comment that the form stated that: all members would receive a ballot, they would be counted by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party and revealed by them within 10 days. The Board feels like we complied with the outline. All ballots were mailed and given a deadline to be returned. The ballots were sealed, and then counted in front of all members present at the Annual meeting by Emerald Enterprise and Doug Lassiter, not any Board Members.

Other Business:

A comment was entertained by Eddie Stallings that it was a concern that NCSTA would cease to exist if we lost the certification classes. He is concerned that we pay double in Administrative fees and Lobbying fees as NCSTA membership fees can cover. Replay consisted of, the reason we have the added expense is because of the certification classes and the high value of our Lobbyist in Raleigh and the impact on our industry.

Tom Mattison compliments the convention and the turn out. He feels our industry needs new innovative systems and feels our Regulators need to be up to date! It takes too long to get approval for new innovative systems.

Motion to Adjourn: Eddie Stallings, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ace Potter, adjourned