1. In attendance: See attached spreadsheet for 2020 attendees.
2. An overall history of the R&R Committee was reviewed.
   1. The committee was Barry Irving and Darrin Sherrit’s idea at the 2016 SRM Sacramento meeting. Several gaps in reclamation success knowledge for rangelands existed. A large number of wells were being reclaimed each year in Alberta, and Barry thought SRM could fill a role in passing on that knowledge.
   2. The initial meeting was held at the 2017 St. George meeting.
3. R&R symposia were held in 2018, 2019 and 2020.
   1. The format of the 2019 and 2020 presentations consisted of interdisciplinary teams, i.e., practitioner and a researcher.
   2. The 2020 symposium will be Wednesday at 10AM with three pairs of speakers.
   3. A related Campfire fireside chat will be held on Tuesday. Six 20-minute discussions regarding management on public lands will be presented.
4. The website as a source of historical and current information was discussed. The link is:
   1. <https://rangelands.org/committees/restoration-and-reclamation-committee/>
5. The 2019 R&R business meeting minutes were reviewed.
   1. Jeff Fehmi moved to accept as written and John Hendrickson seconded. Minutes approved.
6. The vision statement of the current Rangeland Reclamation and Restoration Committee Handbook (May 31, 2018) was discussed.
   1. After much discussion, it was revised to better reflect the reclamation and restoration aspect of this committee on rangeland health.
   2. The new vision statement is:
      1. A community of experts improving rangeland function worldwide through reclamation and restoration.
   3. Other revisions were also discussed. Since the handbook is a “living document”, other changes are possible.
      1. Reclamation comes before restoration in the Committee title and in other headings, based on alphabetical position.
      2. The SRM diversity statement weblink will be added to the handbook.
7. As part of the discussion above, the three mission statements were reviewed.
   1. For the sake of time, additional changes to these statements (especially A and B) will be handled post-meeting by email.
8. New leadership positions for 2020 were discussed.
   1. Brenda Schladweiler was elected co-chair in 2019 and will be the new chair in 2020.
   2. Daryle Bennett expressed interest in the open co-chair position prior to the meeting. Additional interest in that position (and the Tech Liaison position) at the meeting came from Austin Kelly and Sean DiStefano. There was some discussion on creating a Young Professional Liaison /Student Liaison position in the Committee Handbook. The Tech Liaison position is two years according to the Handbook (Sean has served one as of Feb 2020). Additional positions such as Secretary were also discussed. In the interest of time, additional dialogue on creating and filling these positions will occur post-meeting.
9. 2019 Goals from last year’s report to the SRM Board were reviewed:
   1. Symposium at 2020 AM. Idea is to maintain the same structure of scientist-practitioner paired talks, with a geographic focus on the Denver area. We will invite the Riparian Committee to invite a speaker, per Barry Irving’s idea/request to interact with that committee (also due to natural synergies between the two committees).
      1. STATUS – Wednesday’s symposium achieved this – Researchers and Practitioners Integrating Knowledge to Restore and Reclaim Rangelands and Riparian Areas. This symposium was developed in conjunction with the SRM Riparian and Watershed Committee. The local Colorado Chapter of the Society for Wetland Scientists was contacted.
   2. Synthesis paper from 2019 symposium led by Austin Kelly of Texas A&M, target = Rangelands
      1. STATUS – Moved to 2020. Austin will lead this effort for the 2020 symposium.
   3. Work with Steve Hale to get the word out about the committee and SRM’s expertise to Reclamation trade associations. Possibly share powerpoints from 2019 symposium, new webinars, and/or factsheets.
      1. STATUS – (added from Steve Hale after the meeting) *The only thing I can add is education to our West Slope Colorado Oil and Gas Association.  During our monthly operator task force meetings, I’ve kept them apprised of SRM and the Reclamation expertise available.*
   4. Create google doc where members can add conference names and dates – centralized repository of this information. Post of rangelands.org website.
      1. STATUS – Not completed, but initiated at 2020 AM by Randi Lupardus of University of Alberta
   5. Promote the second multiple stop field trip in Denver 2020 AM.
      1. STATUS – Tour to the Rocky Mountain Arsenal Wildlife Refuge on both Sunday, February 16 and Thursday, February 20 to view mitigation of the former chemical weapons depot. It is unknown how many R&R members did this tour.
   6. Engage with AM 2020 planning committee, via co-chair Brenda, to invite state agencies responsible for and influencing R&R to the 2020 AM (state engineers, water, etc)
      1. STATUS – Not completed
   7. Organize a competitive registration fee scholarship for graduate students to attend AM 2020. Members will disseminate information to graduate schools.
      1. STATUS – Not completed
   8. Fund two speakers to R&R symposium that otherwise would not have been able to make it
      1. Nancy Shackelford, newly hired professor
      2. Sam Lossing, Nevada rancher who works in tandem with Tanzem Stringham
10. 2020 goals
    1. Reach out rangeland technician and enhancement (through RTEC) – Nancy Shackelford will follow up.
    2. Expand mailing list
       1. Ongoing
       2. Need to determine which attendees are SRM members
       3. List to be mailed with meeting minutes to update member information
    3. Symposium ideas
       1. Theme will be Impacts and Solutions to Multiple Use in the Context of Reclamation and Restoration. (Jeff Fehmi put forth the idea at the annual meeting, others supported it)
       2. Canadian and ND current presentations for other meetings can be considered
          1. Canadian Land Reclamation Association
          2. ND Reclamation Conference in Dickinson, ND
    4. Position paper was discussed.
       1. Alternative might be a panel discussion on how to determine reclamation success. Important to Arizona.
       2. Some concern was posed from committee members that deal in a regulatory environment that indicated their ability to participate in a position paper could be severely limited.
       3. Is that topic too broad?
          1. Success varies based on where you are at and given time frames.
    5. Fund two speakers who would not otherwise be able to attend SRM
    6. Position paper from 2019. See above.
    7. Google sheet where members can add:
       1. Conference names and dates
       2. Job openings
       3. Pertinent literature and new research
       4. Note: this was initiated at AM 2020 by Randi Lupardus of University of Alberta