

**South Charleston Community Advisory Panel
South Charleston Public Library
March 9, 2009**

Attendees: Cheryl Arace, Dave Brown, Joyce Dabiri, Patrick DiNicola, Henry Graves, Clark Haynes, Dr. Bill Kroesser, Bob Moore, Ken Poling, Jennifer Soule, Chief Jim Wood, Phyllis Wehrmann

Industry Representatives: Glenn Kraynie, Jim White, Bayer MaterialScience Corporation; Scott Johnson, Ken Smith, Clearon; Tyler London, Dow Chemical; Paul DiNicola, Elementis

Facilitator: Mary A. Green, Ann Green Communications, Inc.

Minutes: Mary A. Green

The regular meeting of the South Charleston Area Community Advisory Panel (CAP) was called to order by facilitator Mary Green, beginning at 5:33 p.m., March 9, 2009.

Mary welcomed new member Phyllis Wehrmann and asked everyone present to introduce him- or herself.

Mary reviewed the agenda and handouts. The February meeting minutes were approved as distributed.

Plant Reports

The plant reports were given in order as printed in the handout. **[A copy of the handout is attached to these minutes for those not present.]**

Bayer – Jim White said the site met its milestone of 500,000 man hours worked without a recordable injury. The last injury was July 1, 2007. Glenn Kraynie talked about the site's business and said business is slow. The employment number remains the same as in February.

Clearon – Ken Smith said the company had one recordable injury, which is noted in the report. There have been no environmental issues. Scott Johnson said business is okay because the site produces pool products. There has been no change in employment numbers.

Dow – Tyler London shared the report with the group. The company experienced several environmental, health and safety incidents in February. Each is outlined in the report. He said business is starting to see a demand for products. There have been no employment changes since February. Tyler also announced that Dow will be purchasing Rohm and Hass.

Elementis – Paul DiNicola said the facility there were no environmental, health and safety issues during February. The company is moving toward starting its wastewater treatment facility. Testing of the process will begin in the coming days. There have been no changes in the site's employment numbers; however, there has been a decrease in business.

Each company presented an overview of their operations and the products they produce in the Kanawha Valley.

Metro Government

The committee has been working with WOWK to produce the DVD. Mary said the Legislature is considering a bill that will change the law. As a result, the DVD will need to be revised.

Speakers Bureau

Mary reminded the panel to look for opportunities to present to the local community.

Web Site Review

The web site is live. Members and the public may access it at www.communityadvisorypanel.org/scwvcap. Mary said the site also can be found by doing a search in the name of the panel. Dr. Bill Kroesser said pages from the site cannot be printed. This will be looked into. Mary thanked Ken Smith for identifying that the Bylaws on the site do not mention Clearon. That set will be replaced. These changes will be made in the coming days.

Panel Planning

Mary reviewed the topics in which members seemed to have the most interest. Those include:

- Emergency preparedness/shelter in place/emergency notification – 27 votes total
- WV Department of Environmental Protection presentation – 7

- Industry's environmental efforts – 6
- Industry's product stewardship – 6
- Economic impact of industry/company changes and impact on community – 15 total
- Recycling efforts available to area – 7
- Facility tours – 7

To prepare for the April meeting, the panel talked about its interests related to emergency preparedness, sheltering and notification. These questions and comments were identified and included:

- How notification works and is structured and the timing
- Incident notification legislation
- How to shelter in place
- How communication is handled within a facility?
- External communication and response
- Who is in charge of an incident?
- Who makes decision to shelter in place?
- What's the media's role?
- Kanawha Putnam Emergency Planning Committee (KPEPC) and its role
- Has there been a study regarding emergency preparedness in the Valley?
- Metro 911 and its role
- Why aren't response notifications enforced, such as sheltering?
- Who orders public response measures, such as shelter in place?
- History of shelter in place in the Valley
- Is there opportunity with metro government to work with emergency preparedness?
- Has there been a meeting of all stakeholders, including media?
- How is the media involved in the process?

As a result, the panel agreed Chief Jim Wood will coordinate the discussion. Mary will work with him to prepare for the meeting. Chief Wood said the discussion should probably include the KPEPC, Metro and the county.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Next Meeting: Monday, April 13, 2009
South Charleston Public Library
5:00 p.m. - Dinner
5:30 p.m. - Meeting