

**AISWCD Executive Committee**  
*Conference Call: April 17, 2015 at 8:30 am*  
**Meeting Minutes**

<b>Present:</b> Myron Kirby Tom Beyers Kenny Vosholler Van Bitner Jerry Snodgrass Steve Stierwalt David McCormick Lonnie Wilson Kelly Thompson Gina Bean Matt Hanauer	<b>Absent:</b> Glen Bowers
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Myron Kirby called the meeting to order at 8:31 am and Gina Bean took roll.

**Bylaws Change**

There was discussion in the group about the Dues payments and Districts being in good standing with AISWCD.

*Motion: Allow the Executive Committee to make a resolution to be voted on at Annual Meeting so the Bylaws state, "in order for a District to be considered in good standing with AISWCD, dues must be paid within 45 days of the invoice date."*

*1<sup>st</sup>: Jerry Snodgrass*

*2<sup>nd</sup>: Van Bitner*

*Carried: All*

**NRCS Contribution Agreement**

Kelly Thompson has been in contact with Angela Biggs from NRCS. Because the amount of the agreement is so large, it must go to national headquarters to get approved. The agreement should be signed and ready to go by June 1, 2015. There will be two webinars for training. Kelly asked for approval from the Executive Committee to post on IL ALL concerning the NRCS trainings and the committee agreed to allow it.

Kelly Thompson will be writing a contract between AISWCD and the SWCDs. The Executive Committee has asked her to seek legal counsel before finalizing the agreement. The plan of work in the agreement will outline duties and tasks that need to be completed.

**NLRS Taskforce Update**

Tom Beyers spoke on the update and feels the group has gotten positive feedback. Groups are wanting SWCDs to attend trainings to develop and build their skills. Kelly gave an overview of her report from a meeting she had at Farm Bureau. She will be applying for an NREC grant to assist with SWCD trainings. She is also trying to build interest and attendance at the Nutrient Loss Reduction Strategy Roadshow events this summer.

Tom Beyers stressed that this is a time for Districts to show unity. Myron Kirby let the group know that they will not be asking Districts to do more work without more funding. They have been talking to Legislators about the revenue stream for Districts.

Matt Hanauer and Kelly Thompson have a meeting May 6, 2015 at IEPA to discuss the proposal from the NLRS taskforce. They will also be discussing funding options for the Districts.

**The meeting was adjourned at 9:32 am.**

*1<sup>st</sup>: Tom Beyers*

*2<sup>nd</sup>: Van Bitner*

*Carried: All*

*Minutes taken and transcribed by : Gina Bean, AISWCD Administrative Coordinator*