

NEFAP Executive Committee (NEFAP EC)
Meeting Summary
February 15, 2023

1. Roll call:

Tracy Szerszen, Chair, called the NEFAP Executive Committee to order on February 15, 2023 at 11:15am Eastern. Attendance is included in Attachment A - there were 8 NEFAP EC committee members present and 3 Associate members. Guest: Jerry Parr.

The December minutes were reviewed. The Board presentation should be added to the minutes. A motion was made by Kim to approve the December 6, 2023 minutes with the addition of the presentation and a edits to the last paragraph of Section 4. The motion was seconded by Paul. Discussion:

Jerry noted that the Board supports the effort, but they are disappointed in the lack of progress. He is increasing the budget so we can get more exposure and do the Sampling Conclave. NEFAP is about 1% of the budget, so not a real resource drain. Let's try something new to make it work.

The motion was unanimously approved.

2. Virtual Field Conclave

Tracy presented the flyer on Webex and asked for comments. The date for responses needs to be changed.

- The presenters need to be lined up by the end of March so we can open registration in early April.
- The initial RSVP date needs to be March 14th.
- Ilona will work on abstract instructions.
- Presentations will be 30-40 minutes depending on response.
- Tracy will add her email address to the RSVP section.
- The TNI number on the flyer will be answered by Paul Junio. Ilona will let him know.
- The fax number is correct, but it will be taken off. No one uses it anymore.

Tracy pulled up the list of possible speakers from the San Antonio conference and reviewed it.

- Katie couldn't get anyone at USGS.
- Paul had a letter from the Dept of Interior. He will look for Adrian Gonzalez – University of Tennessee. Discuss water sampling. Paul will follow-up.
- DoD – PFAS or sampling 1,4-Dioxane.
- Dan Hautman – Present on PFAS in Drinking Water. Also Lead in DW.
- Adrian Hanley – PFAS Sampling
- Troy Strock – Work groups
- John Moorman can't participate in Committee anymore, but still wants to help. He may be sending someone else. Possibly dropping membership for TNI.
- CA – Steve Weisberg – California Coastal also reach out to Christine Sotelo
- Paul Jackson at Pace – Speciality Services – Sales person - No hands on sampling access. Nick Nigro – PFAS expert. One lab in Pace is a NEFAP – water monitoring and air stack testing. Elizabeth will reach out to someone to see if they can do a sampling presentation.
- Mertens sent a message from Dir of Wastewater Surveillance – webinar tomorrow. That is the person we should reach out to. Municipal Wastewater labs. Ana Emitora – Waste water surveillance program. Water Environment Federation (WEF).
- Stacie Crandall's work is more surveillance.
- Shannon and Kim will work on Cannabis. She's been doing Cannabis sampling.
- Emergency sampling planning? Someone from Environmental Standards? Rock and David.
- Jerry will reach out to Jordan to see if he has someone who can talk on sampling for things like Pearl Harbor.
- Marlene can do a talk on Quality Control in the Field.
- Scott is happy to do a presentation to fill in a gap also.
- Jerry sent an invite to a professor on passive sampling for PFAS. Edmundson. Worchster College.
- Kevin – Brown Water Sampling
- Silky may have some ideas.

7 talks per day.

Possible session titles could include Emerging Contaminants and Sampling.

Need to look for speaker coordinators.

Flyer – Ilona will send it to Jerry Thao to begin marketing on LinkedIn

Tracy will send out flyer to Committee so everyone can begin sharing it.

3. Updates

- Patrick has provided possible language to Tracy for inclusion in Module 2 of the Lab Standard.
- Paul Junio provided information for the training section of the quarterly update. Tracy will have the metrics to Ilona by March 3, 2023.

- Scott is asking for comments from the NEFAP EC on Volume 1 and 2. The plan is to follow the lab standard and include language for a Quality Manager and Technical Manager.
- Jerry commented that ANSI changed their license agreement. The new one does allow some flexibility and “lab” could be changed to “FSMO”. Need to talk to NGABs if this creates problems. It would make it more personal to the program. David does not think he would have any issues.

4. New Business

None.

5. Action Items

Action items are maintained in the Action Summary Table.

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on March 15, 2023 at 1pm Eastern by teleconference.

Tracy adjourned the meeting at 2:30pm Eastern. (Motion – Kim, Second – Katie)

Attachment A

TNI NEFAP Executive Committee

Members	Affiliation	Balance	Contact Information
Justin Brown (FSMO) (2023*) Absent	EMT	FSMO/Lab	jbrown@emt.com
Tracy Szerszen (AB) Chair Present	PJ Laboratory Accreditation, Inc.	AB	tszerszen@pjlabs.com
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Attachment B

Backburner / Reminders – NEFAP Executive Committee

	Item	Meeting Reference	Comments
4	Review Charter.	October 2020	
6	Evaluate how to handle adding additional ABs. Impact on committee size.	8-6-12	
9	Determine need for a policy or statement regarding the assessment of sampling.	4-22-13	
11	Form transition plan for implementation of new Field Standard when it is approved.	1-17-18	