



DATE: April 8, 2013

TO: ORAFS Executive Committee

FROM: Garth Wyatt, Secretary/Treasurer

Present: Garth Wyatt, Shivonne Nesbit, Jeff Yanke, Michele Weaver, Colleen Fagan, Kat, Todd Buchholz, Bill Brignon, Mike Gauvin, Sue Marshall

SUBJECT: Minutes for ORAFS Executive Committee Meeting, April 11, 2013 from 1500-1700

Conference Call Information: 1-877-581-9247 participant code 290657

1500 ITEM 1: Review

1. Introductions, life, and work updates
2. Review Agenda
3. Action Items from March meeting
 - a. Update Neil and Dave on 2015 Portland resolution – Jeff-Done
 - b. Facebook and twitter badges to website – Jeff-Done
 - c. Contact Dave Buchanan re: Klamath Letter – Jeff-Done
 - d. Book spring retreat venue – Jeff-Done
 - e. Submit COY application – Colleen-Done
 - f. Submit nomination for excellence in public outreach – Colleen-Done
 - g. Doodle poll for OSU library trip – Michele-Spring Retreat
 - h. Contact Native Fish Society re: HB 2022 – Jeff-Done
 - i. Finalize RFP for Education/Outreach Committee awards – Shivonne-Done
4. Approve March minutes
 - a. Todd motioned to approve the minutes, Garth seconded, Colleen abstained. The motion was approved. Garth will post the minutes.

1510 ITEM 2: President's Report

1. WDAFS Update
 - a. Jeff and Colleen will be attending the upcoming WDAFS meeting in Boise. Jeff will also represent the chapter at the business meeting, and will provide a chapter update to the Western Division executive committee.
2. Parent Society Update
 - a. No Update at this time
3. Old Business

- a. Spring retreat planning-The venue is booked. Everyone will arrive Friday night, and the meeting will run all day Saturday and Sunday morning.
 - Agenda items
 - 1. Jeff will send out a draft agenda. Focusing on topics related to 2013 annual meeting recap and 2014 meeting planning. Legislative issues will be on the agenda as well as budget/work plan topics.
 - Logistics and meals
 - 1. Jeff will cover dinner on Friday night, Garth will do breakfast on Saturday, Shivonne will do Saturday lunch, Colleen will cover Saturday dinner, and Sunday breakfast in undetermined.
 - b. Klamath Letter to new Secretary of Interior
 - Dave Buchanan and Jeremiah Osborne-Gowey are drafting a new cover letter in support of the Klamath River Basin Agreements with updated scientific information. When drafted, ExCom will review and send (with original letter) to the new secretary of the interior.
 - c. STEP conference
 - Michele gave a recap of the STEP conference. It was an interesting mix of people and content. Bill Bradbury was the keynote speaker. Michele gave away the last of the stream continuum posters. She sold one t-shirt and two sweatshirts.
 - Michele stated that we should continue to support the meeting, but was unsure that staffing a booth in the future was beneficial for the chapter.
 - Todd was going to look into reprinting the stream continuum posters. At the annual meeting, the Education/Outreach committee suggested printing a modern variation of this product. Karen had the idea of having an artist design a habitat restoration continuum poster. Todd will call Karen to pursue this idea for the chapter.
4. New Business
- a. No new business

1530 ITEM 3: ExCom Reports

- 1. Past-President
 - a. Check the damn box 2013
 - i. Colleen will send out an email to all AFS members who are Oregon residents to check the box to become chapter members.
 - b. New webmaster
 - i. Kara found someone (Mike Meeuwig) that will take over as webmaster on May 1st.
 - c. Spring Piscatorial Press – get your submissions in!
 - i. Get your submissions into Allison ASAP
 - d. Handbook
 - i. If you have any edits please get them to Colleen.
- 2. President-Elect
 - a. Annual Meeting follow up

1. We will recap the results at the spring retreat and compare will 2012 data.
 - ii. Fisheries Article / Tributary
 1. Todd is working on an article for the parent society (fisheries) and Western Division newsletter (the tributary). Todd will provide review drafts soon.
 - iii. Business meeting minutes
 1. While the annual meeting is fresh in memory, please edit the 2013 annual business meeting notes appropriately. Jeff worked on the draft to conform to the format used in the program, Michele added additional improvements.
 - b. 2013-14 Work plan and budget
 - i. Todd is working on them both for review at the spring retreat.
 - c. Nominations form on website
 - i. Todd will work with the new webmaster to provide an online nomination form for next year's cycle.
3. Vice President
 - a. Bill thanked everyone for the opportunity to participate in ExCom.
4. Internal Director
 - a. Archiving project
 - i. Michele suggested ExCom address this topic at the spring retreat.
 - b. Social Media Chair
 - i. Michele reported that Demian Ebert volunteered to be the inaugural social media chair for the chapter.
5. Secretary-Treasurer
 - i. Business Checking-2/28/2013-\$ 143,345.60
 - 24 Debits in March totaling \$61,895.36
 - Check 1157-\$390.00-Ten Barrel Brewing
 - Check 1165-\$474.36-Neil Ward Wine reimbursement
 - Check 1166-\$120.00-Michele Weaver
 - Check 1167-\$774.00-Nic Zymonas framing reimbursement
 - Check 1169-\$350.00-Bari Sorenson reimbursement
 - Check 1170-\$14.69-Mike Gauvin poker supplies
 - Check 1171-\$1,300.00-Moon Mountain Ramblers payment
 - Check 1172-\$150.00-Chris Hartman annual meeting refund
 - Check 1173-\$150.00-Auctioneer payment
 - Check 1174-\$27.99-Colleen Fagan Am supplies reimbursement
 - Check 1175-\$200.00-Student Chapter Merchandise reimbursement.
 - Check 1176-\$43.00-FWGSA merchandise reimbursement.
 - Check 1177-\$136.68-Bill Brignon mileage reimbursement
 - Check 1178-\$550.00-Jeff Perin fly-fishing workshop
 - Check 1179-\$500.00-AFS Little Rock AM sponsorship

- Check 1180-\$39,865.55-River House AM venue costs.
- Check 1182-\$854.59-Amy Unthank reimbursement
- Check 1183-\$2,650.00-Heather Stanley annual meeting program costs.
- Check 1184-\$5000.00-Bill Brignon Carl Bond Scholarship
- Check 1185-\$2,000.00-Bill Brignon PhD Scholarship
- Check 1186-2,000.00-Amy Jo Lindsley MS Scholarship
- Check 1187-\$2,000.00-Jordan Massie BS Scholarship
- Check 1188-\$2,000.00-Alison Stringer BS Scholarship
- Electronic payment-\$344.50-Credit Card Machine rental fee.

- 1 Credit in March totaling \$ 8,311.25
 - 3/13/2013-\$8,311.25-123signup March 2013 payment.
- Business Checking-3/29/2013-\$ 89,761.49
- Western Division-3/29/2013-\$\$11,618.37
- Money Market-2/28/2013-\$100,118.61
 - Interest accrued in March-\$5.57
 - Interest accrued since inception-\$118.61

6. Student Representative

a. Student Subunit Update

- i. Kat provided an update of student subunit activities.

b. Student sub-unit position paper

- i. Position papers drafted by the student subunit do not necessarily need to be approved by the Oregon Chapter as long as it is stipulated that the position is the opinion of the student subunit.

7. External Director

a. Legislative Liaison update

ii. Bill Tracking

1. Sue gave us an update on bills that she is currently tracking.
2. Sue said that some bills that have been focused on one topic have shifted to another. She explained that a number of bills are in the second chamber.
3. House bill 3441 regarding the Oregon Hatchery Research Center had a work session today and adopted an amendment to include a representative for OSU/ODFW/ and an unspecified federal agency, none of whom will have voting rights.
 - a. They want the focus of the research center to determine the effects of hatchery/wild interaction.
4. House Bill 839 Water Supply bill, inspired by the Oasis Bill, to identify how water can be taken out of the Columbia. The stakeholders are favorable to the bill. A reexamination of the Willamette BiOp could yield extra water looking at in-stream and out of stream water uses for use in the Willamette Valley.
5. Suction Dredge-The cover letter and white paper went out to the committee members on Monday. The hearing will be from 3 to 6. There

will be two panels comprised of 3 people. We have met with 3 out of the 6 committee members.

- a. Legislators seem to be predisposed one way or the other on the moratorium.
- b. Sue was going to have a point/counter point session between the miner's scientists and ORAFS. ORAFS representatives had left the building by then.
- c. On Monday both sides of the issue will get their 3 minutes of testimony.
- d. Sue agreed that there is potential for ExCom representatives getting trapped at the meeting. Sue said she would clearly indicate that we are neither for nor against. Jeff asked if it would adversely affect our credibility if Sue gave testimony.
- e. Jeff suggested, in the absence of ExCom members qualified to speak on the topic, we let Sue represent the Chapter at the hearing due to member scheduling conflict citing our group as neutral.

c. White Paper Development

i. Suction Dredge

1. Shivonne solicited the group for someone to represent the Chapter at the hearing for suction dredge mining.
2. Jeff indicated that we have been requested to appear at the hearing but expressed some concern on whether or not we could get an informed representative to the meeting in the time frame provided.
3. Jeff thought that the risk of providing representation outside of the authors of the white paper outweighed the benefits.

ii. Hatcheries

1. Some legislators are very interested in seeing the hatchery/wild interaction white paper. Colleen will follow up with Ryan and the Fish Culture committee on the status of this paper.

d. Natural Production Committee - Native Fish Society

- i. The committee has responded back regarding the definition of a watershed and is curious where this is going. Jeff will follow up with the native fish society after receiving a response from the committee.

e. Freshwater Habitat - Lower Columbia Critical Habitat

- i. Do we have the time and interest in editing and pushing this paper through. The decision was made that we cannot get the review or a vote in time.

f. Education/Outreach Committee

i. Education program small grant

1. The dead line is May 15th. Colleen is going to clean up the website. The grants are going to be turned into Karen and ranked for funding.

ii. Education materials small grant

1700 ITEM 5: Upcoming ORAFS meetings

1. The next conference call was canceled due to the spring retreat.