Call to Order: 10:00 a.m. by President Dr. John Freeland

Roll Call: President Freeland asked Secretary Dan Kesselring to do the roll call. Dan reported that there were 7 officers present on site, 2 officers attending remotely, 4 members who are not officers present on site and 2 members who are not officers attending remotely. Since 9 officers and 6 members who are not officers were attending on site or remotely, Dan stated that a quorum was present according to the Bylaws. Those Chapter Officers and members attending were as follows:

**Officers Attending On Site:** Dr. John Freeland, President; Dr. Tim Harrigan, President-elect; Katie Droscha, Vice President; Dan Kesselring, Secretary; Dan Busby, At-large Director; Dr. Zachary Curtis, Region 2 Director; Dr. Gerald Miller, Region 3 Director.

**Officers Attending Remotely:** Dr. Hugh Brown, Past President, and Rebecca Bender, Region 1 Director.

**Members who are not Officers attending On Site:** Shelby Burlew, Elaine Brown, Steven Schaub and Dr. Jon Bartholic.

**Members who are not Officers attending Remotely:** Sarah Ehinger and Dr. Zouheir Massri.

Agenda: President Freeland asked if there were any additions or corrections to the agenda as presented. Hearing none, President Freeland declared the agenda approved.

10/29/18 Annual Meeting Minutes: President Freeland asked if there were any corrections to the minutes from the 2018 Annual Meeting. Gerald Miller moved that the minutes be approved. Tim Harrigan supported the motion. Motion passed by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: Kelly Goward, Treasurer, who was not able to be present, had provided and explained 2 documents for her Treasurer's Report by email. The 2 documents were printed for on-site distribution and posted on the Chapter website for remote viewing. The documents were: a 2019 *Monthly Budget Statement* covering January through September, and a *Statement for all Accounts* as of September 30th. Dan Kesselring briefly commented on the Treasurer's Reports for Kelly Goward. Moved by Tim Harrigan and supported by Katie Droscha to approve the Treasurer's Reports. Motion passed by voice vote. A year-end Treasurer's Report will be provided to all Chapter members after December 31st.

Committee Reports:

**Membership and Outreach:** Rebecca Bender provided a printed report for members on-site, and the report was also available on the Chapter website. Rebecca discussed the status of
membership and a membership survey that had been distributed to members previously. About 20 members have completed the survey so far. Dan Kesselring will send the survey link to members again.

**Professional Development:** Committee Chair Gerald Miller provided a printed report covering Committee activities since the last Annual Meeting; the Field Trip planned for later today, Monday; the Technical Sessions planned for Tuesday afternoon; and the preliminary plans being developed for the ANR Seminar to be held on March 4, 2020, at the AgroLiquid Conference facility in St. Johns.

**Scholarship:** Zachary Curtis provided a printed report on the status of the Michigan Scholarships in Conservation Program 2019-2020 Academic Year Scholarship availability. An announcement has been sent to Academic institution contacts, and the web page has recorded over 200 searches so far.

**Awards Program:** Dan Kesselring announced the Chapter Awards Program and directed anyone interested to our website miglswcs.org. Dan also reported on his attendance at the 74th International SWCS Conference in Pittsburgh to represent the Chapter and receive the Society awards presented to the Michigan Chapter.

**Outgoing President's Report:** John Freeland provided a printed outgoing report, and discussed some of the details in the report.

**Election Results:** Twenty-five ballots were cast; Katie Droscha was re-elected Vice President; Rebecca Bender was re-elected Region 1 Director; Dr. Gerald Miller was reelected Region 3 Director; and Dr. Glenn O'Neil was elected President elect.

John Freeland, retiring Chapter President, then called on Tim Harrigan, incoming Chapter President, for his comments for year 2020.

**Discussion:** Elaine Brown Bartholic commented on the difficulty in getting a quorum for the Annual Meeting and asked if there might be a possibility for changing the date, time or venue for the Annual Meeting, possibly to coincide with the spring Seminar. Dan Kesselring commented that other times of the year might be possible, but that we probably should seek input from the Chapter membership. [Note: following the meeting Dan Kesselring researched the Chapter Bylaws and sent an email to the attendees showing that the Bylaws required the Annual Meeting to be held within the last three months of the Calendar Year.]

Then Tim Harrigan adjourned the meeting at 10:29 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel F. Kesselring, Secretary