

**Western Division American Fisheries Society  
EXCOM Teleconference  
February 6, 2007**

In attendance: Bob Hughes, Scott Bonar, Dave Ward, Joe Margraf, Eric Wagner, Keith Underwood (NPIC), Mike Reed (Oregon), Lori Martin (CO-WY), Jim Capurso (Idaho), Patrick Goddard (Bonneville), Jeff McLain (Cal-Neva), David Manning (Cal-Neva; 2007 Meeting Chair), Dave Lentz (Time and Place Committee), Kajsa Stromberg (Tributary Editor).

**Quorum Established**

Minutes from the January teleconference were approved.

**Treasurer's Report**

Secretary-Treasurer Dave Ward summarized the Division's expenditures and account balances. Expenditures and income remain on track.

Dave summarized the discussion held during the January teleconference regarding the proposed plan to re-distribute funds not expected to be needed in the checking account, but that should remain available in case of emergencies and would therefore not be appropriate for the Grant Endowment Fund. The plan calls for re-distributing these funds into 4, one-year CDs, so that one CD matures every 3 months, with the remaining funds kept in the savings account. Each of the four CDs and the savings account would eventually contain about \$10,000. The plan would take about one year to fully implement.

Past-President Joe Margraf moved that the plan be approved, and President-elect Eric Wagner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dave was asked to provide an update on the budget status of the Western Native Fishes Project to Jim Tilmant and Leanne Roulson.

**2007 Annual Meeting**

Dave Manning provided an update of the 2-6 September 2007 meeting to be held in San Francisco, co-hosted by the Parent Society, the Division, and the Cal-Neva Chapter. Dave requested that the Division provide \$7,500 to pay a deposit to the transportation company being used for the meeting. The Division has earmarked a total of \$10,000 for the meeting. Jeff McLain moved that the Division make the funds available, and Dave Manning seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting size is shaping up to be similar to the Anchorage meeting in terms of symposia and contributed papers.

## **2008 Annual Meeting**

Mike Reed and Dave Ward gave a quick update on the 2008 meeting, to be held May 4-8 in Portland, co-hosted by the Division and the Oregon Chapter. Mike moved and Dave seconded that the Division provide the Chapter \$1,200 in seed money for a meeting deposit. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Other**

Dave Lentz led a brief discussion on the Division's list serve, and will make a concerted effort to distribute requests expediently.

Lori Martin reported that the CO/WY student subunits were likely interested in helping to scan and transport the Western Division archives, but there has been no chance to confirm this yet. Lori requested that someone from the Division discuss protocols with volunteers before work actually begins.

President Bob Hughes reported that a draft manuscript from the Bull Trout Committee regarding the recently completed survey is nearing completion, and will likely be submitted for publication in *Fisheries*.

Two thousand DVDs of the cutthroat trout documentary will be produced for about \$2,500. Funds remaining after the DVDs are produced (about \$2,500) will be transferred to other Western Division accounts.

The next teleconference will be Tuesday, March 6 at 11:30 AM Pacific time.