

Annual Report

Update from Your Executive Director



This has been a great year with Washington State Recycling Association. I am thrilled to have joined as your executive director in July 2015. I continue to be in awe of the great work happening throughout our membership as we work together towards the reduction of waste in our state.



I want to thank the WSRA Board of Directors for all their hard work this year. The hours that they put in on leading committees, planning educational events, and helping shape the future of our association have made a tremendous difference. We are sad to be losing two board members, Chris Piercy and Angela Wallis, when their terms end next month. I want to thank them for their passion and hard work as well as their sense of humor that carried us through many meetings!

I also want to thank all of our committee members. With two staff members, there is no way that WSRA could do all that we do without the hundreds of volunteer hours that this group has shared with WSRA. From planning WRED events, to recruiting and awarding scholarships, our committee members do so much to ensure the association's success. If you aren't already on a WSRA committee, please consider joining one this coming year.



Finally, I want to thank Anne Piacentino for all that she does for WSRA. I am so grateful to have her as a co-worker and continue to be amazed with all she does for this association. Thank you, Anne P.

If you have ideas, suggestions, or questions about WSRA, please feel free to reach out to either Anne P or me at any time. We are here to serve this association and want to continue to build upon the great work that has been done in the past. Thank you, WSRA, for another amazing year.

Warmest wishes -
Anne Baunach

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2015-16 Fiscal Year



In July 2015, WSRA welcomed five new board members.

- Jack Bradbury (All Battery Sales & Service)
- Pete DuBois (Clark County)
- Abby Hart (Republic Services)
- Margot Keany (Republic Services)
- Kevin Kelly (Recology CleanScapes)

Three returning members were also elected to the board:

- Candy Castellanos (Department of Ecology)
- Troy Lautenbach (Lautenbach Industries)
- Jeff West (New Day Recycling)

The board met monthly throughout the year to provide strategic direction, manage organizational finances, and coordinate the various elements of WSRA.

WSRA accomplishes much of its work through the association's committee structure. The following are highlights of each of the committees' work since the beginning of our fiscal year (July 1, 2015)

Development

Chairs: Candy Castellanos & Angela Wallis

- Planned and distributed a member satisfaction survey
- Began planning for a social marketing workshop (scheduled for October 2016)
- Developed lists of potential new members for WSRA

Education

Chair: Candy Castellanos

- Updated the Student Guest scholarship processes for 2016 conference
- Awarded scholarships to ten college Student Guests for 2016 Conference



Member Connections (formerly Networking & Fun)

Chairs: Jack Bradbury & Toni Fuller

- Refocused the work of the committee and changed the name to be more reflective of the committee's work
- Created an onboarding process to reach out to and welcome new WSRA members and first time attendees at events. Reached out to new members and new attendees of WSRA events
- Planned First Time Attendee orientation activity for 2016 conference

Member Programs and Services

Chairs: Jack Bradbury & Candy Castellanos

- Planned and executed three successful 2015 WRED events (LightRecycle Washington Goes Live; Public & Private Partnerships in Skagit County; and Hospital Heroes and Handling Hazardous & Dangerous Waste)
- Worked on planning four 2016 WRED events (The Big Stuff: Carpet & Mattress Recycling; Prime Recycling: All About Convenience & Cardboard with Amazon; Stadium Composting and Food Waste Practices with Green Sports Alliance; and Generation Next with Seattle University)
- Developed an event planning guide for the committee to make planning and executing WRED events as seamless as possible.

Policy & Advocacy

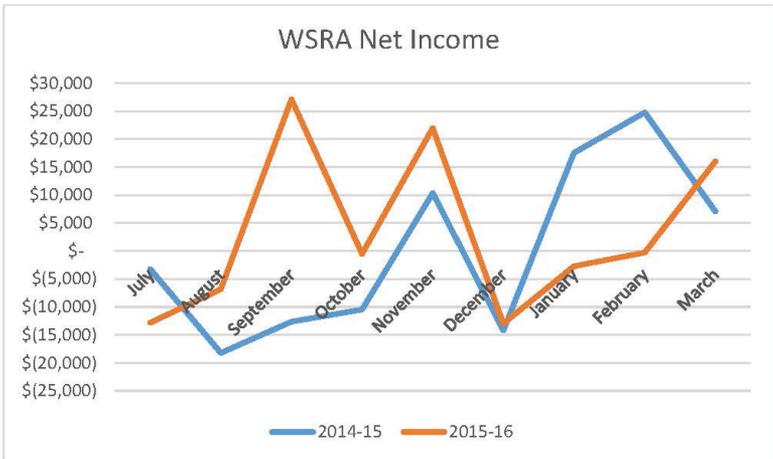
Chairs: Kevin Kelly, Troy Lautenbach & Lisa Sepanski

- Worked on behalf of Paint Stewardship (HB1571/SB5926) and against Beverage Containers (HB1525) legislation
- Held its first Policy & Advocacy Kick-Off event focused on Paint Stewardship and the state of Coordinated Prevention Grants (CPG) in October 2015.
- Began planning for a WSRA hosted legislator tour of an area MRF (planned for July 2016)

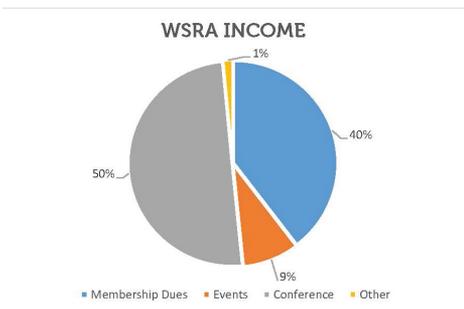




WSRA has experienced strong revenue during this fiscal year (July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016). Revenue to date this fiscal year has totaled \$204,839. At the same time, the WSRA board made some strategic investments in staff and office equipment this year which has resulted in higher expenses than the same time frame during the last two years. To date this fiscal year, total expenses equal \$175,879. To date, net income for WSRA is \$28,960 which is \$27,974 ahead of the same time last year.



Sources of Income



Expense Areas

