



Midwest Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste  
Compact Commission

Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, Wisconsin

Paul Schmidt (Wisconsin), Chair  
Michael Snee (Ohio), Vice-Chair  
Jim Chiles, Executive Director

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**MINUTES OF JUNE 11, 2020, ANNUAL MEETING**

1. Proposed minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste Compact Commission (MCC), held by teleconference on Thursday, June 11, 2020, pursuant to notice.
2. The MCC was called to order by Vice Chair Paul Schmidt at 10:00 am CDT, given the pending retirement of Chair Alex Moon. The roll was called and a quorum declared. Present were Commissioners Paul Schmidt, Wisconsin; Michael Snee, Ohio; Alex Moon, Iowa; Tiffany Drake, Alternate for Missouri; Amie Davidson, Iowa; and Executive Director James Chiles, Alternate for Minnesota. Also on the call were Rob Hunt, Missouri, and Susan Hagstrom, Wisconsin.
3. MOTION on Agenda Item #2 (Draft MCC meeting minutes from June 7, 2019): No corrections were offered to the draft. MOTION: That the circulated minutes of the annual meeting of June 7, 2019, be approved (Moon; Snee; carried).
4. DISCUSSION and MOTION on Agenda Item #3 (FY2020 Financial report): Chiles described the columns comparing projected versus actual expenses for the current fiscal year, FY 2020. Low Level Forum membership was the largest item, at \$9,500. The sum of expenses was lower than anticipated, for the following reasons: No legal expenses were incurred, and the Executive Director didn't travel to either LLW Forum meeting because of a conflict with the October 2019 meeting, and the cancellation of the April 2020 meeting due to COVID-19. MOTION: That the FY2020 MCC financial report be approved as circulated (Drake; Snee; carried).
5. DISCUSSION on Agenda Item #4 (Chair's report). Schmidt said he had nothing to report at this time; a discussion on possible plans for filling officer positions can happen under New Business.

6. ELECTION of officers, Agenda Item #5. Schmidt noted that this is necessary due to the retirement of Alex Moon of Iowa. He asked for additional nominations beyond those received by Chiles via email: Schmidt for Chair and Snee for Vice Chair. There were none. He called for a roll call vote on the slate of nominations, effective for a two-year term under the bylaws. The vote was unanimous from the five states attending the meeting (Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin).
7. DISCUSSION on Agenda Item #6 (Executive Director's Report): Chiles reported on activities during FY 2020: providing records to the auditor; preparing the annual report; communicating with the LLW Forum and members. He noted an opportunity to comment on upcoming NRC deliberations on changes in managing low level radioactive waste.
8. DISCUSSION on Agenda Item #7 (Anticipated Expenses for FY 2021): Chiles stated that the fees for legal counsel remains the same at \$350/hour, and noted that Richard Ihrig will retire in a year; the Boulay auditing proposal increased from \$9,740 in FY 2020 to \$10,200 in FY 2021; annual report editing fees remain the same; website fees by the LLW Forum remain the same; and the LLW Forum annual membership for the compact remains the same at \$9,500. Chiles noted that he bought an airline ticket for the March 2020 meeting in Denver; after the Denver event was cancelled due to COVID-19, he cancelled the airline ticket and should be able to apply the purchase price toward travel to a future LLW Forum meeting. He will report that expense in the appropriate fiscal year. Chiles set an expected cost of \$2,700 for travel, but that assumes two LLW Forum meetings are held in FY 2021. Chiles said the LLW Forum hopes to hold its Fall meeting in San Antonio in October 2020 but this is not a certain thing. He said that given the current restructuring and lower expenses of the LLW Forum, he doesn't expect that compacts such as the MCC will be asked to subsidize LLW Forum meetings, as it had in the past.
9. DISCUSSION and MOTION on Agenda Item #8 (FY 2021 proposed budget): As to auditing services, Chiles suggested he entertain bids for auditing services to begin in FY 2022. Due to COVID-19 and difficulties in physical file access, the MCC is continuing to use Boulay through FY 2021. MOTION: That the FY2021 budget be approved, (Snee; Drake; carried)
10. DISCUSSION on Agenda Item #9 (Other Business): Schmidt, Chair, invited a discussion on a suggestion from outgoing member Alex Moon that the states consider rotating officer positions. Also, Schmidt said that

some organizations regularly move vice-chairs into the chair position. The solid-waste organization for government agencies, ASTSWMO, may have a model to emulate. Moon, Iowa, said he would send the ASTSWMO bylaws on this. Also, members suggested that Chiles look at options for video conferencing at the next MCC annual meeting, such as Skype or Zoom.

11. MOTION on Agenda Item #10 (Adjournment): MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned (Chiles; Drake; carried). The MCC adjourned at 10:34 am CDT.

Minutes prepared by James Chiles, Executive Director