



## KAMM 2020 Virtual Conference

# Awards and Grant Meeting Minutes

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### Participants:

- 1) Ben Conley
- 2) Angela Herndon
- 3) Zach Dettlinger
- 4) Katelyn Henry
- 5) Cindy Minter
- 6) Pam Moore
- 7) Esther White
- 8) Geni Jo Brawner
- 9) Mario Sebastiani

### 2020 Summary:

- Scholarships:
  - 5 conference scholarships were offered
- Awards:
  - Joe Sullivan won the Mitigation Manager of the Year
    - Ben ordered a Louisville Slugger for Joe as a gift/plaque
- Grants:
  - \$780 for cleanup of a 5-mile reach of the Licking River in Falmouth
  - \$850 for reflective barricades and signage to be utilized for storm events in Perryville
  - We expect to donate KAMM's National Weather Service education flood model
  - Anthony Young of Perryville and Mike Moore of Pendleton County showcased their grant projects very well at the conference through their presentations and our grant program was nicely promoted
  - Advertise and open 2021 grant applications on November 30, 2020 (before the KAMM Winter Retreat which is 12/3 and 12/4).



- Auction and Raffle:
  - The conference's silent auction raised \$1,285
  - A total of \$1,700 was raised for the grant program
  - Our committee will take on the auction every year in addition to scholarships, awards, and grants
  - A few people donated specifically to our grant program during the conference
- Vision/Goals/Improvements for Next Year:
  - Mitigation Manager and Project of the Year:
    - Continually advertise the awards
    - In addition to evaluating nominations based on the existing scoring rubrics, the committee will conduct interviews with the nominators
    - Showcase all award nominees in some capacity at the conference
  - Grants:
    - Continually advertise the grant program
    - Allow full presentations for the grant winners to showcase their projects at the conference (at least 30-minute time slots)
  - Scholarships:
    - Continually advertise the scholarship program for the conference
  - Fundraising:
    - Give people the opportunity to donate to KAMM all the time
      - Use the barcode on KAMM email blasts
      - Keep the donation page available on KAMM's website all year
    - Continue to think of fundraising ideas
  - 14 additional people expressed interest in joining our committee at the pre-conference committee meeting. We will create sub-committees (each with a leader) since our numbers are growing to keep everything organized and everyone involved. Suggested sub-committees:
    - Grants
    - Awards
    - Fundraising
    - Scholarships
    - Outreach