



American Fisheries Society Western Division

President Dan Brauch, President-Elect Laurie Earley, Vice-President Eric Fetherman, Secretary-Treasurer Laura Burckhardt,
Past-President Todd Pearsons, Student Representative Kat Dale

Advancing fisheries and aquatic science and professionals in western North America

Executive Committee December Call: Wednesday, January 12, 2022

Start Time: 11:00 am AK time/ 12:00 pm PT / 1:00 pm MST/3:00 pm ET

Zoom Link: <https://us05web.zoom.us/j/5921048289?pwd=SEhMSUhmQ0RFcTZDQ3U3WVJ5S0x1QT09>

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WDAFS Executive Committee (1:00 PM-2:00 PM MST)

Notes

WDAFS Officers and Representatives from: AK, WA/BC, OR, ID, MT, CA/NV, UT, CO/WY, AZ/NM

Roll call

Participants:

- Dan Brauch, WD President
- Todd Pearsons, WD Past President
- Laurie Earley, WD President-Elect
- Eric Fetherman, WD Vice President
- Laura Burckhardt, WD Secretary Treasurer
- Kat Dale, WD Student Representative
- Christina Barrineau, CO/WY Chapter
- Matt Young, CA/NV AFS President
- Brian Hickerson, AZ/NM Chapter
- Chris Hirsch, Oregon AFS President Elect
- Paul Burnett, Utah AFS President
- Lisa Eby, Montana AFS President
- Sue Mauger, AK Chapter
- Tim Copeland, ID Chapter
- Alf Hawkeness, WA/BC Chapter
- Lisa Eby, MT Chapter

Determination of quorum (majority of elected officers, 1/3 Chapters)

A quorum was present.

Motion: Approve August meeting minutes

Todd provided revisions to the December notes and the revisions were resent. No one opposed approval of the revised minutes. Notes approved.

WDAFS Treasurer's briefing and Financial Sustainability Plan Update (Dan)

Laura Burckhardt (WD Secretary/Treasurer) reviewed the Treasurer report for December. The taxes have also been submitted to the tax professional.

AFS briefing (Laurie-MGMT Committee, Gov Board, Eric-Membership)

Management Committee - Meeting on 1/14/2022. Work being done to reestablish the obligated reserv fund.

Objective of the ORF - cover some portion of the annual operating costs of the society or cover any additional needs that the management committee may establish. The 'goal' amount for the ORF is yet to be determined but we are throwing around 50%, 70%, or 100% of the annual operations funds. There will be code of conduct reminders coming out from AFS. There will be a new reporting tool that will go to the Professional Ethics and Conduct committee.

Membership – Only 50% of current members have renewed for 2022, so please renew by the end of January.

Membership and non-member surveys should be released in February.

WDAFS Committee briefing (new updates: RPECC, FSC, NFC, ECP, D&I, MC)

- **RPECC** – Only outstanding action item is the area potential Roadless Rule letter. Sue added that comments are due January 23. Sue plans to share the Alaska Chapter draft letter for the committee to review and consider using for a WDAFS letter. The letter will be sent out to the Executive Committee for review and comment.
- **FSC** – Met recently to discuss the status of the Account, to talk about Investment account transactions and User permissions. We will also be sending out year-end report to every Unit that has funding. Outside of Excom this includes CSU Submit and Fish Culture Section.
- **NFC** – Working on the database and plan to launch in late spring.
- **ECP** – Committee is getting organized and have a call planned in February.
- **D&I** – No update since mid-year meeting, a meeting is planned in January.

AFS Webinars and Webinar Handout

A webinar content handout was provided to promote the webinars that are available to members. Three of the webinars are currently available to non-members without a login. Chapters are asked to distribute this to their meeting attendees.

Student Representative Update (Kat) / Student Colloquium Plans

- Colloquium is happening at the end of next week. There is a remote option. Twelve students are planning to attend in person.
- Trying to solicit student help in planning and implementing student events at the National meeting.

Chapter briefings (roughly 1 minute/chapter)

- **AK (Sue)** – Chapter meeting will be virtual and hosted via Whova. AK chapter was asked to contribute to the Hutton program and curious if other Chapters are contributing to the program. No Chapters replied indicating they contributed financially to the program. AK is planning to cover the Officer's Society membership costs.
- **WA/BC (Alf)** – Planning of Spokane meeting is the primary focus of the Chapter right now.
- **OR (Chris)** – Chapter is working on meeting planning. Reaching out and engaging high school students. Received a \$90K endowment that would be used for D&I funding.

- **ID (Tim)** – Hired a local consultant to assist with the hybrid meeting. Registration will open soon. Call for papers closes this week. Cost is \$80 for virtual and is higher for in-person.
- **MT (Lisa)** – Natural Resource Committee is working on Yellowstone Intake Diversion commenting. Meeting planning (full virtual) is occurring and call for awards and scholarships are being advertised.
- **CA/NV (Matt)** – Meeting is being postponed until May 24-27.
- **UT (Paul)** – Members want to have an in-person meeting – March 7 to 9. They will be reevaluating that decision next week.
- **CO/WY (Christina)** – Continuing with Virtual planning using Whova. Working on getting Western Colorado University added as a subunit.
- **AZ/NM (Brian)** – Meeting is Feb 3 to 5 and they are planning the meeting right now.

Spokane meeting update (Dan/Laurie) Call for Symposium update, Planning Progress

- Symposium planning tool is up and running. The formal symposium submission closes in 2.5 weeks (January 28th).
- Training opportunities – Training track is being considered that would cover a continuing education course and access to all talks that are specific to that topic. Current topics on science (climate) communication and potentially tribal / indigenous issues (see attachment). Asked that contacts for Tribal session be sent to Laurie and Dan.
- First Local Team planning meeting held Dec 16, next January 20.

Web site issues / delayed Tributary publication

Newsletter was posted on the website but is not displaying, nor is any linked files added since October. Travis Neebling is working on resolution

New or other business

Next monthly call is set for February 9th at noon PT, 1 PM MST.

Important upcoming dates:

- Small project grants due Feb 1, 2022 and awarded by March 1
- Awards & scholarships, due March 1, 2022 and awarded by April 1
- Travel grants due May 1, 2022 (grant application not yet finalized)

Attachments:

1. Monthly financial statement / balances by month for end of December 2021
2. December Excom call meeting notes with submitted edits
3. Draft Climate Science Communications Continuing Education Training Track
4. Society Webinar Handout

Meeting was adjourned at 2:02 PM (MST).

WDAFS Officers Meeting (2:10-4:15 PM MST)

WDAFS Officers to stay on conference line

Chapter Annual General Meeting representation by Excom, Presentations

- CA/NV meeting date shift was discussed for meeting participation. Laura was updated to represent at CO/WY meeting.
- Presentation is on the WDAFS Shared Drive/Annual Meeting Files/Chapter AGM Presentations – presentation was reviewed and discussed.

Student symposium reimbursements (Kat)

- Kat is paying for food, lodging and mileage at 0.10 per mile. She will pay everyone for these costs then submit receipts to Laura for reimbursement.
- Kat will be contacting Beth Beard to get website contract information updated for Student Subunits.
- Kat will be moving to a post-doc position in December outside of the division. Need nominations by March 1 to be announced in March 15 tributary.
- Looking at hosting information for helping students update and revise their websites in the spring.

Officer nominations (Todd) – Todd is continuing to contact nominees for Vice President.

Spokane meeting planning update (Dan/Laurie) – Eric will confirm that Alf has all the committee needs covered. Todd will help provide contacts for the Tribal continuing education.

Website / Tributary – Website links are not functioning right now.

Small project grants - 2020 and 2021 awards expire on 2/15/2022. Laura will contact Eric Wagner and Adam Kanigan who have not submitted requests for reimbursements.

Google Workspace update / transition of documents to server – Files have been transferred over and people can be added to the membership of each folder as needed.

Society Budget Discussion – Society is discussing budget and long-term sustainability concerns. The primary concern is that there is not a sustainable model right now.

Mid-year report – Reporting is for the governing board. Occurs at the transition between Presidents but no one has received anything yet.

Next meeting will be after next Excom meeting

Adjourn at 4:15 pm MST



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WDAFS Executive Committee **AGENDA** (12:00 PM-1:00 PM PT)

WDAFS Officers and Representatives from: AK, WA/BC, OR, ID, MT, CA/NV, UT, CO/WY, AZ/NM

- 12:00 PT Roll call / determination of quorum (majority of officers, 1/3 of Chapters).
- 12:03 Approval of December monthly call notes
- 12:05 WDAFS Treasurer's briefing and budget review and balances report (Laura)
- 12:10 AFS Level Committee briefings (Laurie-MGMT Committee, Gov Board, Eric-Membership)
- 12:15 WDAFS Committee briefing-any new updates? (RPECC-Todd, FSC-Dan, NFC-Todd, ECP-Laurie, D&I-Eric, Membership-Eric)
- 12:20 AFS Webinars and Webinar Handout (Eric)
- 12:25 Student Colloquium and Student Activities update (Kat)
- 12:30 Chapter briefings (roughly 1 minute/chapter)
- 12:40 Spokane meeting update (Dan/Laurie) Call for Symposium update, Planning Progress
 - First Local Team planning meeting held Dec 16, next January 20
 - Program Committee Update (Laurie) including Continuing Education Training Track program focusing on science (climate) communication and potentially tribal / indigenous issues (see attachment)
- 12:50 Web site issues / delayed Tributary publication
- 12:55 New or other business
- 1:00 Adjourn Next meeting February 9th at 1 pm MT, noon PT
- Important upcoming dates:
 - Small project grants due Feb 1, 2022 and awarded by March 1
 - Awards & scholarships, due March 1, 2022 and awarded by April 1
 - Nominate your chapter for Outstanding Small or Large Chapter and Outstanding Student Subunit by March 1!
 - Travel grants due May 1, 2022 (kick-off coming soon!)

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WDAFS Officers Meeting **AGENDA** (1:00-2:00 PM PT)

WDAFS Officers to stay on the video conference

- December Excom call follow-through
- Film Festival Planning (Eric/Dan)
- Travel Grants coordination (Eric)
- Student symposium reimbursements (Kat)
- Officer nominations (Todd)
- Chapter Annual General Meeting representation by Excom, Presentations
- Spokane meeting planning update (Dan/Laurie)
- Google Workspace update / transition of documents to server
- Committee engagement
- Other
- Next meeting will be after next Excom meeting



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Executive Committee December Call: Wednesday, December 8, 2021

Start Time: 11:00 am AK time/ 12:00 pm PT / 1:00 pm MST/3:00 pm ET

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- Sue Mauger, AK Chapter
- Lisa Eby, MT Chapter
- Scott Heppell, OR Chapter

Introductions and Determination of quorum (majority of elected officers, 1/3 Chapters)

Dan provided time during roll call for everyone to introduce themselves, their role within the Western Division or Chapter. A quorum was present.

Motion: Approve August meeting minutes

No one opposed approval of the minutes. Notes approved.

WDAFS Treasurer's briefing and Financial Sustainability Plan Update (Dan)

Laura Burckhardt (WD Secretary/Treasurer) put together the budget updates for November in Quicken and there is a new format of the report. Laura went over the new format and information and asked that if

anyone had any changes to let her know. And asked if Excom would be willing to just review the approved budget for meeting travel budgets.

AFS briefing (Laurie-MGMT Committee, Gov Board, Eric-Membership)

Management Committee - No updates since the mid-year meeting.

Membership – Membership and non-membership surveys are complete and being tested. The surveys should come out in February. Survey is asking about why you're a member. Non-member survey is asking why they are not members and what benefits they would like to see to increase their likelihood of joining.

WDAFS Committee briefing (new updates: RPECC, FSC, NFC, ECP, D&I, MC)

- **RPECC** – Bob Hughes is organizing a conference on dam and culvert removals. Chapters should contact Bob if they are interested in participating.
- **FSC** – Met recently to discuss the status of the Account, to talk about Investment account transactions and User permissions. We will also be sending out year-end report to every Unit that has funding. Outside of Excom this includes CSU Submit and Fish Culture Section.
- **NFC** – Working on hosting their annual symposium. If there is interested in participation, reach out to Luke Schultz
- **ECP** – No update since mid-year meeting
- **D&I** – No update since mid-year meeting
- **MC** – Eric looked at the other three divisions guidance on the membership committee.

Student Representative Update (Kat) / Student Colloquium Plans

- Colloquium notices will be coming out shortly. Working on updating student subunit contact information.

Chapter Meeting Dates / Virtual VS In Person Updates, Advertisement of meetings in Tributary

- Dan shared the meeting advertisement page that will be published in the Tributary. No one objected to publishing it in the Tributary.
 - Updates to list: Alaska will update Dan if they decide to go virtual. Idaho's will be updated to reflect that it's a hybrid meeting.

Update of meeting sponsorship request for the 2022 Canadian Conference for Fisheries Research and Canadian Society of Limnologists (Dan/Alf)

- WA/BC is planning to support this meeting at a \$500 level. Western Division is proposing support at a \$500 USD level. They have decided not to increase sponsorship to have a booth. Jeff stated that they are meeting on this next week. No concerns were raised.

Chapter briefings (roughly 1 minute/chapter)

- **AK (Sue)** – Chapter is discussing changing the meeting to a virtual one
- **WA/BC (Jeff)** – No update since mid-year meeting
- **OR (Scott)** – Chapter is working on meeting planning. Asked for feedback on attracting high school participation.
- **ID (Tim)** – Published newsletter calling for papers and providing meeting information. They will have separate in person and virtual workshops. Asked Laurie to send out an update on reporting of violations of meeting codes of conduct.

- **MT** (Lisa) – Working on getting information on Facebook, D&I outreach, and on meeting planning. Brad Shepards obituary will be coming out in Fisheries
- **CO/WY** (Christina) – Continuing with Virtual planning using Hoova. Is working on adding Western Colorado University added as a subunit.
- **AZ/NM** (Brian) – Held student/professional panel where students ask questions and get feedback from professionals. AZ/NM has 5 student subunits.

Spokane meeting update (Dan/Laurie) Call for Symposium update, Planning Progress

- Are using a whiteboard tool to plan and develop symposium (<https://afsspokane-fisheriescommunity.pantheonsite.io/>). Formal symposium proposal process opens December 20
- Draft budget for Spokane has been developed. Estimated profits for WDAFS is \$25 to 47,000
- Monthly planning meetings will start December 16th.

RPECC Comment on Alaska Roadless Rule? (Todd/Dan) (or hold to officers portion of call)

Should Western Division comment on this issue? Relates mainly to Alaska chapter.

Todd – Western Division has commented on Chapter level issues if the issues are broader.

Sue – The degradation of river and forest habitats is a broader issue that occurs across the Western Division. Comments are due January 23. There is not strong opposition, some local opposition.

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2. Mid-Year meeting notes with submitted edits
3. Alaska Roadless Rule 60 Day Comment email

Meeting was adjourned at 2:05 PM (MDT).

WDAFS Officers Meeting (2:00-3:40 PM MST)
WDAFS Officers to stay on conference line

RPECC Comment on Alaska Roadless Rule – Continued

- Sue will circle back and let WDAFS know if an additional letter is helpful
- AFS wants Western Division and Alaska chapter to be aligned and in support of writing this letter before they will assist in the letter drafting.
- Dan, Todd, Laura, Laurie, Eric, Kat Dale
- November Excom call follow-through –
 - Helping Chapters with getting Committee involvement

- Todd thanked Eric, Kat and Laura for their work with looking into committees, the budget, and student subunit contacts
 - Officers discussed ideas for outreach for student colloquium
 - Symposium is being developed for large rivers and they are inviting Chinese professors and students to the Spokane meeting
 - Kat will also reach out to Hawaii
 - Tax prep proposal (Laura) – Laura met with Michelle Nelson with Nelson & Associates. They focus solely on non-profits and would be happy to help with our taxes. The EZ form costs \$850. Laura will send her the documents necessary to get the taxes files. Taxes are due by the end of February.
 - Officer nominations (Todd) – Society AFS nominating committee is voting on nominees next week. The committee is looking at a rule changes that will need to be approved by the Governors board. Announce the nominees in the March instead of February edition of Fisheries. Todd is waiting to recruit the Vice President candidate until the Society committee votes are made.
 - Chapter Annual General Meeting representation by Excom
 - Alaska – February 28-March 3 – Todd & Dan
 - AZ/NM – February 3-5 – Eric Fetherman
 - CA/NV – In person - February 14-17 – Dan Brauch attending. Kat attending with the subunit. Laurie might be attending.
 - CO/WY – March 1-3 – Eric/Dan/Laura
 - ID – Hybrid - March 1-4 – Laurie Earley – Will attend in-person (employer will not cover this)
 - MT – March 1-4 – Todd Pearsons
 - OR – March 2-4 – Kat
 - WWA-BC – August 21-25 Spokane – All Officers
 - Utah – Unknown –
 - Spokane meeting planning update (Dan/Laurie)
 - Google Workspace update – Laura provided an update on the status of the new workspace (wdafs.org). Archiving and email use was discussed. The decision was made to create user accounts for all officers and offer it to the Newsletter, Website, and Tracy Wendt.
 - Other
 - Received the first small project grant application
 - Travel Grants – Eric will work with Laurie’s files to get announcements started
 - Next meeting will be after next Excom meeting
- Adjourn at 3:40pm MST



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Secretary/Treasurer Report – December 31, 2021

Account Balances by Month

Table 1. Bank Account Balances

Account	9/30/2021 Balance	10/31/2021 Balance	11/30/2021 Balance	12/31/2021 Balance
Bank Accounts				
MACU CD Maturation December 21 22	10,910.93	10,913.25	10,915.50	10,917.83
MACU CD Maturation June 18 22	10,938.52	10,940.85	10,943.10	10,945.43
MACU CD Maturation March 21 22	10,790.08	10,792.38	10,794.60	10,796.90
MACU CD Maturation October 9 22	10,896.90	10,899.46	10,901.70	10,904.02
MACU Savings	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Wells Fargo Checking	39,992.60	38,454.61	57,494.13	55,682.55
TOTAL Bank Accounts	83,554.03	82,025.55	101,074.03	99,271.73
Investment Accounts				
Charles Schwab	618,569.96	649,099.76	629,521.14	627,235.48
TOTAL Investment Accounts	618,569.96	649,099.76	629,521.14	627,235.48
OVERALL TOTAL	702,123.99	731,125.31	730,595.17	726,507.21

Investment Account

Table 2 displays the current Unit ownership in the Investment account.

On November 30, 2021 UT AFS contributed \$5,000 to this account and their percent ownership was adjusted from 4.3% to 5.06%. This adjustment subsequently reduced each Unit's percent ownership as shown in Table 2.

Table 2. Unit Balance and Ownership in Investment Account

	10/1/2021	10/31/2021	11/30/2021	12/31/2021
Monthly Balance	\$ 618,569.96	\$ 649,099.74	\$ 629,521.11	\$ 627,235.00
Western Division	\$ 250,849.51	\$ 263,230.29	\$ 253,262.89	\$ 252,343.16
AZ-NM Chapter	\$ 26,598.51	\$ 27,911.29	\$ 26,854.41	\$ 26,756.89
CO-WY Chapter	\$ 77,135.67	\$ 80,942.74	\$ 77,877.78	\$ 77,594.97
Idaho Chapter	\$ 54,496.01	\$ 57,185.69	\$ 55,020.31	\$ 54,820.50
Utah Chapter	\$ 26,579.12	\$ 27,890.94	\$ 31,834.83	\$ 31,719.22
WA-BC Chapter	\$ 48,557.74	\$ 50,954.33	\$ 49,024.91	\$ 48,846.87
CSU Student Subunit	\$ 4,948.56	\$ 5,192.80	\$ 4,996.17	\$ 4,978.03
Fish Culture Section	\$ 95,630.92	\$ 100,350.82	\$ 96,550.96	\$ 96,200.34
Student Travel Fund	\$ 33,773.92	\$ 35,440.85	\$ 34,098.85	\$ 33,975.02
Percent Ownership	10/1/2021	10/31/2021	11/30/2021	12/31/2021
Western Division	40.55%	40.55%	40.23%	40.23%
AZ/NM Chapter	4.30%	4.30%	4.27%	4.27%
CO/WY Chapter	12.47%	12.47%	12.37%	12.37%
Idaho Chapter	8.81%	8.81%	8.74%	8.74%
Utah Chapter	4.30%	4.30%	5.06%	5.06%
WA-BC Chapter	7.85%	7.85%	7.79%	7.79%
CSU Student Subunit	0.80%	0.80%	0.79%	0.79%
Fish Culture Section	15.46%	15.46%	15.34%	15.34%
Student Travel Fund	5.46%	5.46%	5.42%	5.42%

Checking Account Transaction

The following table displays the reporting period opening balance, transactions by current budget category, the fiscal year that the transaction was budgeted in, and if the transaction has cleared the account or not.

Table 3. Checking Account Transactions

Date	Num	Description	Memo	Category	Tag	Clr	Amount
10/13/2021		Mailchimp	Monthly Fee	08 Miscellaneous Expenses:08.07 Mailchimp	FY22	c	-52.99
10/15/2021	1965	Madison Bargas	Madison Bargas D&I Travel	07 Committees:07.02 Diversity and Inclusion	FY21	c	-375.00
10/22/2021		Laurie Earley	Baltimore Meeting Registration	02 AFS WD Annual Meeting:02.03 Officer Travel	FY21	c	-395.00
10/29/2021	1968	Cat Adams	Travel Grant - ECP	07 Committees:07.01 Early Career Professional	FY21	c	-715.00
11/4/2021		Transfer From P...	2016 Meeting Sponsorships	1 WD Meeting Profits	FY16	c	4,839.00
11/13/2021		Mailchimp	Monthly Fee	08 Miscellaneous Expenses:08.07 Mailchimp	FY22	c	-52.99
11/16/2021		Dan Brauch	Baltimore Meeting	03 Other Ex.com Travel:03.03 AFS GB Mid-year me...	FY21	c	-2,629.72
11/17/2021		Stop Payment Fee	Pruel check cancellation	08 Miscellaneous Expenses:08.01 Bank Charges	FY22	c	-31.00
11/17/2021		Todd Pearsons	Baltimore meeting	03 Other Ex.com Travel:03.03 AFS GB Mid-year me...	FY21	c	-395.00
11/17/2021		Taylor Pruel	D&I Grant	07 Committees:07.02 Diversity and Inclusion	FY21	c	-305.00
11/18/2021	1969	Cheryl Barnes	Travel Grant - D&I	07 Committees:07.02 Diversity and Inclusion	FY21	c	-75.00
11/24/2021		Usps	Postage TFalls to Cody	08 Miscellaneous Expenses:08.12 Other	FY22	c	-8.50
11/28/2021	1970	Jade Steel	Small Project Grant, Invoice 20211122	05 Grants:05.08 Small Grants Project	FY20		-161.37
11/29/2021		Usps	Postage to Canada, purchase stamps	08 Miscellaneous Expenses:08.12 Other	FY22	c	-12.90
11/30/2021		UT AFS	Profits from UT Meeting	1 WD Meeting Profits	FY21	c	17,872.00
12/2/2021		Quicken	Quicken	08 Miscellaneous Expenses:08.09 Other Supplies	FY22	c	-32.44
12/4/2021		UT AFS	Investment deposit	WDAFS Investment	FY22	c	5,000.00
12/7/2021		Dan Brauch	zoom annual fee	08 Miscellaneous Expenses:08.06 Communication	FY22	c	-142.54
12/7/2021		Dan Brauch	anniversary meeting display	08 Miscellaneous Expenses:08.14 Exhibit Costs	FY22	c	-157.25
12/7/2021		Dan Brauch	Mid-year meeting prize	08 Miscellaneous Expenses:08.09 Other Supplies	FY22	c	-41.59
12/11/2021		Schwab Brokera...	UTAFS Contribution Transfer to Schwab	WDAFS Investment	FY22	c	-5,000.00
12/11/2021		Mailchimp	Monthly fee	08 Miscellaneous Expenses:08.07 Mailchimp	FY22	c	-52.99
12/15/2021	1972	Canadian Confer...	2022 Conference Donation	05 Grants:05.05 Sponsorship for Other AFS Meetings	FY22		-500.00
12/23/2021		Dan Brauch	Spokane Planning Meeting	02 AFS WD Annual Meeting:02.03 Officer Travel	FY22	c	-564.81
12/23/2021		Laurie Earley	Spokane Planning Meeting	02 AFS WD Annual Meeting:02.03 Officer Travel	FY22	c	-319.96
10/1/2021 - 12/31/2021							15,689.95
TOTAL INFLOWS							27,711.00
TOTAL OUTFLOWS							-12,021.05
NET TOTAL							15,689.95

Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Overview

The following table displays the FY22 budget categories, opening balances, and transactions during the reporting period by category.

Table 4. Fiscal Year 2022 budget and transactions.

		FY22 Budget - Q4 2021 10/1/2021 through 12/31/2021			Page 1
1/3/2022	Date	Description	Memo	Clr	Amount
INCOME					0.00
WDAFS Investment					0.00
EXPENSES					60,905.04
02 AFS WD Annual Meeting					18,815.23
02.01 Excom Meeting					600.00
02.02 Business Meeting					2,000.00
02.03 Officer Travel					16,215.23
	10/1/2021	Opening Balance			17,100.00
	12/23/2021	Laurie Earley	Spokane Planning Meeting	c	-319.96
	12/23/2021	Dan Brauch	Spokane Planning Meeting	c	-564.81
03 Other Excom Travel					10,900.00
04 Awards					2,400.00
05 Grants					9,500.00
06 Student Support					11,800.00
07 Committees					3,400.00
08 Miscellaneous Expenses					4,089.81
08.01 Bank Charges					44.00
	10/1/2021	Opening Balance			75.00
	11/17/2021	Stop Payment Fee	Pruel check cancellation: wrong address pr...	c	-31.00
08.02 Web Site Maintenance					260.00
08.03 Branding Update					500.00
08.06 Communication					357.46
	10/1/2021	Opening Balance			500.00
	12/7/2021	Dan Brauch	zoom annual fee	c	-142.54
08.07 Mailchimp					681.03
	10/1/2021	Opening Balance			840.00
	10/13/2021	Mailchimp	10/10	R	-52.99
	11/13/2021	Mailchimp	11/09	c	-52.99
	12/11/2021	Mailchimp	Monthly fee	c	-52.99
08.08 Insurance					150.00
08.09 Other Supplies					225.97
	10/1/2021	Opening Balance			300.00
	12/2/2021	Quicken	Quicken 12/21 to 12/22	c	-32.44
	12/7/2021	Dan Brauch	Mid-year meeting prize	c	-41.59
08.10 Past President Honorarium					200.00
08.11 Professional Certification					200.00
08.12 Other					178.60
	10/1/2021	Opening Balance			200.00
	11/24/2021	Usps	Mail Secretary Files to Cody	c	-8.50
	11/29/2021	Usps	Mail grant check to Steel (Canada)	c	-12.90
08.13 Tax Preparation					1,300.00
08.14 Exhibit Costs					-7.25
	10/1/2021	Opening Balance			150.00
	12/7/2021	Dan Brauch	anniversery meeting display	c	-157.25
OVERALL TO...					60,905.04

Climate Science Communications Continuing Education Training Track

Goal:

To take advantage of the tremendous content depth of the Spokane annual meeting to enable a set of training program participants to substantially increase their skills and abilities in communicating the science of climate change and its impacts on fisheries and aquatic resources.

Approach:

The AFS Spokane annual meeting will provide a rich and deep set of symposiums, networking, and formal training opportunities that, if properly stitched together, would provide a unique opportunity to act as a high quality training program on climate change communications. This “training track” opportunity will build upon existing programming but add key components to ensure that the participants not only gain fundamental skill development but also receive state of the art science presentations, build a community of practices, and are able to coalesce the various experiences and training opportunities into a cohesive professional development activity. Several key steps will be employed to build this training experience.

1. Prior to this training event, all participants will join a webinar/conference call to review the course elements, meet the instructors, and identify a science communications project that they will use as a class exercise but that will also be intended for public distribution.
2. Participants will gain a solid foundation on the elements of science communications through a formal 8-16 hour training course held on the Saturday and Sunday prior to the start of the Spokane annual meeting.
3. They will then build upon the formal training foundation by attending key symposium on science communications where the latest challenges, tools, and approaches will be presented.
4. To synthesize all of this material (roughly 20 hours of classroom and symposium presentations) the participants will engage in a final ½-day facilitated discussion, identify lesson’s learned, refine work on an article, blog or other science communication exercise that was previously selected, and close out with a time line and check-in for conclusion of their exercise piece.
5. The participants will become part of the community of practice being developed through the Climate Ambassadors Program (CAP) and the MSCG Climate Communications program to expand the community and build increasingly better tools and teaching materials.

Skills Acquired:

Elements of science communication, comparison of media vehicles and key aspects of each, understanding audiences. Key techniques such as

Course Schedule:

Registration: Opens April 1, 2022

June 2022: Final participant list completed, webinar/conference call established, class exercise details sent to participants and project selected.

Mid-September: individual project concept and early draft sent to course leaders.

August 20-21, 2022: Formal training program at AFS annual meeting in Spokane, WA

August 22-25, 2022: Participation in symposium at Spokane conference

September 2022: Final debriefing, identification of lessons-learned, communication exercise review and refinement, and conclusion.

Registration:

Full course fee is \$1,000? (includes full registration to the AFS annual meeting in Spokane)



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- River Connectivity and Biological Complexity
- The Stock Assessment Process: Counting Fish

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- Chemistry to Conservation: Using Otoliths to Advance Fisheries Management
- How Many Candles on the Birthday Cake? The Vital Role of Age Estimates in Stock Assessments
- Fish Bioenergetics 4.0
- The 100-Watt Method: A Protocol for Backpack Electrofishing in Small Streams
- The Stock Assessment Process: Counting Fish
- Intro to eDNA: Applications, Advantages, and Implications
- Using Bayesian Clustering Algorithms to Discover Population Genetic Structure

Human Dimensions of Fisheries

- Climate Change and the Columbia River Tribes
- Understanding the People Part of Fisheries: An Introduction to Conservation Social Science

Fisheries Scientists: Advance Yourself

- Verbal Judo! A Method to Improve Your Ability to Talk to Those Hostile to Conservation
- Connecting the Dots: Diversity and Inclusion, and Collaborative Networks in Fisheries
- Getting Hired – What Students Need to Know
- Surviving Peer Review
- Navigating a Changing Fisheries Workplace
- Structured Decision Making as a Tool for All Occasions
- Resources and Strategies for AFS Student Subunits



Fisheries Conservation

- Coloring in the Lines – Mapping Surface Water Presence in a Rapidly Changing Climate
- Creating a Movement to Save Migratory Fish from Local to Global
- The Omega Principle: Seafood and the Quest for Long Life and a Healthier Planet
- What Can a Long-term Chinook Salmon Redd Survey Tell Us about Habitat Quality and Climate Change in a Dynamic Mountain Wilderness Landscape?
- Stream Simulation Design Methodology: Design Methodology for Adapting Road Crossing Infrastructure, Bridges and Culverts to Climate Change
- River Connectivity and Biological Complexity
- Multispecies and Watershed Approaches to Freshwater Fish Conservation
- A Clean Air Act Success Story: Evidence of Chemical and Biological Recovery in an Acidified River

All Things Aquaculture

- Hatchery Design in Aquaculture
- Establishing Aquaculture Opportunity Areas and How to Get Involved
- Mythbusting Marine Aquaculture

Fisheries Science: Species Specific Focus

- More than a River Monster: Conservation and Management of Alligator Gar
- Fleet Heterogeneity and Economic Performance in American Lobster
- Trout and Char of the World

AFS Spotlight

- AFS Virtual Spring Conference Talks – Spring 2020
- AFS Annual Meeting Highlights: Using Electronic Tagging Data to Inform the Assessment and Management of Fisheries Resources
- 2019 AFS Annual Meeting Best Student Paper and Poster Presentations
- AFS Annual Meeting Highlights: American Eel Population Assessment, Restoration, and Monitoring

Policy

- Recovering America's Wildlife Act Update
- Waters of the United States (WOTUS): What You Need to Know About the Rule and How to Take Action
- Supporting of the Recovering America's Wildlife Act: A Guide to Grassroots Advocacy