



American Fisheries Society

Western Division

President Leanne Roulson, President-elect Lori Martin, Vice-president Dave Ward, Secretary-Treasurer Mary Buckman, Past-president Scott Bonar

Western Division ExCom Conference Call
June 9, 2010

Roll call: Leanne Roulson (President), Lori Martin (President-elect), Dave Ward (Vice-president), Mary Buckman (Secretary-Treasurer), Mark Pedersen (WA-BC), Rich Grost (OR), Mike Mills (UT), Scott Barnes (Montana). A quorum was established.

Minutes: Minutes for the April Western Division (WD) Excom meetings of April 19 and the May 13 were approved with edits. It was noted that assistance for the Western Native Fishes Project was provided by the University of the Redlands and was hired by the WD and that the correct name is the Meritorius (as opposed to Meritricious) Service Award. Additional edits with regards to spelling will be sent to the Secretary-Treasurer. Minutes of the WD Business meeting of April 21, 2010 were recommend to the membership for approval.

Budget: The budget report was presented. The current cash balance is \$64,824.88, including \$19,511.12 in the checking account and \$45,288.43 in laddered 1-year CDs. The current balance in the Grants Endowment Fund is \$163,643.1. Accounting for the Annual Meeting in Salt Lake City is not final, but it looks like profit may be between \$6K-8K.

California Hatchery Review: A large number of people were interested in serving on this review committee. Most were from California. Cal-Neva President Michelle Workman assembled most of the list and names were sent to Javier Linares of the Fish and Wildlife Service on or about Memorial Day. The list contained about 45 people and was presented as a list of those that were interested in participating. It was noted that the process could have more clear about the request to and expected response of WD.

Vice-president Candidates: Tina Swanson and Paul Barrett have agreed to be candidates. When we have their resumes and photos, Leanne will arrange and post the election on Survey Monkey. We may add a survey regarding student participation while the account is open.

Cal/Wyo Bylaw Amendment: Ira Adelman, the Constitutional Consultant, said the WD has to approve changes to chapter bylaws. The Chapter supported the change unanimously. The change refers to Rule 1, which was just distributed. It was moved and seconded to accept the Bylaw change and approved without dissent. Mary Buckman abstained.

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Mentee Nomination: A letter was drafted and will be sent to the Parent Society to nominate Shivonne Nesbit and Travis Neebling.

Grants Update: Nate Cathcart provided an updated proposal regarding sampling on the LaPoudre River with the requested information at the last Excom meeting. It was agreed that the outstanding questions and requests for information were addressed and all agreed that this project should be funded for \$1250, ½ now and ½ at completion and presentation of a report of work.

Procedures Manual: Progress is continuing. The Parent Society is putting together a "Survival Manual" to help officers and members understand their operations of the Parent Society.

New Business: Seattle 2011 Organizing Team met this morning. Dave Ward is in charge of planning the WD Business Lunch. We concluded a separate line item in the registration would be appropriate and recommend a charge of no more than \$15.00. We will work with the planners to determine an appropriate location and time for the business meeting.

The next call is scheduled for July 8, 2010.

Submitted by Mary Buckman, Secretary-Treasurer

Approved 7/8/2010