Members:
(X: In attendance, P: on phone)

X Jesse Altum
X Amy Beatie
   Barbara Biggs
   Peter Binney
   Rob Buirgy
X Hope Dalton
   John Echohawk
X Elizabeth Gardener
X Valerie Gates
   Barbara Green
   Dr. Sandra Haynes
   Paul Hindman
X Gregory Hobbs
   James Kircher
   Eric Kuhn
   Paul Lander
X Dan Luecke
   Dr. Barbara Moskal
   Adams Price
X Nicole Seltzer
   Reagan Waskom
X Kenneth Wright
X Nathan Yudnich
X Jamie Akens

Guests:

X Steve Galpern
X Molly Weller-Thompson
X Jocelyn Hittle

OWOW Center:

X Tom Cech
X Nona Shipman
X Ale Brown
I. Welcome & Introductions
   a. Jamie Akens was voted as the new Student Ambassador by the WASSUP Club.

II. Internships
   a. Molly Weller Thompson attended the meeting to provide a brief overview on establishing internships through the Applied Learning Center at MSU Denver. Molly and her group manage all of the paperwork and timesheets to take some pressure off of intern supervisors. If anyone is looking for a spring/summer intern, the best time to post an availability is February or March but many students are looking for internship opportunities all year round. Approximately 25% of internships result a job offer. Students most often seek positions related to fieldwork, land use planning, and GIS. Molly said she rarely received negative feedback from internship supervisors and that many have expressed a liking for MSU Denver students because they are traditionally older, more determined, and committed to the opportunity.

   b. Molly Weller Thompson, Internship Coordinator, 303-556-3290, mweller3@msudenver.edu, www.msudenver.edu/appliedlearningcenter

III. OWOW Center Update
   a. Recent & Upcoming Events. The OWOW Center has a lot of exciting new events coming up such as the Clean River Design Challenge on April 30 in partnership with the Greenway Foundation, the annual Denver Metro Water Festival on May 17, the Denver Chalk Art Festival on June 4 & 5, and the “Shed ‘16” Watershed Summit on June 9 in partnership with the City of Boulder, Denver Water, the Denver Botanic Gardens, CWCB, and the Center for Re-Source Conservation.

   b. Denver Botanic Garden Partnership. The OWOW Center has entered an official partnership with the Denver Botanic Gardens to create experiential learning opportunities for students through the development of internships, courses, and workshops. The partnership was kick started at the March 8 Art & Science of Water event.

   c. Financial Progress. The OWOW Center has been considered a center of value at MSU Denver and additional funding from the university is being strongly recommended by necessary parties.

IV. Nomination & Development Committee
   a. Council Member Duties & Expectations. The committee met and developed a “Duties & Expectations” list for future potential Council members. This list is intended to be used as a benchmark for future members but current members can choose to hold themselves to these standards as well. Many people have expressed an interest in joining the Advisory Council and this document will be an important filter. Several Council
members suggested edits and additions to the document as well as some concerns in regards to the philanthropic focus and the addition of a signature line. The list of Duties & Expectations will be edited, re-examined by Nomination & Development Committee members, and presented to the Advisory Council at a later date.

Hope Dalton suggested that each Committee should incorporate an expert from the field including non-Advisory Council people. Nicole Seltzer agreed and added that it would be a good way to invite new people to get involved with the Advisory Council without joining the Council. Amy Beatie expressed that this is a great idea to bring back to the Nomination and & Development Committee to discuss further. A summer meeting will be set up to discuss the idea of including non-Advisory Council members on Committees.

b. Reappointment of Council Members. Jesse Altum, Amy Beatie, Peter Binney, Rob Buirgy, Paul Hindman, and Paul Lander were up for reappointment to another 3-year term. Nicole Seltzer moved to reappoint all members, second by Dan Luecke. Council approved.

c. Chair and Vice-Chair Positions. There are no term limits for Chair or Vice-Chair positions and they are voted on annually. Voting can be conducted via email and includes majority rules of those present. Paul Lander and Jesse Altum expressed an interest in filling the Vice-Chair position. Dan Luecke requested that Jesse and Paul submit an email to Tom stating why they would be good for the position. It was agreed that these would be distributed to the Advisory Council and the Vice-Chair position would be voted on via email at a later date. The Nominating Committee recommended Liz Gardener for the position of Chair for another 1-year term. Amy Beatie moved to accept the Nominating Committees recommendation, Dan Luecke second. Council approved.

V. Survey Distribution
   a. The Survey Committee previously created a comprehensive list of questions to be distributed to MSU Denver Water Studies students to capture opinions on water studies classes, faculty, and the OWOW Center. The survey is currently open and receiving responses. A report of the responses will be created and presented at the next Advisory Council meeting.

VI. Update on the CSU Water Center at the National Western Complex
   a. Jocelyn Hittle joined the meeting to provide a brief update on the development and construction of the CSU Water Center at the National Western Complex. It is a 10-year project that is planning to begin infrastructure work in 2017-2018. RTD has begun work on a light rail stop at the new complex. The goal of the National Western Complex is to provide resources to partners, local organizations, and the neighboring communities including meetings space, riverfront, and tools. There are also plans to host academic courses and there will
be more specifics on courses and classroom space in about a year. Please visit the National Western Complex for more details, [http://nwc.colostate.edu](http://nwc.colostate.edu)

VII. Next Meeting
   a. Nona will send out a Doodle Poll with dates in September for the next Advisory Council meeting.