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New England Water Works Association 2025 Scholarship Committee Report

Committee Mission: Will solicit and review applications and award scholarships. Awards will be based on merit, character, and need to members and student members. Preference will be given to candidates in programs related to water works practice – advise on rules and fund investment.

Accomplishments/Activities and New Initiatives During the Past Year (Sept. 2024-August 2025):

- A rule change was enacted in order to grant all student scholarship applicants a free on-year NEWWA student membership.
- Implemented a new web based application site (Open Water) to facilitate student applications and simplify committee reviews
- Offered a new scholarship, the Maud L. Malley Professional Work for Water Training Scholarship, intended to award a member, operator-in-training, or certified operator \$2,000 for continuing education.

Plans for 2026:

- Continue to improve upon the new web based application process to make it easier for both students and committee members.
- Recruit two new members to sit on the committee to replace those whose terms are expiring.

Other Committee Related Efforts/Notes: This year was highly successful in terms of numbers of scholarship applicants, receiving forty-one (41) in total. The committee awarded \$29,500 in scholarship funds to thirteen (13) students.

Succession Planning - Incoming Leaders & Anticipated Appointment Date: TBD

Committee Member Roster:

Jeremy Bouvier
Victoria Hawkes
Anna Hayden
Renee Lanza
James Malley
Jeffrey Zdrojewski

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jeremy Bouvier'.

Jeremy Bouvier