

ExCom meeting

8/26/11

Attendees: Diana Miller, Ryan Fitzpatrick, Paul Gerrity, Ann Widmer (via phone), Greg Andersen, Travis Neebling, Will Stacy, and Clark Johnson (via phone), Melissa Dickard (via phone).

Ryan made motion to approve agenda, Paul seconded

Annual business meeting minutes approved via e-mail with edits

Approval of fy11 treasurer's report

- One modification to Vice President travel - travel costs moved from FY11 to FY12 budget
- FY11 treasurers' report approved

Approval of fy12 treasurers report

- FY12 budget was already approved by the budget review committee

CSU subunit report (Will Stacy)

- Eric Gardunio is new president
- Chris Craft is now vice president
- Plan on possibly attending student colloquium at University of Montana

UW subunit update (Clark Johnson)

- Clark Johnson is new president
- Will have opening social meeting first week of September
- Will do October/November redd counts with the Wyoming Game and Fish Department
- Dave Zafft is going to speak to the subunit about applying for Wyoming Game and Fish Department jobs
- Will have burbot ice fishing event in the winter

Archive committee report (Greg Andersen)

- Received grant money for scanning project (\$1,000)
- Got archives scanned on CD's and microfiche. There are multiple copies.
- Greg wants all committee chairs to give him paper copies of documents that need archived, the process for this is in our procedures manual. Greg needs 2 copies of all documents. **Please be sure date is on them!**
- Our archived materials will be taken to the museum at Spearfish under a loan agreement. Greg and Venice Beske are still trying to figure out the loan agreement.
- Under an agreement with Spearfish we need to have a consistent address where the museum can contact us. Greg will look into having something added into our procedures manual where the Archive Committee chair's address will be given to the museum.

CE committee update (sent in by Bobby Compton)

- Bobby wants to know how many CE courses and what CE at WD meeting
- A CE course survey was just sent out by the parent society, and we will look into the results
- A number of possible CE courses were discussed (e.g., R software, statistics in fisheries, use of stable isotopes in fisheries)
- Chapter members attending the Seattle parent society meeting will determine what courses were popular at the Seattle meeting

Western Division 2012 meeting report

Website update (Travis Neebling)

- Travis has begun a website for the the 2012 Western Division meeting.
- Travis is working on getting it linked to the AFS website and is working on many other additions but so far it looks very good.
- Travis volunteered to set up abstract submission on the website also

Discussion on registration details

- Registration will begin by mid-December
- Early registration deadline will be February 15
- We will try to make abstract submission begin at same time early registration begins
- It was decided that only online registration will be allowed up until the meeting begins because of the difficulties in combining online and paper registrations before the meeting. Only walk-up registrants during the days of the meeting will be allowed register using paper forms.
- Because of problems during past meetings with online registrations, we will not allow any refunds with online registration

Tour overview

- Diana had a handout for possible tours and events for the WD meeting
- Greg suggested looking into a tour of the Jackson Fish Hatchery

Plenary Committee (Melissa Dickard)

- The Plenary Committee is still working on finding speakers but has some promising leads

Schedule overview

- Diana had a handout on with a tentative schedule
- The Western Division business meeting on will be on Monday March 26, which is the 1st day of meeting and the same day as continuing education courses
- There will likely be a one-hour poster social Wednesday afternoon after lunch

Catering overview

- Diana had a handout on the schedule and costs

- Getting donations for beer at socials was discussed
- We need to look into laws for transporting donated kegs
- We need to look into costs the hotel may have for serving beer

New business (Diana)

Chapter Insurance

- Every year we obtain insurance for our meetings.
- Last year we got insurance through the parent society, which was \$150
- ExCom decided to get the parent society insurance again for the time period from Oct 15 2011 to Oct 14 2012

Taxes

- We are going to pay a tax preparer \$500 to complete our 2011 Chapter taxes.

The next Excom meeting date and location will be on Friday December 2 in Jackson @ 9:00am at the WGFD office. The meeting will include a tour of the Snow King resort.***

***The date of the next ExCom meeting has since been changed to Thursday, December 8.

Meeting adjourned at 11:39am