

Meeting Minutes
February 15, 2018
Via conference line

CAP members Present: Dan Sowry, Todd Nein, John Pierko, Kara Allison

Absent:, Ty Baker-Baumann, Jeffrey Morris

Non-member participants: Brent Goetz, Glorianna Corman, Ben Stratton, Les Davies

Roll Call: Brent opened the meeting at 10 a.m. followed by introductions and roll call.

Welcome and announcements: Brent started the meeting by welcoming everyone to the first meeting of 2018 and thanking those participating. Brent then gave an overview of the meeting agenda.

SBO Updates:

- Provided an overview of Ohio Air Quality Development Authorities' financing program for anyone new to the CAP. In general financing is through their bank, no sales tax on the air pollution control equipment, closing costs are paid, and then 30% of the cost of the project capped at \$30k is covered.
- For FY 2018 \$325k, has been allocated towards the project cost and \$105k towards closing.
- Each year \$405k is allocated for funding. The money comes from Title V fees that are collected.
- Most of their outreach is through word of mouth from vendors, OCAPP, and other businesses.
- Glorianna & Ben are both hopeful that they can get a newsletter article from Todd that explains the program. Todd indicated that the article is in process and will be provided in the very near future.

Outlook for the 2018 CAP:

- Some of the focus will be on how to leverage the many partnerships to get information out.
- Discussed the new national network/listserv that has been created and the possibility of having an informal call
- Discussed the possibility of having the Director attend the May 17th meeting. There was a lot of interest from members and most indicated that they would be able to attend in person so that there would be a good turnout. Some members asked if they could bring non-members with them. Brent & Dan indicated that this would not be a problem provided the discussions were more CAP focused.

Hello From Small Business Administration Regional Advocate Les Davies

- Les Davies is SBA Regional Advocate for Region V. SBA Region V is identical to USEPA Region V (Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin).
- The Regional Advocates work to help identify regulatory concerns and challenges for small businesses within their region and funnel the concerns/challenges back to Washington D.C. headquarters.
- There was some discussion between Ben and Les regarding funding through the SBA. Les was going to circle back with some of his colleagues in the SBA who worked more closely with the funding and was going to connect Ben with them.
- SBA office of Advocacy works a lot with trade groups and hosts many regulatory roundtables throughout the region.
- Efforts are not just focused on environmental regulation, but all regulations that impact small business.

SBA Updates

- Discussed Ohio's new universal wastes and how they might benefit small businesses.
- Discussed the changes to once in always in and how we are working as an agency to proactively reach businesses that may be able to take advantage of the change.

- Discussed the new air exemptions that OCAPP proposed to DAPC.
- Discussed the new C&DD recycling rules.
- Discussed the textile laundering exemption that is in the rule making process and how that might benefit small businesses.
- The 2018 Compliance Assistance Conference is scheduled for October 23rd and 24th
- The 2018 National SBEAP Conference is scheduled for October 23rd and 24th
- Discussed our efforts with quantifying assistance in terms of \$
- Discussed our publications update initiative and the possibility of some of the publications being presented to the CAP for review.

Agenda & Next Meeting:

Next CAP meeting will be on May 17th and will be an in-person meeting at Ohio EPA. The yearly schedule can be found on [OCAPP's website](#).

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 12 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Brent Goetz, OCAPP Supervisor/CAP Secretariat