



Fall Update, September 2024

Internal Communications

(Trustee Liaison) Joanie Stultz

Committees

Utility Management Committee (UMC)

Ann Hajnosz, Chair, Harris & Associates; Theresa Jurotich, Secretary, Raftelis

- Continuing monthly meetings (10-14 participants), held the third Thursday of the month (10:00 – 11:00) via Teams, with 1-2 new members attending for the past several meetings.
- Planning underway for a full day track at the 2025 Boise conference.
- Planning upcoming training on “Recruit, Train, Retain in the Water Industry”, scheduled for January 15, 2025 at the Vancouver Water Resources Training Center. Initial draft program developed and planning is underway to confirm speakers and send out training announcement.
- Ann will be transitioning the role of Chair to Joe Miller (Conсор) over the next few months, and will officially turn over the role by the 2025 Conference, and Theresa Jurotich will stay on as Secretary for the next year.

Publications

Jessica Breedan, Water Matters Coordinator, Covington Water District

- Melissa stepped down from her role as publication coordinator in May, and Jessica has taken on the official role.
- Jessica has done an excellent job getting out the calendar announcements, and coordinated the Fall Issue of the Water Matters in August 2024.

Public Information

Tacy Steele, City of Hillsboro & Kristen Zimmer, City of Spokane, Co-Chairs

- Tacy and Kristen are both staying on for another year as Co-chairs, while continuing to focus on recruitment.
- Both Tacy and Kristen will be attending the Fall training, and spreading the word regarding specific recruitment needs for the Committee.
- Planning for the Excellence in Communications Awards for the 2025 Boise Conference.
- Planning is underway for one track of presentations for the 2025 Boise Conference.
- Planning for one virtual training in 2025, topic still to be confirmed.