

DATE: March 13th, 2014

TO: ORAFS Executive Committee

FROM: Tony Siniscal, Secretary/Treasurer



SUBJECT: Minutes from ORAFS Executive Committee Meeting, March 13th, 2014 from 1500-1600

Conference Call Information: Phone: 712-732-0180 Participant Code: 401355 #

ExCom Present: President – Todd Buchholz, President Elect – Mike Gauvin (for part of the meeting), Secretary/Treasurer – Tony Siniscal, External Director – Holly Huchko, Student Representative - Andrew Futerman, Guest (Incoming President Elect) – Troy Brandt.

1500 ITEM 1: Review

1. Introductions, life, and work updates.
2. Review Agenda - Several ExCom members were not present and a quorum was not met. Approval of the January meeting minutes was tabled until the next conference call.

1510 ITEM 2: President's Report

1. WDAFS Update
 - a. Registration is open for the WDAFS Annual Meeting in Mazatlan. Todd and Andrew will be attending the conference.
2. Old Business
 - a. Stream Continuum Poster
 - i. \$1,500 was budgeted for 2013-2014 to come up with a poster to be distributed to grade schools outlining a "Habitat Continuum Poster".
 - ii. The Education Committee is asking for clarification of the deadline for the poster. **Action Item:** Benchmarks and a deadline will be determined at the spring retreat.
3. New Business
 - a. Reminder – The incoming ExCom should not be included on all ORAFS emails until their term starts. Emails inviting them to monthly conference calls are appropriate.

- b. Spring Retreat – Plans and the agenda are in development for the spring retreat. The house has been reserved and a deposit has been paid.
- c. Five Year Strategic Plan - A draft is in progress. ExCom members should be prepared to edit and make comments on the draft.
- d. Current Chapter membership – We are working on getting hard numbers of current members. The reports are not very clear. ORAFS is also continuing the “check the damn box” campaign.

1545 ITEM 3: ExCom updates

1. Past-President – Jeff Yanke – Not Present. Updates sent via email.
 - a. Five-year strategic plan: Jeff will begin work on the plan with the assistance of Michele. Most elements in the current strategic plan should be rolled over into the 2014-2019 as they are basic operational goals. Jeff will be relying on ExCom review for new items and changes. **Action Item:** ExCom will need to review the draft. The plan will be considered for approval at the spring retreat.
 - b. Chapter handbook updates: There aren't any large changes needed; Jeff will conduct a thorough review and make some suggestions based. **Action Item:** ExCom should review the draft handbook and be prepared to consider approval by the spring retreat.
 - c. Check the damn box: Once Jeff receives an updated chapter membership list he will contact Oregon residents that are not members and encourage them to “check the damn box”.
2. President Elect – Mike Gauvin – Present for part of the conference call.
 - a. Meeting Refund – Mike will follow up on a request for a refund of an annual meeting registration fee from a member that could not attend due to special circumstances. Mike will bring this up to the ExCom at the next conference call when more members are present.
3. External Director – Holly Huchko
 - a. Annual Meeting Feedback – The majority of the comments taken from the meeting indicated that the membership would like the chapter to remain active and even increase our involvement in fisheries related issues.
 - b. Fish Culture Committee – Doug Olson is working on a new Hatchery vs. Wild White Paper for the upcoming legislative season. Doug has asked for guidance on what the legislature needs to know. We hope to have a draft prepared for the September 2014 committee meeting.
 - c. Hatchery vs. Wild publication – Several scientists have expressed a desire to refute some of the findings of a journal publication and have

asked if ORAFS would like to be involved. ExCom members present felt that we should not get involved in this debate. **Action Item:** Holly will decline this request.

- d. New Committee Chairs – We are looking for new chairs for several committees. Holly is actively pursuing candidates.
- e. Committee Workshops – Several committee chairs have expressed interest in holding workshops this coming fiscal year as we will not be holding a chapter meeting.

4. Secretary/Treasurer – Tony Siniscal

a. Accounts Update

i. Business Checking-

January	12/31/2013 – \$85,309.11
	1 Credits \$85.00
	6 Debits \$2,442.65
	01/31/2014 – \$82,951.46
February	01/31/2014 – \$82,951.46
	8 Credits \$50,795.70
	16 Debits \$3,640.69
	02/28/2014 – \$130,106.47

ii. Money Market-

January	12/31/14 \$100,159.40
	Interest accrued in January - \$4.25
	Interest since inception - \$163.65
	01/31/14 \$100,163.65
February	01/31/14 \$100,163.65
	Interest accrued in February - \$3.84
	Interest since inception - \$167.49
	02/28/14 \$100,167.49

b. Annual Meeting Recap

i. Attendance

1. General Registration	329
2. One Day Registrations	31
3. Workshops	53
4. Vendors	10
5. Spawning Run	44

ii. Revenue

1. Registrations/Vendors/Sponsors	\$70,155
2. Raffle/T-Shirt/Auction	\$11,949
3. Texas Hold'em	\$475
4. Total	\$82,579

iii. Expenditures

1. Hilton	\$44,831
2. Auction Items/Framing	\$1,800
3. Imbibements	\$1,322
4. Apparel/SWAG	\$2,385
5. Supplies	\$250
6. Honorarium	\$1,000
7. Plaques/Awards	\$1,396
8. Meeting Program	\$2,650
9. Total	\$55,634

5. Student Subunit Representative – Andrew Futerman

- a. Mentorship Program – We have many students signed up for the mentorship program but very few mentors. Andrew is going to send out another request for mentors. Andrew will use the list of mentors from the Annual Meeting as a start. We will consider sending out a request to the list serve in the future.
- b. Student Subunit Elections – Elections will be held at the beginning of April and Andrew hopes that the new Student Subunit officers will be in place and able to meet the ExCom at the spring retreat.

1600 ITEM 5: Upcoming ORAFS meetings

1. ExCom calls every 2nd Thursday 1500-1700 hours
2. Next call – scheduled for April 10th, 2014.