



**American Fisheries Society**

**Oregon Chapter**

Thursday February 9, 2023 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

**Call to Order/Additional Agenda Items/Establish a quorum (4 officers including a president) (3:00) - Chris Hirsch**

**Approval of Minutes (3:05) - Sarah Sapienza (Alex motion, Gary second - passed)**

**Main topics of conversation**

- Volunteer to take notes
- 2022 business meeting notes - website updates (From Tony in last year's business meeting notes)
- WDAFS awards - due 2/24/23 - recommend nominating Gabe for DEI WD AFS award
- Leanne attendance - we'll know tomorrow
- MHCC update at business meeting - check with Marla or Todd if Bridget isn't available
- Travel support for Best Student Paper to WDAFS in Boise (\$500 travel grant to winner)
- 2026 WDAFS info

**Officer Updates:**

**President -Chris Hirsch**

- WDAFS Mid monthly meeting
  - Dan Brauch will be the WD member attending our meeting
  - Travel Grant and Award nominations are open - due Feb 24th
  - Encourage student subunits to put in for best subunit
  - Request to WDAFS to waive registration for student winners (confirmed)
    - March 15th abstract deadline
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**Past-President - Scott Heppell**

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**President-Elect – Gary Vonderohe**

- All annual meeting all the time
- finished abstracts
- final pieces of program to Dan
  - waiting when we'll get the draft.
  - 26 people have paid to have a printed copy
  - Adrienne will print name tags in LaGrande

- all awards have recipients

### **Vice President – Claire Rosemond**

- Most updates at planning meeting yesterday
- Student subleaders organizing the student mentor mixer
- Raffle/auction - tracking down last items.
- New merch has been ordered
- staying tied in with Olivia on volunteers
- hoping to find a few more baskets

### **Student Representatives**

- OSU update: Forms have been sent to OSU students for transportation to and from the conference provided by the club. Bridget, Jacob and Nat are currently working on the mixer.
- MHCC update: (by email from Bridget Manning): Three officers and other second year will be running the cornhole tournament that will take place over 2 nights. There are 4 other student volunteers available to help wherever needed. Olivia Boisen I sent an email with that list of names today. We have obtained 5 silent auction/ raffle prizes. I have sent Claire information about these items. We are still discussing prizes for the cornhole tournament. We are wanting to include 6 new AFS t-shirts for prizes. I am working with Jacob Edward's on coordinating the student mentor mixer. There are currently 47 people registered. We have topic tables picked out for this event.

### **Internal Director – Joe Lemanski**

- Most updates in yesterday's meeting planning meeting. Working on getting close to \$40K for food and beverage, currently \$3K short
- Still working through AV needs. Need to decide if we want another banquet room set up for awards lunch and banquet.

### **External Director – Alex Harrison**

- No Lassuy award applications. Partial information from one person (transcripts and letter of recommendation) Alex will work with Kate on options.
- Leg. the committee met with Jack Dempsey yesterday. Have weekly conference calls scheduled. Gary is on the Legislative committee.

### **Secretary – Sarah Sapienza**

### **Treasurer - Adrienne Averett**

- Business Account balance of \$64,054.37 includes a December donation to the Bouck Memorial fund, Cvent income (proportion of registration income to date), and Annual Meeting sponsorship deposits.
- As of today, we have 286 registered Annual Meeting attendees and gross registration revenue of ~\$79.3K.
- Continuing to track down our existing accountant regarding the status of FY22 federal and state tax submissions.
- Submitted our annual Oregon non-profit registration report.

- No tribal reduced registration waivers requested yet for the Annual Meeting; 6-7 non-tribal reduced registration waivers requested.
- Recommend that the DEI committee work on direction/sideboards for the Lassuy fund.

Adjourn 4:34