

Autonomy Zonal Forum Minutes at WSC 2018
5/2/2018

Present: Central Atlantic (Kim, Dee, Randy), Chesapeake and Potomac (Anthony, Darla), Eastern PA (Merle, Tim), Free State (Craig, Trisha), Greater Philadelphia (Billy, Clarence), Mountaineer (Cooper, Ryan) and 3 interested others

Eastern PA facilitated the meeting. Merle reviewed the agenda, then opened with a moment of silence and the serenity prayer.

Agenda:

Discuss possible 2-day Zonal meeting
Revisit previous inventory/ start new environmental scan
Strategic planning
Nomination discussion

Possible 2-day Zonal meeting

- It is too late for regions who put in their budget for extending the July meeting, but suggested to discuss an event for January
- Create a multi-Zonal event
- We can do meetings through zoom calls
- discussion about our agreement not to vote unless we are face-to-face
- Zoom is face-to-face
- One delegate expressed we could do all of our zonal business via Zoom
- From an interested member: Are we ready to change the structure of our Zone, is this something we would want to do? This body could be a vehicle to be part of that.
- With the new motions passed, level of service is evolving with Zonal representation- where do we want it to go? Do we want to do an environmental scan? Develop an infrastructure, admin, CBDM, how can the Zonal carry the message.
- Discussion regarding getting regional thoughts on a 2-day Zonal meeting was made in January
- A poll was taken, and there was lack of support for a 2-day Zonal meeting

Continued discussion

- It was suggested that rather than do a new inventory we revise the old inventory for continuity
- Suggestion to be able to vote on Zoom
- We have no written policy in reference to these calls in our minutes
- We need to ensure what we discuss is in the minutes so we have a record of our decisions
- Some members would not support a Zone that did not allow transparency
- One region would not support our Zone if it were to be structured
- Some of our Zoom calls are dominated by a few individuals
- Zoom calls would allow us to cover ground in between our Zonal meetings

- It was requested by Free State to hold an event in January
- It was agreed to be able to make decisions on our Zoom calls as long as each region has at least one representative on the call

Sony from EDM spoke to our body about how the EDM functions, and answered questions
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Ad hoc committee was formed to review past minutes and write down any policy which may have been discussed. Trisha, Dee, Darla, Tim volunteered to be part of that group.

May Zoom call agenda:

Discuss possible two-day event in January (Free State)

New business results from WSC

July agenda:

Phone meeting set for May 14 at 7:00 PM