

**ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**June 10, 2015**

**MINUTES (Amended)**

**Members Present**

Matthew Rexing  
\*Kurt Novy  
Brian Sitko  
Robert Vertefeuille  
Barbara Escobar  
\*Michael Dew  
Randy Gottler  
Rick Amalfi  
\*Terri Garcia  
Elizabeth Baker  
Christina Hoppes  
Evelyn Dawson

**Members Absent**

Garry Brussels  
Anupa Jain  
Cynthia Garcia  
Laura McCasland  
Elizabeth Proffitt  
Jim Williams  
Mary Tyer

**Guests Present**

\*Leanne Nieu Kirk  
Kerri Keller  
Gail Adams  
Kim Caggiano  
Skip Harden  
Gary Shipley  
Amy Baker  
\*Mike McGovern  
Heather King  
~~Gary Shipley~~

**SLS Staff**

Steve Baker  
Prabha Acharya  
Imelda Guevara  
Isaac Robert

**ADEQ Staff**

Becky Soter  
Julie Hoskin

\* by phone

## **CALL TO ORDER**

## **WELCOME/INTRODUCTION**

Barbara Escobar called the meeting to order.

Steve Baker welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming. He announced that Frank Martinez is no more with the Laboratory Licensure and has taken a Manager's position with the Texas Commission of Environmental Quality/Air program.

Everyone introduced themselves.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from March 12, 2015 were approved as written.

## **ADEQ UPDATE**

Becky Soter announced that it was her last day with ADEQ and moving to City of Chandler; temporarily Julie might be filling in for Becky.

## **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

### **Comments Provided to Draft MUR 2015:**

Barbara gave an update: the comments were compiled to provide response to Method Update Rule draft document 2015; initial plan to submit the comments through ELAC was dropped due to time restraint that would have necessitated a public notification for a special ELAC meeting; it was decided to send the comments through ALA and MALA instead; good comments were received from both of them; an extension of 30 days were given by EPA for providing comments; general comments were provided on MDL and the specific comments were provided for the methods 624.1 and 625.1; she hasn't heard back from EPA yet; there are lots of comments posted on the EPA website.

**TNI Update:** the Chicago forum is starting on July 13; it is a combined TNI and NEMC; NEMC is more informative and more EPA personnel will be attending; Lem Walker will be presenting on MUR. The training workshops will be held over the weekends.

### **ALA UPDATE:**

There was nothing to report.

### **MALA Update:**

There was nothing to report.

**SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Rules:**

Steve: a meeting was held the day before with ADEQ; the agencies are having a difficult time with the rules being put on moratorium; ADEQ is waiting on the Disinfectant By Product Rule and the primacy; EPA's deadline is March of next year for the Primacy; ADHS must complete the 5 year review by November. Prabha and Isaac have been spending a considerable amount of time on reviewing the methods in case the rule making gets approval; if the newer methods are added to the rules through Director Approval process, the existing older methods that are no longer approved will still be in the rules.

**Training:**

Matt Rexing gave an update: a tentative seminar for the September 9th is being worked on; this room has been reserved; it will be an advanced analytical seminar on the required testing for reuse; Shane Snyder of University of Arizona has agreed to present; it will be an all-day seminar; Shane is with the water reclaim and reuse program; he presents well.

Note: Just as an update, AZ Water/Metrohm Workshop will be presented on Wednesday, Sept. 30, 0800-4:30 in the ADHS Conference Room.

The next SW/GW workshop will be held in Phoenix; the field sampling portion will be held at the City of Phoenix facility; in the future, the workshops will be alternated between Phoenix and Tucson; this workshop offers hands on training of ground water and surface water sampling which is unique, not offered else-where; ADEQ MAP program requires the samplers to take this training; tentative dates for this workshop are 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> weeks of November.

Julie Hoskin walked in: she introduced herself as the staff of Volunteer Remediation Program of ADEQ; she said she wouldn't mind being the temporary Lab Coordinator.

**DMRQA:**

There was nothing to report.

**SET NEXT MEETING DATE & ADJOURNMENT:**

The date for the next meeting was set for September 17, 2015.