



*Oregon Chapter*  
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*American Fisheries Society*  
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**To:** ORAFS Executive Committee

**From:** Sarah Sapienza, Secretary

**Subject:** Minutes from the ORAFS Executive Committee Teleconference – Thursday, October 13, 2022, 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

**In attendance:** Chris Hirsch – President, Gary Vonderohe – President-Elect, Sarah Sapienza – Secretary, Claire Rosemond – Vice President, Alex Harrison – External Director, Natalie Godwin –OSU Subunit

**Call to Order/Additional Agenda Items/Establish a quorum (3:02) – Chris Hirsch**

**Approval of Meeting Minutes – Sarah Sapienza (3:04)**

- Alex moved to approve the September meeting minutes as submitted and Gary seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed.

**Main topics of conversation**

- Sponsorship request for 2022 State of the Coast Conference in Newport
- Still have \$1,000 in funds available for sponsorship.
- Gary motioned to approve the sponsorship of \$500 for the 2022 State of the Coast Conference in Newport and Sarah seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- Natalie will be attending the conference, representing ExCom.
- Emerging Technologies Information Systems registration and travel awards
  - We get 2 complimentary registrations with our sponsorship. At the time, we discussed providing one of these to a student or tribal member
  - Alex or Joe will attend virtually.
- Scholarship award winners Piscatorial Press blurbs
- Forest Service emails in our list serv... 81 rejects
- Wild and Scenic River support discussion

**Officer Reports**

**President – Chris Hirsch**

- WDAFS in Spokane – Laurie will be upcoming WDAFS President.
- New Pacific Islands officers attended.
- Diversity and Inclusion Committee-looking to present on lessons learned to local chapters.

- Alaska Chapter holding in-person/virtual hybrid meeting, has had more rural members register.

#### **Past-President – Scott Heppell**

- Absent.

#### **President-Elect – Gary Vonderohe**

- Data Visualization confirmed as additional workshop.
- Have discussions started for 2025 meeting location? 2024/2025 will be in Bend.

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

- Solicitation of donations for the Auction and Raffle.
- Looking into locations for the storage of donations. Possibly Corvallis?

#### **Student Representatives**

- OSU Update: Natalie Godwin
  - OSU Subunit meeting is occurring tonight.
  - Interest in volunteering for Annual Meeting, large plus is the location in relation to Corvallis.
  - Hatchery Research Center field trip occurring with about 12 students.
- MHCC Update: Absent **emailed updates**

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

- Absent.

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

- Still looking for DEI Committee Chair, have had multiple people turn down the role.

#### **Secretary – Sarah Sapienza**

- Finally able to access membership lists.
- Will get Membership updates to PP by tomorrow.
- Emailed Webmaster to upload the meeting minutes from June-August.
- Adrienne, Joe and I are meeting with Cvent Friday morning. Cvent has assigned a person to us and we will be meeting her.
- **Sarah will contact Mike Gauvin/Michelle Weaver about storage of merchandise.**

#### **Treasurer – Adrienne Averett**

- Absent.

Adjourned 4:10 PM