



Education & Training Council Virtual Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2025

- A. Attendees Joel Martinez, Angie Goodman, Jonelle Moore, Rebecca Chesnut, Greg Alimmenti, Koren Carpenter, LaShone Bedford, and Elliot Braun.
- B. Agenda- Angie Goodman motioned to approve the agenda for the meeting.
- C. Approval of Minutes from December 11, 2024 meeting – The meeting minutes of the December meeting were approved with a spelling correction made to the minutes.
- D. Committee Liaison Update.
 - 1. Regional Seminar Planning –Regional seminars are planned for April. The event speaker list is completed.
 - 2. Source Water – Angie stated that source water discussions will be held at the Regional Seminars.
 - 3. U.P. – Greg provided an update on the Spring Conference, scheduled for April 1st and 2nd, with a full schedule of presentations and vendor tables. Rebecca reported that the attendance sign-up for the conference was going well.
 - 4. Water Security & Emergency Maintenance – Koren proposed restarting the cybersecurity committee and suggested an article in the Water Works News to attract members. She mentioned partnerships with CISA and Michigan State Police for cybersecurity assessments and encouraged others to sign up for free assessments. Koren will draft an article highlighting the importance of the committee and the partnership with CISA.
 - 5. Distribution System Practices – Jonelle reported that Field Day was going well, with more presentations and a higher turnout than previous years. Rebecca
 - 6. Asset and Infrastructure Management – No report
 - 7. Laboratory Practices – Joel stated that the Laboratory Practices Committee, which hosts an annual seminar, is currently in a phase of evaluating what worked and what didn't. They are trying to balance the focus between wastewater and water.
 - 8. Maintenance – L. Bedford was not able to attend the previous maintenance committee meeting, but expressed her interest in remaining the liaison for the group.
 - 9. Health and Safety – No report.
 - 10. Research and Treatment Practices – Joel suggested that the research and treatment practices group could potentially give presentations at ACE and regional seminars, and they were interested in writing articles for Waterworks News.
- E. Water Works News – Joel mentioned that the Water Works News magazine is always looking for articles. It was once again mentioned that the RTP may be a good group to go to for this.

- F. Other Business – Joel mentioned the need for a new co-chair for the group. We will actively begin looking for someone to fill this role.
- G. The next meeting was scheduled for June 18, 2025.
- H. The meeting was adjourned