Summary of Advocacy Committee Meeting November 4, 2010

1. Call to order

Judy Duncan called the meeting to order at 12 Noon CDT on November 4, 2010. Attendance is recorded in Attachment 1.

2. Approval of minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve minutes for October 7, 2010. All present voted in favor.

3. Update on Newsletter articles

Zonetta reported that all articles that she had received had been sent to Jerry. The only outstanding articles are those to be written by Lara, Jerry and Ilona. The newsletter is expected to be on schedule.

4. Outreach to Utilities

Zonetta and Paula reported that there was no recent action with contacts in AWWA, WEF and NACWA. Both AWWA and WEF will have meetings this fall and they expect to meet with organization officials after these meetings have given an opportunity to review membership concerns about TNI. Paula also reported that the WEF publication, *Lab Solutions*, had recently published an article about current and possible restrictions to out of state accreditations in Illinois and Florida. She will provide a copy of the article for circulation to the Advocacy Committee.

5. Small Lab Advocate report

Keith reported that SLAG is reviewing the draft Quality Manual Template and will have comments to Ilona by December. SLAG is also reviewing the Small Lab Handbook and will have comments to Gary Dechant by January. SLAG also discussed recommendations for reasonable charges for these documents. Len Shantz is scheduled to do a presentattion the upcoming AWWA Technical Conference. SLAG has 65 members from 17 states and usually has 15-20 represented on each conference call.

6. Other

Lynn asked if TNI had received a response from the recent letter to Mike Shapiro and Judy Duncan reported that TNI has not.

7. Next meeting

The next meeting will be December 2, at 12 Noon CST.

Attachment 1

#	LastName	FirstName	Stakeholder Group	Present	Term
1	Autry	Lara	Other	N	1
2	Coats	Kevin	Other	N	2
6	Bradley	Lynn	Other	Y	1
7	Duncan	Judy	AB	Y	1
8	Jackson	Kenneth	Other	N	2
9	Shields	Aurora	Lab	N	3
10	Wyatt	Susan	AB	Y	1
12	English	Zonetta	Lab	Y	2
13	Perry	Michael	Lab	N	3
14	Hogg	Paula	Lab	Y	1
15	Ward	Gary	Lab	Y	2
16	Wichman	Michael	Lab	N	3
17	Keith	Chapman	Small Lab Advocate	Y	
18	Parr	Jerry	ED	N	
19	Batterton	Carol	PA	N	
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS					
	McCracken	Kirstin	Lab	N	
	Morgan	Judy	Lab	Y	
	Steve	Arms	AB	N	