



**DATE:** February 13, 2013

**TO:** ORAFS Executive Committee

**FROM:** Garth Wyatt, Secretary/Treasurer

**SUBJECT:** Agenda for ORAFS Executive Committee Meeting, February 14, 2013  
from 1500-1700

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

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1500 ITEM 1: Review

1. Introductions, life, and work updates
2. Review Agenda
3. Action Items from January meeting
  - a. Post December minutes – Garth - Done
  - b. Forward anadromous workshop survey info to Jens – Jeff -  
Forwarded to Jens, survey is on-line.
  - c. Website calendar – Provide more timeline info for the calendar – Colleen / Kara -  
Done, and ongoing Colleen
  - d. Order Printer – Colleen
    - i. Delivered and in Colleen's possession
    - ii. Will need a private computer to sync with the printer, security is too tight on  
agency and company laptops
  - e. Awards deadline with engraver – Colleen – Awards were ordered and  
Bill has them in his possession
  - f. Credit Card machine for annual meeting – Garth - Done
4. Approve January minutes
  - a. Colleen moved, Bill seconded, no discussion. Unanimous vote to approve the  
January minutes.  
Garth to post January minutes

1510 ITEM 2: President's Report

1. WDAFS Update
  - a) Annual meeting sponsorship
    - Sponsored \$500, Received by the Idaho Chapter
  - b) Mid-year report to Parent Society
    - The mid-year report was compiled by Jeff and sent to WDAFS (President Swanson) after review by ExCcom

2. Parent Society Update
  - a) Membership list
    - Jeff downloaded the membership list from Parent Society, and passed to Colleen to complete the check-the-damn-box campaign. The list does not reflect the chapter's lifetime members, Colleen will review after the Annual meeting
    - Jeff will report Oregon Chapter member numbers at the annual business meeting
  - b) Science communication survey
    - Jeff received a survey from Parent Society on the use of social media within chapters. From the questions, it appeared that the Oregon Chapter is on the forefront of social media tools and use in the Society.
3. Old Business -

No old business
4. New Business
  - a) Mid-year work plan update
    - In preparation for the annual business meeting, Jeff asked ExCom for a list of accomplishments everyone thought should be highlighted at the annual business meeting. Colleen recommended reporting on the scholarships awarded, the run forecasting workshop, sponsorships of other meetings, the new website, and our new social media policy.
  - b) Work plan home stretch
    - Tabled until after the annual meeting
  - c) Spring retreat early planning
    - Schedule the spring retreat ASAP. Hood River was thrown out as a suggested location. Early to mid-May. Jeff will poll availability after the annual meeting.
  - d) STEP conference support
    - Michele motioned to sponsor the STEP conference at the \$250 rate, Todd seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.
    - Jeff also recommended mailing our sponsorship to the 2013 Parent Society meeting in Little Rock, Arkansas, at the \$500 level. **Action Item: Garth will send a check in the amount of \$500.00.**

### 1530 ITEM 3: ExCom Reports

1. Past-President
  - a. Website
    - i. Kara is retiring from the website maintenance position. Colleen is still working with her to integrate some additional changes.
    - ii. Colleen will be meeting with Kara in Bend to discuss the transition to a new webmaster and new webmaster recruiting.
  - b. Email accounts
    - i. Michele mentioned that her email wasn't linked to her position email address.

- ii. She recommended that everybody log into their email accounts to ensure the e-mail address is listed correctly and linked to our work e-mail accounts.
  - c. Chapter of the Year application
    - i. Colleen emailed Dave Ward about the application deadline. The application is due March 15<sup>th</sup>. Colleen indicated there was some confusion on whether the President or President-Elect should be drafting the application. Last year, Colleen was told it was the President's responsibility, although the Handbook indicates it is the Past President's. Colleen and Jeff will both draft the application, and send out to ExCom for review and editing.
  - d. Awards
    - i. Two nominations were received for the Fishery Worker of the Year award. One nominee had received the award 20 years earlier. Colleen reported that there was some debate among the three nomination reviewers about whether the fishery worker of the year award could be awarded to the same individual more than once. Therefore, Colleen expanded the review committee to 10 members and asked for everyone's input on whether they thought the award was a "Lifetime Achievement Award" and also asked for reviewers to ignore the fact that one of the two nominees had previously received the award. All reviewers agreed that both nominees were extremely qualified, but the majority of the reviewers selected the nomination for the previous winner. Reviewers were split on whether the award was a "Lifetime Achievement Award". Multiple reviewers recommended that the chapter create a new "Lifetime Achievement Award". In response Colleen, as Committee Chair, ordered an award of merit and a lifetime achievement award for the previous winner and awarded the Fishery Worker of the Year award to the other nominee. Colleen asked ExCom which award they thought should be given the previous winner. ExCom decided to think this through and to make a decision on which award to present next week at the annual meeting. **Follow Up:** ExCom decided to create a new "Lifetime Achievement Award" and award the first one at the annual meeting. At ExCom's spring retreat, they will develop criteria for the award.

## 2. President-Elect

- a. Annual Meeting planning update – followed this meeting

## 3. Vice President

- a. RAFWE is occurring on Friday. No other updates other than annual meeting planning.

## 4. Internal Director

- a. The chapter historian, Don Ratliff, has been in conversation with OSU about archiving the chapter's documents.
- b. The signs and banners have been acquired.
- c. According to our social media policy, the chapter will explore additional social media platforms to use. The question of a LinkedIn group was discussed. LinkedIn is different from a Facebook

page and seems to be more focused on professional networking. **Action item: Michele will follow up with Jeremiah and Demian about getting a Linked In page.**

6. Secretary-Treasurer

a. Recent income and expenses

o **Business Checking-12/31/2012-\$93,524.21**

- Ten Debits in December totaling \$2,662.54
  - Check 1142-\$33.94-Jeff Yanke reimbursement for supplies for sponsorship solicitations.
  - Check 1143-\$108.71-Eric Martin reimbursement for Beaver Rod building supplies.
  - Check 1144-\$999.80-Sue Marshall Nov-Dec Invoice payment
  - Check 1145-\$114.68-Brook Silver student awards plaques reimbursement
  - Check 1148-\$483.97-Colleen Fagan printer reimbursement
  - Check 1149-\$130.00-Bob Lees-banner deposit
  - Electronic payment-\$50.00 State of Oregon business registry fee
  - Electronic payment-\$99.99 Fishing reel for Beaver rod
  - Electronic payment-\$542.25-Bob Lees-Banner costs
- 2 Credits in January totaling \$ 5,371.20
  - 1/17/2013-\$4,646.20-123signup November 2012 payment, USFS Annual meeting sponsorship check, and Plum Creek sponsorship check.
  - 1/23/2013-\$750.00-Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs employees annual meeting registration dues.

o **Business Checking-1/31/2013-\$ 96,232.87**

o Western Division-1/31/2013-\$11,344.58

o Money Market-1/31/2013-\$101,107.66

- Interest accrued in January-\$5.95
- Interest accrued since inception-\$107.66

b. Investment Committee Update – no update

7. Student Representative – no update

8. External Director

a. Legislative Liaison update

- i. List of bills - Sue provided a Tracked Bill List by priority (1-3). Sue indicated Priority 1 bills are bills ExCom may want to weigh in on with a white paper. Priority 2 bills are bills to watch that we may need to be active on. Priority 3 bills are bills to watch.

1. Priority 1 bills:

- a. HB 2022 – Modifies definition of native fish for purposes of salmon and trout enhancement program.
- b. HB 2530 – Prohibits importation of genetically engineered fish into Oregon. Last year the chapter weighed in using the Parent

Society's paper on transgenic fishes. We received a request from a legislator for a white paper on genetically modified organisms (GMO). We discussed whether or not Oregon AFS actually had the expertise to weigh in on this bill and to develop a white paper. Colleen is chairing the Fish Culture committee in Bend and will ask for input on drafting a white paper on GMOs, including identification of experts to solicit input from.

- c. SB 115 – Prohibits placer mining using any form of motorized equipment or motorized dredge.
- b. White Paper Development-
  - i. Hatcheries – Colleen, Ryan Couture, and David Noakes are working on revising the chapter's current white paper on managing wild and hatchery fish in Oregon. Colleen will also solicit input from committee meeting attendees in Bend
  - ii. Suction Dredge- – Ian Reid joined the meeting to discuss development of this white paper. The paper will aim to outline the relative risks to fish production related to suction dredge mining. Ian indicated 5 committee members have stepped up and will draft a two page white paper for ExCom review. .
  - iii. Wave Energy - No update
- c. Legislative Liaison participation in monthly calls – ExCom would like Sue to join the monthly calls for a brief update, when she is available.
- d. Education/Outreach scholarship
  - i. No update until annual meeting.
- e. Conservation Leaders Meeting – Demian Ebert attended the January 29, 2013 Conservation Leaders Meeting. Shivonne will distribute Demian's notes from the meeting to ExCom.

1700 ITEM 5: Upcoming ORAFS meetings

1. Annual meeting next week
2. Next call scheduled for March 14<sup>th</sup> at 1500