



In Attendance: Irma Gorham (Chair), Jeff Du Manoir (Vice Chair), Lisa Baker, Kerron Barnes, Don Bibb, Margaret Brammall, Julie Brewen, Joaquin Cintron Vega, Liz Glenn, Anthony Goodson, Joe Gray, Lloyd Halverson, Michael Lazdowsky, John Mahon, Don May, Jim McGrath, Ann McKenzie, Betsy Morris, Sheldon Packer, Sherry Perkins, Laurie Putscher, Jerome Ryans, Sharon Scudder, and Alan Zais

Liaison: Jenna Hampton

Optional: Interim CEO Mike Gerber and Senior Vice President George Guy

A. WELCOME / ROLL CALL

Irma and Jenna welcomed committee to the call. Jenna took roll call. Interim CEO Mike Gerber spoke about the NAHRO strategic plan and the upcoming Washington Conference. Senior Vice President George Guy also welcomed members to the call.

B. OLD BUSINESS

UN NGO Representatives: Jenna informed the committee that we will only have 3 UN passes this year instead of 5 (with the possible addition of President Wells and Interim CEO Gerber). Irma selected herself, John Mahon, and Elizabeth Glenn to receive passes. Other committee members who are interested in UN events can watch virtual proceedings. Elizabeth Glenn will keep the committee up to date on virtual UN events.

Subcommittee Meetings: Irma asked the subcommittee chairs to schedule a meeting with their subcommittee members before the next IRGE meeting (Friday, Feb. 11th). Jenna will send an email to subcommittee chairs with contact information for their members. Julie Brewen offered to mentor Lisa Baker in her role as the Research Subcommittee Chair.

C. WASHINGTON CONFERENCE

Interim CEO Mike Gerber informed the committee that NAHRO leadership is still determining whether to hold the Washington Conference in person or online. NAHRO will send a membership survey to gauge whether members are comfortable with returning to in-person conferences. The IRGE committee will wait for a final decision before planning any presentations or meetings for the conference.

D. FUTURE PRESENTATIONS

Chair Gorham would like members to present to the full committee every other month. Michael Lazdowsky will be the first member to present in February. Members can share anything they're working on that they believe would be of interest to the IRGE committee. If members are interested in signing up for a presentation, they should contact Jenna (jhampton@nahro.org), Irma (igorham@patersonha.org), or Jeff (jeffdu.manoir@necws.com) to let us know.