

Committee Roster
July 2021

ADMINISTRATIVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (AAC)

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| Membership: | Gerald Van Amburg, chair | citizen |
| | Todd Holman | citizen |
| | Kathryn Kelly | soil & water conservation district |
| | Jayne Hager Dee | soil & water conservation district |
| | Andrea Date | metro cities |
| | Rich Sve | county commissioner |
| | Joe Collins | watershed district |
| | Jill Crafton | watershed district |
| | John Jaschke | staff |
| | Rachel Mueller | staff |

Responsibility: *The AAC consists of the Board’s chair and vice-chair and the chairs of the Board’s standing committees. The AAC will make evaluations and recommendations to the Board on various Board issues including ethics; expenses/per diem; bylaws; and legislation and budgets. The AAC will act as the personnel committee for personnel actions relating to the Board’s executive director. The chair may include additional members ad hoc to address special or unique topics or issues.*

Meetings: *The committee will meet at the call of the chair.*

AUDIT & OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (A&O)

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| Membership: | Joe Collins, chair | watershed district |
| | Gerald Van Amburg | citizen |
| | Ted Winter | citizen |
| | Rich Sve | county commissioner |
| | Kathryn Kelly | soil & water conservation district |
| | Mark Zabel | soil & water conservation district |
| | Kelly Kirkpatrick | non-metro city |
| | Angie Becker Kudelka | staff |

Responsibility: *The Committee consists of the Board’s chair, vice-chair, and appointed at-large members. It appraises the effectiveness of the agency’s internal controls and risk assessment and provides an avenue of communication between BWSR’s internal audit function and external auditors, management, and the Board. In addition, the A&O is also responsible for the Performance Review and Assistance Program (PRAP) oversight and receives reports on BWSR and Local Government Unit program evaluations and fiscal compliance matters.*

Meetings: *The Committee will meet at least once during the year or at the call of the chair or a majority of the members.*

BUFFERS, SOILS & DRAINAGE COMMITTEE (BSDC)

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| Membership: | Kathryn Kelly, chair | soil & water conservation district |
| | Rich Sve | county commissioner |
| | Neil Peterson | county commissioner |
| | Ron Staples | county commissioner |
| | Ted Winter | citizen |
| | Gerald Van Amburg | citizen |
| | Kelly Kirkpatrick | non-metro city |
| | LeRoy Ose | watershed district |
| | Jeff Berg | Department of Agriculture |
| | Jason Garms | Department of Natural Resources |
| | Wayne Cords | Pollution Control Agency |
| | Joel Larson | University of Minnesota Extension |
| | Tom Gile | staff |

Responsibility: *The Committee is responsible for reviewing buffer, drainage and soil conservation statutes, rules, policies, guidelines, programs and special projects; and for reviewing plans, operational partnerships, and opportunities to enhance the agency's implementation of programs; and for making the resulting recommendations to the Board.*

Meetings: *The Committee will meet as determined by the Committee chair in consultation with the Board Chair or staff.*

DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE (DRC)

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| Membership: | Rich Sve, chair | county commissioner |
| | Gerald Van Amburg | citizen |
| | Joe Collins | watershed district |
| | Travis Germundson | staff |

Responsibility: *The Committee is responsible for appeals relating to the Wetland Conservation Act decisions of local governments, watershed district rule and permit decision appeals, and, under MS103A.301, determinations of water law and policy. The authority of the DRC is established in statute and assigned to the DRC by the Board. Under current guidelines the DRC hears the appeals and makes recommendations to the Board.*

Per M.S. 103B.101, Subd.10, the committee is appointed by the board chair.

Meetings: *The Committee will meet as needed to process appeals that have been filed with the Board.*

GRANTS PROGRAM AND POLICY COMMITTEE (GP&PC)

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| Membership: | Todd Holman, chair | citizen |
| | Ted Winter | citizen |
| | Kathryn Kelly | soil & water conservation district |
| | Mark Zabel | soil & water conservation district |
| | Andrea Date | metro cities |
| | Neil Peterson | county commissioner |
| | Rich Sve | county commissioner |
| | Jill Crafton | watershed district/ |
| | Kelly Kirkpatrick | non-metro city |
| | Leroy Ose | watershed district |
| | Glenn Skuta | Pollution Control Agency |
| | Jeff Berg | Department of Agriculture |
| | Kevin Bigalke | staff |
| | Marcey Westrick | staff |

Responsibility: *The Committee is responsible for reviewing cost-share, non-point engineering, clean water, natural resources block grants, local water management grants and related grant allocations, policies, and rules and making recommendations to the Board.*

Meetings: *The Committee will meet at least two times a year or as needed to review allocations or policies for base grants, competitive grants and special grants.*

RIM RESERVE COMMITTEE (RRC)

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| Membership: | Jayne Hager Dee, chair | soil & water conservation district |
| | Gerald Van Amburg | citizen |
| | Ted Winter | citizen |
| | Todd Holman | citizen |
| | Kathryn Kelly | soil & water conservation district |
| | Leroy Ose | watershed district |
| | Ron Staples | county commissioner |
| | Steve Robertson | Department of Health |
| | Jeff Berg | Department of Agriculture |
| | Jason Garms | Department of Natural Resources |
| | Sharon Doucette | staff |

Responsibility: *The Committee is responsible for overseeing all aspects of the Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM) Reserve conservation easement program; for reviewing RIM Reserve Program statutes, rules, policies, guidelines, payment rates and projects; and for developing strategic plans, operational partnerships, and opportunities to enhance the agency's conservation easements programs; and for making the resulting recommendations to the Board.*

Meetings: *The Committee will meet as determined by the Committee chair in consultation with the Board Chair or staff.*

WATER MANAGEMENT & STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE (WMSPC)

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| Membership: | Andrea Date, chair | metro cities |
| | Jayne Hager Dee | soil & water conservation district |
| | Kathryn Kelly | soil & water conservation district |
| | Mark Zabel | soil & water conservation district |
| | Joe Collins | watershed district |
| | Eunice Biel | townships |
| | Todd Holman | citizen |
| | Steve Robertson | Department of Health |
| | Joel Larson | University of Minnesota Extension |
| | Glenn Skuta | Pollution Control Agency |
| | Jason Garms | Department of Natural Resources |
| | Jeff Berg | Department of Agriculture |
| | Marcey Westrick | staff |
| | Jenny Gieseke | staff |

Responsibility: *The Committee is responsible for the development of strategic plans for the Board including identification of key outcomes, partnerships and opportunities. The WMSPC is also responsible for the development of program and policy to guide and direct implementation of local water and watershed management plans, including the One Watershed - One Plan program.*

Meetings: *The Committee will meet as determined by the Committee chair in consultation with the Board Chair or staff.*

WETLAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE (WCC)

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| Membership: | Jill Crafton, chair | watershed district |
| | Gerald Van Amburg | citizen |
| | Ted Winter | citizen |
| | Neil Peterson | county commissioner |
| | Ron Staples | county commissioner |
| | Jayne Hager Dee | soil & water conservation district |
| | Eunice Biel | townships |
| | Jason Garms | Department of Natural Resources |
| | Jeff Berg | Department of Agriculture |
| | Les Lemm | staff |

Responsibility: *The Committee is responsible for reviewing Wetland Conservation Act (WCA) and wetland banking rules, policies, guidelines and projects.*

Meetings: *The Committee will meet as determined by the Committee chair in consultation with the Board Chair or staff.*

DRAINAGE WORK GROUP (DWG) LIAISON

Neil Peterson county commissioner
Ron Staples county commissioner
Tom Gile staff

Responsibility: *The Drainage Work Group is responsible for developing recommendations for drainage system management and related water management, including recommendations for updating Minnesota Statutes Chapter 103E Drainage and related provisions.*

Meetings: *The work group will meet as determined by the staff.*

REGIONAL COMMITTEES:

Membership:

Northern

Rich Sve, chair – CC
Neil Peterson – CC
Ron Staples – CC
Gerald Van Amburg – CIT
Todd Holman – CIT
LeRoy Ose – WD
Jeff Berg – MDA
Theresa Ebbenga – DNR
Theresa Haugen – PCA
Ryan Hughes – staff

Southern

Ted Winter, chair – CIT
Kathryn Kelly – SWCD
Jeff Berg – MDA
Kelly Kirkpatrick – NMC
Eunice Biel – TWP
Steve Robertson – MDH
Scott Roemhildt – DNR
Ed Lenz – staff

Central

Joe Collins, chair – WD
Jill Crafton – WD
Jayne Hager Dee – SWCD
Mark Zabel – SWCD
Andrea Date – MC
Joel Larson – UME
Melissa Lewis – PCA
Steve Robertson – MDH
Grant Wilson – DNR
Marcey Westrick – staff

Responsibility: *Each Committee has the responsibility to review county water plans, water management organization plans, watershed district plans, comprehensive wetland plans, and alternatives or amendments to same and to advise the Board on the adequacy of the plans. The Committees also hold hearings and make recommendations to the Board on establishment, dissolution, boundary changes and other specific local government plans and governance matters.*

Meetings: *The Committees will meet as necessary to review local water plans and amendments and hold hearings as ordered by the Board. Staff will coordinate meeting locations and schedules with members.*

CC = county commissioner

CIT = citizen

SWCD = soil and water conservation district

WD = watershed district

UME = University of Minnesota Extension

WMO = watershed management organization (metro)

MC = metro cities

NMC = non-metro cities

TWP = townships

NOTE: *Committee membership and proceedings are included in the Board Bylaws.*