ITEM I: CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President, David Rotschafer, at 6:59 p.m., with the following Executive Committee members present: Tim Snyder, Jay Brady, Gary Schellhorn, Carla Schumacher, Paul Nolan, Steve Moehlmann, Michael Tripp, David Rotschafer, and John Ringlestein. Also present were: Lynn Orphan, WEF Past President, Dale Watson, John Dunn, and Jim Resnick.

ITEM II: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Steve Moehlmann, and seconded by Paul Nolan, to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.

ITEM III: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Paul Nolan, and seconded by Tim Snyder, to approve the minutes of April 4, 2006 as printed. Motion carried.

ITEM IV: OFFICERS’ REPORTS

A. Secretary/Treasurer’s Report

The financial report for the fiscal year 2005 will be presented at the annual business meeting on Thursday. The Secretary/Treasurer distributed balance sheets taken on January 1, 2006, and June 20, 2006. The Association is in great shape financially with assets up approximately $26,000 since the first of the year. To date, the annual meeting has expenses of $1,870 and income of $14,647. Exhibitor registration fees of approximately $17,000 will be added to the annual meeting income this week. It was moved by Jay Brady, and seconded by Paul Nolan, to approve the report of the Secretary/Treasurer. Motion carried.

B. Directors’ Report

Gary Schellhorn summarized his written report on the WEFMAX meeting he attended. Dave Rotschafer and Tim Snyder also attended the WEFMAX meeting in Charleston, South Carolina. Three significant issues were presented and discussed, 1. the makeup and terms of the members of the Board of Directors, 2. the travel requirements for the Executive Board, and 3. the MAs selection of individuals to serve in the House of Delegates. During the individual MA presentations, there were two themes that were repeated by most MAs, involvement in government affairs and the MA’s newsletter. The Executive Committee discussed the value of attending WEFMAX and the representation of WEF at the annual meeting.

The meeting recessed at 7:34 PM and reconvened at 8:22 PM.

C: REGIONAL DIRECTORS
Region 1: Dave Rotschafer reported the region is planning the next meeting, which will be held on the last Wednesday in October in Manchester.

Region 2: Steve Moehlmann reported their April meeting was one of the largest meetings they have had in Region 2. The next meeting will be in October and will focus on water issues. Mark Simms will be the new representative for Region 2.

Region 4: Mike Tripp reported the Water Quality Standards was the big issue at their spring meeting. Planning is in progress for their fall meeting, which will be held in Griswold. The program will focus on alternative technologies to meet the new discharge requirements. Mike is the new representative for Region 4.

Region 6: Jay Brady reported Region 6 had its annual meeting in Washington this spring. The program focused on the liming and disposal of screenings.

ITEM V: DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Federation Director Situation
David Rotschafer presented the background information for discussion. Charlie Stevens, WEF Director, has accepted a position in Rifle, Colorado and has moved there as of April. The question for discussion is whether the Executive Committee feels comfortable with Charlie continuing as WEF Director. The policy manual does not include any requirements for residency for an officer or any method for removal of an officer. After discussion, it was moved by Gary Schellhorn, and seconded by Steve Moehlmann, to have the President ask Charlie Stevens to step down as the WEF Director. Vote: Aye-Steve Moehlmann, Gary Schellhorn. Nay-Tim Snyder, Jay Brady, Carla Schumacher, Paul Nolan and John Ringelestein. Abstain-Mike Tripp and Dave Rotschafer. Motion failed. After further discussion, it was moved by Jay Brady, and seconded by Carla Schumacher, to refer the matter to the Aims and Objectives Committee to provide language pertaining to the requirements for the WEF Director position, a position description and a procedure for removal of a Director. A friendly amendment was made by Gary Schellhorn and accepted by Jay Brady to include all officers in the motion. Motion passed with Gary Schellhorn voting nay.

B. Support for incoming WEF President’s reception
A request to participate in the reception of Mohammed Dahab, the incoming WEF President, was received from the Nebraska Water Environment Association. After discussion, it was moved by Gary Schellhorn, and seconded by Tim Snyder, to donate $1,000 to the reception for Mohammed Dahab. Motion carried.

C. Newsletter’s Future
Gary Schellhorn and Jay Brady reviewed the previous discussions on contract publishing and electronic bulletins, etc. The Newsletter Committee does not feel it is the responsibility of the committee to determine the future of the newsletter. Their responsibility is to produce the newsletter. After further discussion, Dave Rotschafer announced he would appoint an ad hoc committee to review and propose recommendations for the newsletter’s future and which he will chair.

D. WEF Training for new officers
Lynn Orphan reported the training session typically held in April at WEF headquarters for new officers is being eliminated. Costs for the session were increasing dramatically and presented financial problems for MAs. The training will now be done at WEFMAX meetings.
E. QUAP Update
A report on the update of the draft report presented by Mary Skopec at the April meeting will be anticipated for the August meeting.

F. Teleconferencing for committee of Board meetings
Discussion after the last Executive Committee meeting did not show interest in this proposal. Action was taken during the last meeting to formulate a procedure for an electronic process for responding to urgent matters that could not wait for a Board meeting.

G. Strategic Planning Process
Dave Rotschafer reported there was very little progress on this issue.

H. Other Items
Jay Brady presented a proposal from Ed Askew for the Association to sponsor training sessions on the Watershed Academy and an industrial pretreatment workshop. The proposal is exploratory at this time. The workshops would be presented by WEF and/or EPA. A minimum of 50 attendees is required for each workshop. The workshops are for 3-5 days and would be held in the early part of 2007. Funding is provided through registration fees. The consensus of the Executive Committee was to confirm the support of the Executive Committee in providing the workshops.

ITEM VI: COMMITTEE REPORTS
Dale Watson, Local Arrangements Chair, reported the plans have been set and we are ready to go. There was some confusion with the exhibitor arrangements and Craig Wilson has the situation well in hand. The Sec./Treas. reported the attendees have reserved in excess of 150 guest rooms in the hotel for the meeting, which has resulted in the waiver of approximately $5,500 of meeting room fees. The Association appreciates all those staying at the hotel!

ITEM VII: ADJOURNMENT
It was moved by Paul Nolan, and seconded by Jay Brady, to adjourn the meeting. President Rotschafer declared the meeting adjourned at 9:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

John W. Ringlestein, Secretary/Treasurer