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## STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Standing Advisory Committee  
**FROM:** Lora Rose Richards, Administrator of Conservation & Community Education  
**DATE:** Thursday, March 24, 2011  
**SUBJECT:** **Update on membership**

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On March 16, the TMWA Board of Directors considered a staff report concerning Standing Advisory Committee (SAC) membership (*Attachment #1*). The Board took action to appoint the following new members:

- Mike Heffner – Irrigation alternate
- Pat Martinez – Commercial primary
- Kevin Haddock – Commercial alternate
- Paul Rose – Residential 1 alternate

The new members will be joining the SAC at its April 5 meeting. *Attachment #2* shows the current SAC membership. An updated membership directory will be distributed at the April 5 meeting.



## STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Chairman and Board Members  
**FROM:** Lora Rose Richards, SAC Liaison  
**DATE:** March 7, 2011  
**SUBJECT:** Request for Board selection and appointment of new members for the Standing Advisory Committee

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### **Recommendation**

Staff recommends the Board review applications submitted by local residents and appoint new members to the Standing Advisory Committee (SAC) in order to fill several vacancies.

### **Background**

The SAC was created in 2005 to review budgets, rate proposals and other matters as directed by the Board. The SAC currently consists of Board-appointed representatives of eight customer classes and four other seats held by representatives of community-interest groups (*Attachment 1*).

### **Discussion**

There are currently six vacant Board-appointed seats on the SAC. Staff has been recruiting new SAC members since December. A total of 11 applications were received:

- Irrigation class – 1 vacancy (alternate); 1 applicant
- Commercial class – 2 vacancies (primary and alternate); 2 applicants
- Residential class – 1 vacancy (alternate); 8 applicants
- Multi-family class – 1 vacancy (alternate); no applicants
- Wholesale class – 1 vacancy (alternate); no applicants

The applicants are summarized in the table below and applications submitted are compiled in *Attachment 2*.

Customer Class	Applicant Name	Comments
Irrigation (alternate)	Mike Heffner	Caughlin Ranch HOA Treasurer; metered residential customer
Commercial (primary)	Pat Martinez	Real estate manager for UNR non-campus properties; flat rate residential customer
Commercial (alternate)	Kevin Haddock	Principal with Testwave LLC which provides backflow calibration services. <i>Applied for consideration as either the residential alternate or the commercial alternate.</i>
Customer Class	Applicant Name	Comments

Residential 1 (alternate)	Kevin Haddock	Flat rate residential customer; see above.
Residential 1 (alternate)	George Jostlin	Metered residential customer; experience in government affairs and public relations; serves on a Reno NAB and participates in community organizations.
Residential 1 (alternate)	Jan Ramirez	Metered residential customer; background in geography and computers.
Residential 1 (alternate)	Paul Rose	Metered residential customer; experience as a water utility employee, holds water treatment, distribution and backflow/cross-connection certifications.
Residential 1 (alternate)	Tracy Sherwood	Flat rate residential customer; volunteers with local parent involvement and leadership councils
Residential 1 (alternate)	Jeff Spencer	Metered residential customer; practices construction law in Reno, background in economics and international affairs
Residential 1 (alternate)	Tom Taber	Flat rate residential customer; experience with irrigation, turf management, ecology, government and business; certified irrigation water auditor.
Residential 1 (alternate)	Vicki Teshera	Metered residential customer; experience as a water utility employee, holds water treatment and distribution certifications.

One application was received during the recruitment period from a community member who is not a TMWA customer. That application is not included in this package.

Staff is pleased to have such skilled and diverse applicants express interest in representing customer issues to the TMWA Board as part of the SAC. With only one residential customer vacancy at this time and several interested customers, the Board may take no action, appoint a new member, choose to add additional representatives to the SAC, or consider creating non-voting positions that enable those who have expressed interest to serve.

TMWA Standing Advisory Committee  
Term of Appointments  
as of March 16, 2011

Customer Class	Term Begins	Ends	Appointed Representative	Alternate Representative
Wholesale	1/1/2010	12/31/2011	Fred Schmidt (SVGID)	Vacant
Irrigation	1/1/2011	12/31/2012	Neil McGuire	<b>Mike Heffner</b>
Multi-family	1/1/2010	12/31/2011	Jeannie Redinger	Vacant
Commercial	1/1/2011	12/31/2012	<b>Pat Martinez</b>	<b>Kevin Haddock</b>
Senior Citizen	1/1/2011	12/31/2012	Ernest Buchner	Robert Chambers
Residential:				
Representative 1	1/1/2010	12/31/2011	Ron Turner	<b>Paul Rose</b>
Representative 2	1/1/2011	12/31/2012	Kevin Bloomgren	Harry Culbert
Representative 3	1/1/2011	12/31/2012	Susan Ralphe	Jim Maass
Appointments:				
BANN	1/1/2010	12/31/2011	Colin Hayes	Jim Smith
NNWPC	1/1/2011	12/31/2012	Barry Winzeler	George Ball
Reno-Sparks Chamber	1/1/2010	12/31/2011	Greg Vorreyer	Bruce Gescheider
Consumer Advocates Office	1/1/2010	12/31/2011	Vacant	Vacant