



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

**From:** Sarah Sapienza, Secretary

**Subject:** Minutes from the ORAFS Executive Committee Teleconference – Thursday, December 8, 2022, 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

**In attendance:** Chris Hirsch – President, Gary Vonderohe – President-Elect, Sarah Sapienza – Secretary, Adrienne Averett – Treasurer, Alex Harrison – External Director, Joe Lemanski - Internal Director

**Call to Order/Additional Agenda Items/Establish a quorum (3:07) – Chris Hirsch**

**Approval of Meeting Minutes – Sarah Sapienza (3:10)**

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

**Main topics of conversation**

- Report out from WDAFS DEI meeting - things we should adopt?
- Mailing out PDF of PP vs. link to website:
  - Resolution to email link to website for the PP instead of emailed PDF.
- Candidate update from Scott:
  - Has 1 candidate for Pres. Elect
  - Still needs candidates for Treasurer and Vice President (VP - will follow up on Claire's suggestion)
  - PP will be due middle of December.

**Officer Reports**

**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
- Emerging Technologies Information Systems
- Opportunity for working with color workshop or webinar, would like a 2-hour webinar. OR AFS ExCom supports the workshop.

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

- Absent.

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

- Bi-monthly planning meetings:
  - Submission of abstracts is low with deadline looming.
  - Request from Derek Wilson looking to use poster boards in April, OR AFS ExCom supports this.
  - Confirmed students will run the Corn hole event.

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

- Attended the MHCC student subunit meeting (virtually) last week and gave the "Meet the Professional Society" presentation.
- Students from both the OSU and MHCC subunits have not been very engaged with activity planning or volunteering so far - hopefully, students will want to be more involved next quarter.
- We have secured items for the auction and raffle with a total added estimated value of almost \$4000 so far.

### **Student Representatives**

- OSU Update: Absent.
- MHCC Update: Absent.

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

- No updates.

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

- WDAFS DEI Meeting:
  - PowerPoint has Closed Captioning when a presentation is being recorded.
  - Alaska Chapter has free registration for Tribal members and high school students.
  - Creating list of DEI Organizations
  - Need to specifically reach out to target groups to encourage participation (e.g. raising awareness about tribal member registration)
- We have a chair for the DEI Committee!

### **Secretary – Sarah Sapienza**

- Adrienne and Sarah met with Cvent to discuss website and in person registration options.
- Met with Gary at ODFW HQ to do inventory of meeting supplies.
- Will ask Emma to post minutes to the website.

### **Treasurer – Adrienne Averett**

- Will be on the Sustainability Committee and be able to reach out and assist new Treasurer.
- New debit card has arrived after fraud incident.

- Searching for accountant. Adrienne will reach out to Western Division Treasurer about who they use.

Adjourned 4:05 PM