NEFAP Executive Committee Meeting Summary July 19, 2012

1. Roll call:

Chair Marlene Moore called the NEFAP Executive Committee meeting to order on Thursday, July 19, 2012 at 1:00pm EST. Attendance is included in Attachment A. There were 12 committee members present.

The meeting minutes for April were reviewed. A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Jan. The motion was approved (Vote: For -11 Against -0 Abstain: 1 - Jack Farrell)

The meeting minutes for May were reviewed. A motion was made by Mike to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Lauren and it was approved (Vote: For -9 Against -0 Abstain: 3 - Jack Farrell, Dan Wren, Jan Wilson).

The meeting minutes for June were reviewed. Mike motioned to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded by Kim. The motion was approved (Vote: For -11 Against -0 Abstain: 1 - Jack Farrell).

2. Update

The website has been updated to include information regarding the preliminary ABs.

Marlene had a conversation with a state that is looking at accepting NEFAP accreditation in addition to their own state program. (Marlene will be talking with several states to determine any progress on the acceptance of NEFAP accreditation by state program offices.)

3. AB Approval

We are waiting for the report from the lead evaluator for the first complete AB evaluation. Jack asked if anyone else can help with the report, but it was determined that it needs to be completed by the lead evaluator due to conflict of interest issues. The lead evaluator would also be most familiar with the evaluation.

Issues were raised in regards to following the Evaluation SOP. The SOP is missing some details that the committee is now discussing. These items are being added to the update, but is it OK to reach agreements on conference calls and proceed as the SOP is being finalized?

One of the ABs is having an issue with an FSMO that needs to have their accreditation announced. It is being held up because the AB recognition process has not been completed. The report from the lead evaluator should have been complete after 30 days, but it is now past due.

EC members on the call would like to have the current version of the Evaluation SOP presented and be given the ability to vote on it.

Marlene suggested some language by e-mail that the AB can use until their final report is complete and they are officially recognized. The AB has followed the SOP. They are not sure they can issue a certificate to the FSMO. The process will be complete with the FSMO within the next 2 weeks.

Kim motioned that preliminary recognized ABs be allowed to accredit FSMOs to the TNI FSMO standard. The following language may be used: AB "NAME" has accredited an FSMO to the TNI FSMO standard. The AB "NAME" is preliminary recognized as a TNI AB. The motion was seconded by Calista.

Discussion:

Approving this motion would be helpful to PJLA.

Jack asked if there will still be an incentive for ABs to complete the process if this motion is approved. It was commented that they do have an incentive because the on-site needs to occur once an FSMO assessment is scheduled.

Vote: 10 - For 2 - Abstain 0 - Against

After the vote it was realized that this is an accreditation matter which must be voted on at the next meeting. A full quorum vote will be taken by e-mail or at the next meeting in Washington DC on August 6th. A motion and second will be requested by e-mail following this meeting.

4. Evaluation SOP

Can we establish the Recognition Subcommittee while the Evaluation SOP is being finalized? There is still some concern that the Recognition Subcommittee is not needed. Marlene re-sent the information and asked the committee how they would like to proceed.

A motion was made by Mike to vote on this SOP for approval at the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Calista.

Discussion: Using the term NACLA will be controversial, so Marlene will be looking for some compromise language.

The motion was unanimously approved.

5. Voting SOP

On June 17, Marlene submitted an edited version of the SOP to the full committee. Comments were received from two members. Kim discussed the comments and no changes were needed to the draft submitted on June 17. Additional comments from Marlene on this version were included and are to be addressed by Ilona.

"ILONA: Section 6.3.7 - We have a procedure for electronic voting on SIR. However Does this really exist?

Also do we need to have this voting procedure in our procedure or is it covered in the SIR procedure??

ILONA: Section 9 - the references seem incomplete and need to ensure these are the correct numbers - Please edit -...'

Ilona commented that there were two changes needed – Initiating a vote should be removed from the General voting procedures and NEFAP does not use the electronic SIR voting process. It is managed through the normal meetings and this has been working.

Ilona will make the changes and distribute Version 7 of the SOP. She will also redistribute the DRAFT SIR SOP. These will be discussed and prepared for finalization in Washington, DC.

6. Action Items

See Attachment C for comments and updates.

7. New Business

Agenda for DC:

FSMO accreditation by preliminarily recognized AB
Voting SOP Vote
SIR SOP Vote
Evaluation SOP Vote
Recognition Subcommittee members needed
Slate proposed to date
Action items
New Business/Comments
Status of acceptance of the NEFAP program
Advocacy

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the NEFAP Executive Committee will be in Washington, DC at the Environmental Measurement Symposium on August 6, 2012.

Action Items are included in Attachment C and Attachment D includes a listing of reminders.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 pm EST. (Motion: Kim Second: Seb Unanimously approved.)

Attachment A

Participants TNI NEFAP Executive Committee

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Absent					
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Present					
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Present					
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Present					
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Present					
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Members		Balance			
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Attachment B

Advocacy Summary – DRAFT

		Type of			
Event	Organization	Presentation	Accepted	Event Dates	Who
2009 Midwest	Midwest				
Groundwater	Groundwater			October 15th,	
Conference	Association	Poster	Yes	2009	Justin
	National				
2010 Groundwater	Groundwater			April 13th,	
Summit	Association	Speaking	Yes	2010	Justin
	Department of			April 15th,	
2010 EMDQ	Defense	Speaking	Yes	2010	Justin
26th Annual					
International					Declined -
Conference on Soils,					(no one to
Sediments, Water, and	AEHS Foundation,			October 18-	set up
Energy	Inc.	Poster	Yes	21, 2010	poster)
20th Annual Quality	Environmental			October 20th,	
Assurance Conference	Protection Agency	Speaking	Yes	2010	Jo Ann
	Pacific Northwest				
2010 PNCWA Annual	Clean Water			October 26th,	Keith
Conference	Association	Speaking	Yes	2010	Chapman
2010 Northwest					
Environmental				December 6-	Scott C
Conference	NWEC	Speaking	Yes	7, 2010	Hoatson
Stationary Source					
Sampling and Analysis					
for Air Pollutants XXXV				March 20th -	
Conference	SSAAP	Speaking	Yes	25th, 2011	Scott
	Midwest Water			January 28th,	
2011 Winter Expo	Analysts Association	Speaking	Yes	2011	Justin
Battelle for the					
International					
Conference on					
Remediation of					
Contaminated				February 7-	Poster Set
Sediments	Battelle	Poster	Yes	10, 2011	up
	American Water			March 21st -	
2011 WATERCON	Works Association	Speaking	Yes	24th, 2011	Justin
				March 28th -	
	Department of			April 1st,	
2011 EMDQ	Defense	Speaking	Submitted	2011	Justin
2011 ASQ Energy and					Randy
Environment	ASQ	Speaking	Yes		Querry

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2011 Annual EPA			•		
Quality Assurance					
Conference					
Conference (Austin,	Environmental				
TX)	Protection Agency	Speaking	Yes	10/18/2011	Jo Ann
	Midwest				
	Environmental				
	Laboratory				
2011 MELSS	Stakeholders	Speaking	Yes	12/2-8/11	Justin
	Environmental				
	Regulatory and				
	Compliance				
2012 ERCC	Conference	Speaking	Yes		Calista
2012 On-Site Testing	Environmental			January 23rd-	Lauren
Conference	Protection Agency	Speaking	Yes	25th, 2012	Hendrick
	Department of				
2012 EMDQ	Defense	Speaking	Submitted	Mar-12	Justin
2012 Source					
Evaluation Society -	Stack Testing				
Annual Conference,	Accreditation Society				Maggie
Austin Tx	(STAC)	Speaking	Yes	7-Mar-12	Cangro
2012 TCEQ	_				
Environmental Trade	Texas Commission				
Fair and Conference	for Environmental				Mike
(Austin, TX)	Quality (TCEQ)	Speaking	Yes	1-May-12	Shepard
2012 Annual EPA					
Quality Assurance					
Conference	Facinanasatal				
Conference (Austin,	Environmental	Coooling	Vac	40/45/2044	la Ann
TX) 2012 Annual EPA	Protection Agency	Speaking	Yes	10/15/2011	Jo Ann
Quality Assurance Conference					Unsure
Conference (Austin,	PIANC USA/COPRI				(Jboyd
TX)	ASCE	Speaking	Submitted	10/22-25/12	submitted
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Attachment C Action Items – NEFAP Executive Committee

			Expected	Actual
	Action Item	Who	Completion	Completion
27	Forward FSMO names to Ilona.	Justin	12/31/11	Still need this information. New date.
39	Give Alternate name to Ilona.	All	9/30/10	Ongoing
44	Start FAQs for Application.	Calista	12/31/11 4/5/12	Take a look at inconsistencies in responses in application. Calista will be resending her email request. Calista has now gotten a list of questions from Marlene.
63	Consider need to formally adopt Vol 3 and Vol 4 – PT Provider and PTPA standards.	All	Review at next meeting on 4/5/12. (Need to understand if we need to adopt this standard. Is the policy we previously wrote essentially an adoption.)	PT Policy was not approved by Policy Committee. FAC needs to determine if it is a TIA or an update in the standard.
81	Prepare NEFAP Timeline	Doug L.	May 2012	
88	Review Attachment B and get comments to JoAnn Boyd and Justin.	All	3-15-12	Needs update from Justin.
89	Prepare a form to capture EC member conflicts of interest.	Marlene	3-15-12	Form sent April 5 th . Needs comment and

			Expected	Actual
	Action Item	Who	Completion	Completion
			P 11	then finalization.
90	Prepare conflicts of interest and forward to Ilona to prepare a summary.	All Ilona	4-4-12	Complete after #89
91	Form recognition subcommittee June 2012	All	June 2012	
92	Meet to discuss training subcommittee processes.	Marlene Justin	June 2012	
93	Distribute DRAFT voting SOP for comment.	Kim	July 2012	Complete
94	Distribute FSMO checklist.	Ilona	August 2012	
95	Get logo to Ilona if AB wants it posted on TNI website.	ABs	July 2012	Complete
96	Follow-up with state interested in accepting NEFAP accreditation. Present in DC.	Marlene	August 6, 2012	
97	E-mail for full quorum vote to approve language for Preliminary ABs to use in approving FSMOs.	Ilona	July 21, 2012	
98	Send a copy of Voting SOP and SIR SOP to committee members to prepare for vote.	Ilona	July 21, 2012	

Attachment D

Backburner / Reminders – NEFAP Executive Committee

	Item	Meeting	Comments
		Reference	
4	Review Charter.	October	
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