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Dear Valued Member:



The CRRA Board of Directors learned in September that the Oakland conference did not meet our financial expectations. In October, we determined that the conference did not appear even to meet expenses. Driven by fiscal necessity, work began in November to "reinvent" how the organization operates.

Each Board Director has been involved in the process of reinventing the organization and is focused on management, finance, communication and programs. A set of recommendations was developed and adopted in December, to meet our interim needs. We will be preparing and forwarding a report to the membership shortly, summarizing the recommendations and next steps.

In December, the Board of Directors reduced the management contract with Association Resource Center, ARC, who will continue providing

financial and member services for the organization, and continue with its conference management role. However the CRRA Board of Directors, Technical Council leadership, and Chapter leaders will assume many of ARC's administrative responsibilities.

CRRA will move to a web-based communication model, with enhanced Web site and e-mail capabilities. In the near future, you as a member will have the option of receiving RecycleScene via e-mail, in a PDF format, or in printed form.

The CRRA by-laws are proposed for amendment to allow dues changes by the Board of Directors, without the necessity of presenting those changes at the annual members meeting.

Planning and coordination of the annual statewide conference has been revamped for 2003, with Rick Anthony, Board Director serving as Conference Chair. The Board is

more involved in conference organizing, which will ensure more opportunities for member input. We are ahead of schedule and will be announcing details very soon.

CRRA sponsorship opportunities have been enhanced, and increased involvement by current and future members is anticipated. News about CRRA's sponsors, and details on becoming a sponsor, will be provided shortly. Stay tuned for some exciting new opportunities.

You should be proud of the hours and effort volunteered by each of your CRRA Board Directors. There was never any hesitancy in moving forward decisively together. The changes we are proposing, while borne out of urgency, will take us forward as a stronger voice and advocate for recycling and environmental protection.

John Davis
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President, CRRA Board

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About us

The CRRA is an organization of individuals, recycling centers, and companies pledged to the conservation of natural resources. The Association assists its members with their programs and conducts activities that will promote resource conservation by the people of California.

The Passing of a Friend

Rick Best, recipient of CRRA's 1998 Recycler of the Year Award and a true friend of CRRA and the environmental community, died Dec. 11 at Sutter General Hospital in Sacramento of complications after a car accident. He was 32. Rick has long been a fixture at CRRA's annual conferences and assisted in the



organization of many events, most notably the annual legislative workshops held in the Capital.

Rick's death is a personal loss to all who knew him, but he will remain in our hearts and minds. A tribute to Rick's life can be viewed at www.rickbest.net.

Board Actions & Votes

Board of Directors Meeting • October 29, 2002

In Attendance: Ann Schneider, John Davis, Dave Powers, Grahame Watts, Alec Cooley, Connie Seitz (staff), Lin King, Susan Collins, Rick Anthony, Judi Gregory

Electronic Motion: Schneider/King moved for CRRRA to sign as a co-sponsor of the Single Stream Recycling Workshop on October 28, 2002 in Long Beach during the SWANA conference. Electronic vote: 7 Aye, 1 Nay **Motion Approved.**

Motion/Second: Schneider/Cooley moved to create a one-way listserve to be maintained by staff and used as recommended in Attachment G Recommendation #1. 7 Aye, 1 Abstention **Motion Approved.**

Motion/Second: Schneider/King moved to create the CRRRA two-way listserve on Yahoo and eliminate the UCD listserve. This listserve is to have an opt-out function. **Motion Approved.**

Motion/Second: Schneider/Powers moved to accept the VSE TC charter with the language change in section B.2.a. **Motion Approved.**

Motion/Second: Schneider/Cooley moved to approve the CCRC workshop as presented in Attachment K. **Motion Approved.**

Motion/Second: Gregory/Powers moved to approve a \$1,500 payment from CCQC to Price Consulting. **Motion Approved.**

CRRRA Board Meeting • November 26, 2002

In Attendance: John Davis, Rick Anthony, Lin King, Dave Powers, Ann Schneider, Connie Seitz (staff), Judi Gregory, Susan Collins, Grahame Watts; **Absent:** Alec Cooley,

Motion/Second: Judi Gregory/Grahame Watts moved to bring the following Bylaw change before the membership:

*Article III (last sentence): Membership fees for each class of members shall be set each year by the Board of Directors. ~~at the annual meeting of the members.~~ **Motion approved.** 5 ayes via e-mail. Voting to remain open until Dec. 6, 2002 for additional discussion.*

Full Minutes online: www.crra.com/bodminutes/index.html

Proposed By-Law Amendment

As with all organizations, CRRRA needs to adjust to the needs of its members. For more than 25 years CRRRA has provided a forum for people to express opinions, take opposing positions and encourage diversity. We have never been an organization where we all agree on one issue, other than the importance of reducing waste and increasing recycling.

In the past, the CRRRA has gone through some tough times and we have always survived and managed to continue to provide member services, excellent workshops and a powerful annual conference. This year will be no different.

To stay competitive, the Board is reviewing options and looking at the overall bottom line. One consideration will be to adjust the cost of membership, so that it is more in line with the fees of similar organizations and fully cover the cost of all member services. Should it be determined that rates need to be adjusted, the Board would like the flexibility to make such a change without having to wait until the Annual Board meeting at the conference as currently provided in the bylaws

You have or soon will receive a notice asking you to vote on a bylaws amendment that will give the Board greater ability to make financial adjustments throughout the year, not just at the annual Board meeting.

Times are tough for California and CRRRA, but with your support and involvement we will survive and become an even better organization representing a variety of interests, views and opinions for many more years to come. If you have questions, please call your District/Chapter representative or visit www.crra.com for regular updates.

CRRRA Board of Directors

New & Renewing Sponsors

CRRRA's NEWEST SPONSORS

CRRRA would like to thank it's new & renewing sponsors.

President's Circle Sponsor

- Zero Waste Communities

Platinum Level Sponsor

- The City of Los Angeles

- The Alameda County Waste Management Authority

There's Value in CRRRA Sponsorship

CRRRA sponsorship is a great way to show your commitment. Visit the CRRRA Web site for NEW information on all the valuable benefits of sponsorship. Download information at www.crra.com

**CALL FOR PAPERS, PROGRAMS, AND POLICIES
CALIFORNIA RESOURCE RECOVERY ASSOCIATION
27TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
JULY 20 – 23 ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA
Ontario Convention Center**

**ON THE ROAD TO ZERO WASTE,
CHOOSE TO RECYCLE MORE**

The 2003 CRRA Conference format has been developed to provide a nuts and bolts approach to building consensus on current and proposed statewide programs and policies. The four-day event will include a training certificate, and is designed to expand public awareness and promote the benefits of associating with CRRA and its members. The Conference will galvanize statewide support for development of a comprehensive zero waste resource conservation and recovery policy, including tax reform, public/private sector issues and recycling market development.

Speaking opportunities include workshops on the basics, conference sessions, keynote speakers and plenary spots. Speakers and moderators are required to be current CRRA or NRC members.

The Deadline for papers, programs and policy proposals will be 5 PM February 28, 2003. Details of program topics and an application may be obtained from the CRRA Web site at www.crra.com

Questions or comments should be directed to:
Rick Anthony, CRRA Board Member
(858) 272-2905, or ricanthony@aol.com

NEW Technical Council is forming

CRRA welcomes its new Venues and Special Events Recycling Council (VSE RC). Please contact Leslie Lukacs at 562-426-9544 or llukacs@scsengineers.com if you would like additional information.

Reminder to All Technical Councils

TC Budget and workplans were due on January 20, 2003. If you have not submitted these items, please do so. If you have questions, please contact Ann Schneider @ 650-988-1368

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 21, 2003

Colligate Recycling Workshop
Santa Monica College

It will cover the basics of recycling as well as electronics, food waste, and other topics of interest to colleges and universities. Santa Monica College uses a Vermitech machine for recycling of food waste. This will be a good opportunity to learn more about this process of turning food waste into castings used for fertilizer and insect repellent. Visit the CRRA Web site to register. For more information, contact Madeline Brodie, Santa Monica, 310-434-8726, brodie_madeline@smc.edu.

February 27, 2003

C&D Recycling Ordinance Workshop
How Will SB1374 Affect You?

Construction & Demolition (C&D) Diversion Opportunities
City of San Diego Environmental Services Office,
9601 Ridgehaven Ct, San Diego.

To register, call the CRRA offices at 916-441-2772.

Sponsored by: The Construction & Demolition Technical Council and the City of San Diego Environmental Services Department.

March 3, 4 & 5, 2003

**BioCycle West Coast Conference:
Composting, Organics Recycling
and Bioenergy...**

New Realities. New Opportunities.

Los Angeles, California, LA Airport Marriott.
CRRA MEMBERS SAVE \$95 OFF REGISTRATION.
Call 610-967-4135 or visit www.biocycle.net

March 18, 2003

NCRA's Annual Recycling Update '03:

8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

State Building in San Francisco,
455 Golden Gate Ave.

For more information contact
A.R. Boone at 510-658-0270.

July 20-23, 2003

CRRA Annual Conference
in Ontario, CA; Contract CRRA offices
for more information: 916-441-CRRA

Check out the CRRA Web site for a complete update of environmental events happening around the world at: **www.CRRA.com**



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www.stopwaste.org

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CRRA 2003

July 20-23 ONTARIO, CA

EARLYBIRD REGISTRATION
SAVE 10% by 2/28/03

<u>Conference Registration</u>	<u>Exhibitor Registration</u>
CRRA Member \$360	1-person booth \$875
Non-Member \$460	2-person booth \$975

Registrations must be postmarked by 2/28/03.

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