



Who is AFS?

- * AFS is...
 - * The oldest & largest professional society for fisheries scientists in the world
 - * Composed of 9000+ members from around the world
- * Membership includes individuals of various occupations who are interested and working in fisheries including:
 - * Biologists
 - * Fisheries managers
 - * Aquaculturists
 - * Engineers
 - * Geneticists
 - * Ecologists
 - * Economists
 - * Social Scientists

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How Are We Organized?

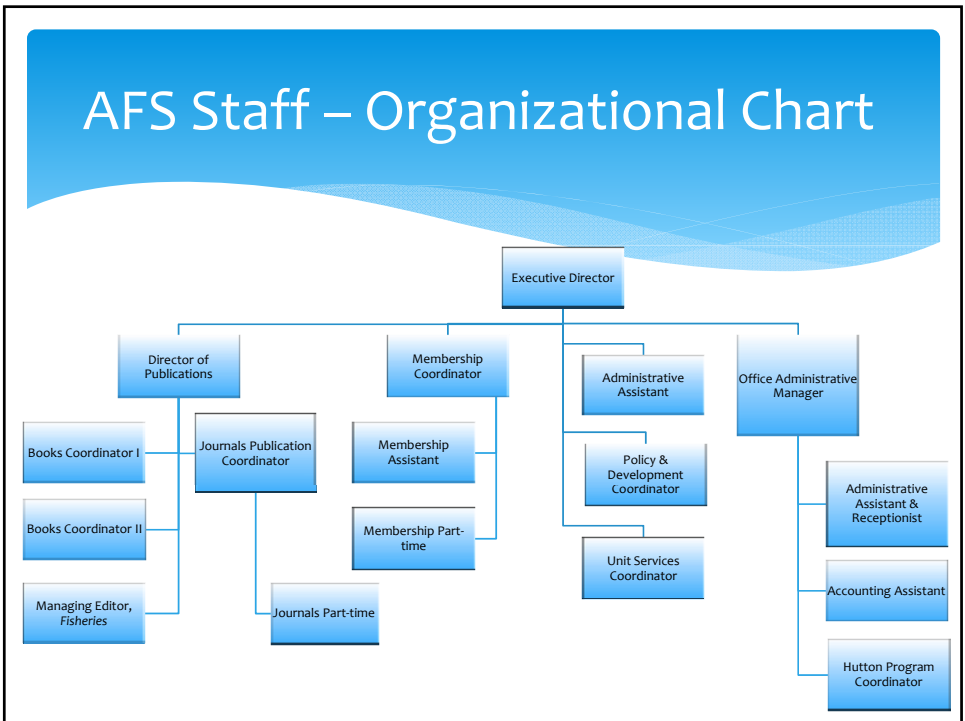
- * Volunteer leadership
 - * AFS Officers
 - * Governing Board
 - * Management Committee
 - * Chapter Presidents
 - * Committee Chairs

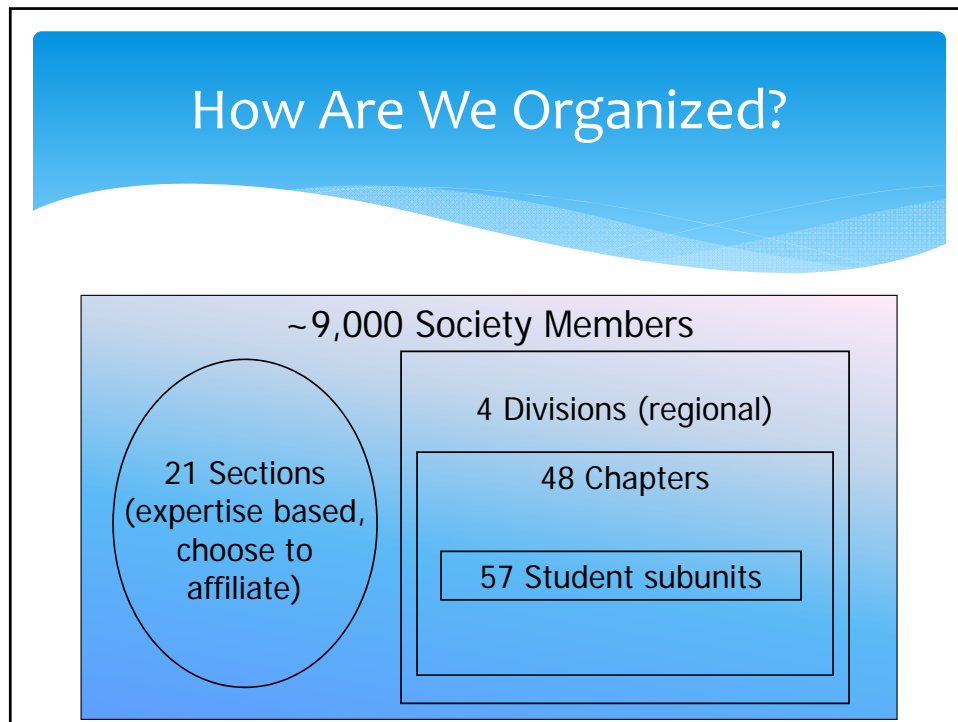
- * Committees
 - * Standing
 - * Special
 - * Boards
 - * Liaisons

(Fulfill the charges of the President for the Society)

- * AFS Staff
 - * Executive Director
 - * Publications Director
 - * Membership Coordinator
 - * Administrative Manager


(Fulfill Society duties for the Executive Director)



Divisions

- * Serve member needs in large geographic area coordinating with federal, provincial and state-level agencies and organizations. The 4 divisions are:
 - * North Central
 - * Northeastern
 - * Southern
 - * Western



Chapters

- * Serve members' needs in local and federal, provincial and state areas and represent those needs to the Division leadership
- * 48 chapters in North America
 - * Including two bi-national chapters (Atlantic International, Washington-British Columbia)
 - * and the Mexico Chapter



Student Subunits

- * Student Subunits
 - * Organized within Chapters, they serve as a way for students to be involved within their institution and network with local professionals.
 - * 57 Student subunits affiliated with 33 chapters



Sections

- * Sections

- * Serve member needs without geographic limits and represents member needs to AFS leadership relative to a specific discipline or topic area including:
 - * Fisheries Management
 - * Equal Opportunity
 - * Fish Culture
 - * Socioeconomics
- * There are 21 Sections



AFS Committees

- * AFS Committees currently include 28 standing committees and 5 special committees.
 - * Standing committees include:
 - * Awards Committees
 - * Continuing Education
 - * Resource Policy
 - * Special committees include:
 - * Affiliate Membership
 - * Hutton Junior Fisheries Program
 - * Executive Director Succession Planning



Liaisons

- * AFS members serve as liaisons to various fisheries related boards and organizations including:
 - * American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists
 - * Eastern Brook Trout Joint Venture
 - * National Fish Habitat Action Plan Board
 - * Society for Conservation Biology
 - * World Aquaculture Society
 - * World Council of Fisheries Societies



QUESTIONS or COMMENTS?

This presentation was extracted from the "What is AFS" presentation that is available on the AFS website if you are ever called on to give such a presentation.

