**Membership/Communications Committee Meeting**

November 13, 2019, 1:00pm

Via Conference Call: 1-800-977-8002 Participant Code: 368009#

**Minutes**

* **Call to Order/Roll Call**

Members Present: Joe Russo, Aviva Gold, Eric Virkler, Renee McFarlin

Members Absent: Duane Pelkey, Dale Rice, James Wright, Leann West, Greg Hart, Brian Gladwin, Marijean Remington, Matt Siver

* **Fall Forum Recap**The event was quite successful and highly rated. Evaluation summary [is linked here](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1n9rl3V49nycHC8DZI9etGVhDYHBdQ1gImojqfnq01no/edit).
* **Annual Meeting**
	+ Topics suggested at the Fall Forum include the following:
		- Recycling Industry; what technology can be used and improved to decrease landfills and make products from recycled materials
		- Workforce (Margaret LaVanchna)
		- Foreign Trade specifics (Rob Aliasso)
		- Infrastructure (Rob Aliasso)
		- Business to business networking (Marijean0
		- Business owners/entrepreneurs (Marijean)
		- Legislative Agenda Creation (Marijean)
		- More Workshops Like Today (Marijean)
		- Local successful entrepreneurs
		- DRI - discussion with those who received it
	+ It is too early to actually choose a topic for the meeting
	+ The date is set as the third Wednesday in June and Aviva will reserve the Mirror Lake Inn for that afternoon.
* **Membership Matters**
	+ Marijean is reviewing a letter drafted by Aviva and Joe to REDC members to send out to encourage membership in the NCA
	+ A couple of new members joined as a result of the Fall Forum topic and meeting; Alcoa and Stebbins Engineering
	+ New committee members have been recruited to help with the membership responsibilities. We had one new committee member on the call and that was Renee McFarlin. Rob Aiken was also recruited by Marijean, but the status of his joining this committee is unknown.
	+ We are working to have lapsed members noted at each meeting, but Matt was not able to make today’s call, so that will be taken up at the next committee meeting attended by Matt Siver.
* **Additional**:
	+ There will be no December meeting.
	+ Next meeting will be January 8 at 1:00pm via conference call
* **Adjournment**: 1:20pm