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President's Plan of Work

August 2015 – August 2016

1. Develop annual budget
 - a. Work with Travis and Hilda to put together a fiscally responsible budget
 - b. Look to increase travel scholarships, small grants where feasible, promote open periods for applications; improve instructions to meet application requirements.
2. Help an exceptional team organize a great WD AFS annual meeting in Reno (March 21-24)
 - a. Budget, committees, promotions, coordinate communications, social events, student involvement, travel scholarships.
 - b. Recruit symposium organizers to submit proposals with broad appeal
3. Find, compile, and work with Travis to get AFS resources on the WD AFS website
 - a. Conference calling; webinar; contract info with Helms-Brisco, Confex, and CMI; AFS Survival Guide, Safety Manual, Student how-to guides; Double-Dutch or new meeting app;
 - b. Work with AFS HQ to expand contracts to allow Division (and other Units) access to these resources.
4. Revise Procedure Manual (again)
 - a. Insert information re: Confex
5. Work with ICAFS and publish Unwritten Laws of Fisheries
 - a. Printed, electronic, or combination
 - b. Cost per copy – printing, to artist, to ASME
 - c. Sources of funding – Education Section
 - d. How to disseminate
6. Expand meeting metrics report
 - a. This is the direction that AFS is moving – being able to measure and report
 - b. Include
 - i. meeting registration fee breakdown
 - ii. Professional travel
 - c. Coordinate with AFS CEC and report successful/well attended Chapter CEC
7. “Why join AFS”
 - a. Prepare document that articulates the intangible benefits to joining AFS
 - i. Aimed at affiliate members, students, professionals
8. Continue WD advocacy efforts
 - a. Work with Chapters to identify where/when WD can provide support
 - b. Coordinate support from AFS Ex Director and Officers (GB?)
 - c. Signing such letters