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## AGENDA

**AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY**  
California-Nevada Chapter  
Annual Business Meeting  
Red Lion Inn, Redding, CA  
February 6, 1992, 5:30 P.M.

Call to Order - Larry Week

Verification of Quorum - Larry Week

Call for Reports from Representatives of the Parent Society and  
Western Division, AFS

President's Report - Larry Week

Secretaries Report - Chuck Knutson

A. Approval of Minutes - Annual Business Meeting, 1991

Treasurer's Report - Dave Lentz

### Committee Reports

- A. Membership - Jean Baldrige
  - 1. Cal-Neva/Humboldt Chapter membership split issue
- B. Bylaws and Nominations - Alan Baracco
- C. Finance - Tom Lambert
- D. Awards - Kevan Urquhart
- E. Newsletter - Nick Villa
- F. Policy and Resolutions - Seth Macinko
- G. Conservation - Pete Alexander
  - 1. Winter run chinook
    - a. Pending Lawsuit by the Sierra Club Legal Defense Fund on the Winter-Run Chinook (Tryg Svettland)
  - 2. Delta Smelt Update
  - 3. Humboldt Chapter White Paper on Status of North Coast Stocks (Pat Higgins)
  - 4. Upper Kings River Rotenone Issue
- H. Continuing Education - Susan Ellis
  - 1. Need for Course Facilitators
- I. Program - Tom Taylor
  - 1. Annual Meeting Update
- J. Local Arrangements - Ralph Hinton
- K. Exhibits - Steve Parmenter
- L. Sales of Merchandise - Chuck Knutson
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### Old Business

- A. Joint WDAFS/WAFWA 1993 Meeting in California - Goude

### New Business

- A. Dates and Locations for Future Annual Meetings



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## MINUTES

of the

Annual Business Meeting  
California-Nevada Chapter, American Fisheries Society  
Red Lion Inn, Redding, CA  
February 6, 1992

Call to Order: President Larry Week called the meeting to order at 1717 hrs.

EXCOM MEMBERS PRESENT: Larry Week (President), Don Erman (Past President), Tom Taylor (President-elect), Chuck Knutson (Secretary), David Lentz (Treasurer), Alan Baracco (Bylaws & Nominations), Jean Baldridge (Membership), Susan Ellis (Continuing Education), Nick Villa (Newsletter), Steve Parmenter (Exhibits), and Ralph Hinton (Local Arrangements)

Verification of Quorum: A total of 45 Chapter members were present, 25 more than the 20 required to conduct business.

Report from the Parent Society: Paul Brouha, Executive Director of the Parent Society, reported that AFS has 23 paid staff and a \$2 million annual budget. They have developed a long range plan to continue advancing the conservation, development and wise use of fishery resources. Advocacy for fishery resources is an AFS goal. He cited Stan Moberly's organization call FISH, which has joined fishery user groups together to save and improve fish habitat. He also explained the Fisheries Action Network, which has received a \$115,000 grant to hire new staff and conduct a fisheries leadership conference in Utah. Proceedings of this conference are being prepared which will set goals and future vision. John Harville has prepared a report, called "The Harville Report", which contains a National Fisheries Agenda. Chapters are being asked to help implement this action agenda to stop fish declines before its too late. Coordinating mechanisms need to be set up for various drainages; a good example is the Mississippi River, which runs through 29 different states. AFS was also instrumental in getting Wallop-Breaux reauthorized and will help protect other Acts, such as Endangered Species and Marine Mammals. AFS will continue to play a major role in the gathering and dissemination of technical information. AFS will reduce its role in publishing Fisheries News and symposiums. Journal of North American Fisheries Management will be more management oriented. Progressive Fish Culturist should have more subscribers, since aquaculture has expanded nationally. The first World Fisheries Conference will be in Athens, Greece, and more will likely be held in the future. The fishery certification process is being overhauled to require renewals. AFS is developing a continuing education program; Cal-Neva has

taken a leadership role in this area. The IAFWA has started Project Respect, which will increase professionalism of State fishery biologists. Some States provide very low pay. They are trying to inform governors when biologists do a good job and are working for better pay and budgets to get the job done. Leadership training is also being provided. AFS has had an advocacy role since 1871, when they lobbied for funds for fisheries programs.

Randy Bailey, vice president of the Western Division, AFS, stated that the advocacy issue is a very hot topic amongst western Chapters. He recommended that Cal-Neva Chapter continue being an advocate for the fishery resource. The Division is taking a strong stand against a Federal attempt to redefine wetlands; Chapters need to help with volunteers. Bailey is on the AFS membership committee and wants members to actively recruit new members to the Parent Society. He plans to approach the Cal-Neva EXCOM with action ideas for the next Division meeting. Cal-Neva is hosting the 1993 Division Meeting. Bailey is Program Chair and Cay Goude is Local Arrangements Chair. Chapter members are encouraged to participate and should bid for the National Meeting in 1997. Western Division is there to help. He also announced that there are a number of USFWS fishery position openings available in Alaska.

President's Report: Week stated that he was very proud of the activism in the Cal-Neva Chapter. There have been lots of letters sent out from the Chapter regarding fishery issues. He encouraged all members to become involved in Chapter affairs. He also called upon members to volunteer as course facilitators for the continuing education program.

Secretary's Report: Knutson reported that the last annual business meeting was held on February 7, 1991, at the Radisson Inn, South San Francisco. Minutes of this meeting were provided to EXCOM members for their review and 75 copies were provided at the registration table for interested Chapter members. Additions or deletions were requested, but none were recommended. It was then moved and seconded that the minutes be approved; passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Lentz reported that registration for the Eel River Symposium and preregistration for the annual meeting were high. The general Chapter checking account has a balance of \$22,145; the continuing education account has \$43,332; the Jim Schuler Fund has \$110; the Education Outreach Fund has \$30; and Conservation Committee Fund has \$60.

Membership: Baldrige reported on the Cal-Neva/Humboldt Chapter membership split issue. The parent society will accept only one chapter membership for an AFS member. A map was shown with a shaded area showed mixed membership in the two chapters. Members residing in the shaded area will be asked to choose between the Humboldt or Cal-Neva chapters. All are encouraged to join the

Parent Society as well as a Chapter. Efforts are also being made to recruit more women and minorities into AFS.

Bylaws and Nominations: Baracco reported that the Bylaws were revised in 1989 and he will provide a copy on request. He announced that Jennifer Nielson and Terry Mills have been elected Cal-Neva Chapter President-elect and Secretary, respectively.

Finance: No report.

Awards: Week reported that the Awards Committee would like to have a new award entitled, Chapter Award for Distinguished Professional Achievement, which would allow for an award to be given to a chapter member who has achieved sustained high quality fishery accomplishments over a long period of time. Erman moved that we adopt the award; the move was seconded and passed unanimously. Conservation Achievement Award winners for this year were Eldon Vestal and Pamela Romo; Special Contributions to the Chapter Award winners were Nick Villa and Monte Knudsen.

Newsletter: Villa reported that four issues of Pisces were published this year. The new Chapter logo has been added. We need a volunteer to take over as editor. Next deadline for Pisces is February 28, 1992.

Policy and Resolutions: No report.

Conservation: Tryg Sletteland reported on the winter-run chinook lawsuit against the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation. The Sierra Club Legal Defense Fund is representing the Sacramento River Council. Sletteland is an activist for fish, who is bringing together a strong coalition of fishing and environmental groups to work with Senator Bradley on legislation to change the way water is used. The lawsuit will make sure that the river temperature is 56 F through the summer and fall to benefit winter-run chinook and other anadromous fish. Joined with sport and commercial fishing groups, environmental groups, NMFS, USFWS, and CDFG to support these actions. Will also get Trinity County and the Hoopa Indian Tribe to join. He is waiting for USBR's prediction of water storage; contends that the USBR, not the farmers, is to blame for not following the law. He provided copies of a handout entitled "The Fish vs. People Fallacy" and blamed water-thirsty crops for water wastage. Protecting salmon has economic benefits to the people of California.

Keith Taniguchi reported the public comment period on the Delta smelt threatened listing closed on January 31, 1992. Attorneys are interested in Cal-Neva's letter supporting the listing. The USFWS has until early August to rescind or list the Delta smelt as threatened. Cay Goude commented that there are four groups working to come up with a list of actions to save the species. Taniguchi added that the Secretary of the Resources Agency Doug Wheeler has a committee structure composed of CDFG, DWR, USBR and USFWS to prepare management options. Erman stated that Chapter

member Camm Swift provided testimony for the Chapter to the State Water Resources Control Board in Southern California supporting the listing. Brouha recommended that we make sure the USFWS follows proper procedures.

Pat Higgins of the Humboldt Chapter passed out copies of a white paper entitled, "Stocks of Salmon, Steelhead and Cutthroat Trout of Northern California at Risk of Extinction". He would like to have Cal-Neva Chapter input by March 1, 1992. A copy was sent to Pete Alexander, Chair of the Chapter's Conservation Committee for review. Higgins also mentioned that Sacramento steelhead and San Joaquin River fall chinook should also be included in the white paper. The Board of Forestry wants AFS to comment on forest practices to avoid future controversies like the spotted owl issue.

Steve Parmenter reported that he wrote a letter for the President's signature in opposition to a CDFG Region 4 proposal to rotenone the Upper Kings River.

Continuing Education: Ellis reported that the Committee will hold four courses this year - Effective Communications, Aerial Photography, Expert Witness, and Natural Resource Damage Assessment. Course information was available at the registration desk. Several chapter members expressed support for a course catalogue as in the past; it helps for advance planning.

Program: Taylor reported that no major problems have occurred so far regarding the annual meeting. Preregistration was strong and the technical sessions reflected a wide array of organizations, but only six speakers were women. The banquet will likely be sold out.

Local Arrangements: Ralph Hinton reported no major problems and a good turnout.

Exhibits: Parmenter reported that six paid exhibitors were present at this meeting. Exhibitor fees help raise money for the Chapter and expose Chapter members to new technology.

Sales of Merchandise: Knutson reported that T-shirts with Cal-Neva logos were on sale for \$15 each during the three days of the conference.

Sacramento Subunit: No report.

#### Old Business:

Joint WDAFS/WAFWA 1993 Meeting in California - Cay Goude reported that Sandra Wolfe of CDFG was doing a good job cooperating with Cal-Neva on the planning. The joint meeting will be held during the week of July 21-27, 1993, at the Red Lion Inn, Sacramento. They are looking at the Sun Valley conference materials as a guide. Need Chapter volunteers to help out. The Western

Division wants to have a 50/50 split of revenues from the trade show. Knutson recommended that an art exhibit and continuing education classes be held at the conference. A discussion on whether or not to have a Cal-Neva annual meeting in 1993 took place; most agreed not to have one, but include a symposium and/or technical sessions during the joint conference. We could also meet jointly with the Humboldt Chapter. The EXCOM will take up this issue at its next meeting.

New Business:

Future Annual Meetings: Week requested that Chapter members come to the EXCOM with suggestions for dates and locations for the 1994 and 1995 annual meetings.

Equal Employment Opportunity Committee: Cay Goude requested that Chapter members join the committee. The membership fee is \$5. The Committee is working to get more women and minorities employed in the fisheries field.

Paul Brouha ended the meeting with an invitation to Chapter members to attend the Parent Society Annual Meeting this year in Rapid City, Iowa.

Larry Week adjourned the meeting at 1855.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Chuck Knutson, Secretary

## Revised Awards Proposal

It appears that we are not going to be able to award the Chapter's Award of Excellence as often as we used to, and that our members are not aware of its stringent selection criteria. The criteria for the award in our bylaws are as follows:

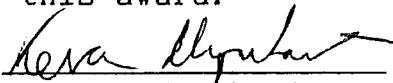
"The Chapter Award of Excellence recognizes a Chapter member (who must by definition be a member of the National AFS) for professional excellence in research, management, education, publication, or for outstanding contributions to the profession, the Society, or fisheries conservation."

However, the actual criteria applied to all past nominees is more along the lines of the following statement:

The Chapter Award of Excellence recognizes a Chapter and Parent Society member for exemplary depth and breadth of professional achievement in academia, government service, or consulting; combined with significant publications and/or conservation activities, and participation in Chapter activities. They must have achieved significant distinction on multiple fronts (professionally, scientifically, environmentally, and as a supporting Chapter volunteer). Those given this award should have achieved statewide recognition as a major authority or guiding force in California and/or Nevada fisheries management and science.

Many recent, and meritorious, award nominees do not even come close to these standards. Needless to say, neither will most of us in the course of our careers, but that is the point of having such a distinguished and prestigious award. In response to this, we made a new award called the "Chapter Award for Distinguished Professional Achievement".

I propose we make a bylaws change at the annual business meeting substituting the second description of the Chapter Award of Excellence for the one that exists in our bylaws to codify the actual criteria by which we have always been giving this award.

  
Kevan Urquhart  
Awards Committee Chairman



**ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING**  
**California-Nevada Chapter of the American Fisheries Society**  
**Red Lion Inn**  
**Sacramento, California**  
**July 27, 1993**

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Call-To-Order . . . . . Tom Taylor  
President

Verification of Quorum:

Report From The Parent Society  
Report From The Western Division

President's Report . . . . . Tom Taylor

Secretary's Report . . . . . Terry Mills

Treasurer's Report . . . . . Dave Lentz

Membership Report . . . . . Jean Baldridge

Bylaws and Nominations . . . . . Wayne Lifton

Finance . . . . . Gene Geary

Awards . . . . . Kevan Urquhart

Newsletter . . . . . Alan Baracco

Policy and Resolution . . . . . Seth Macinko

Conservation . . . . . Dennis McEwan

Continuing Education . . . . . Susan Ellis

Program . . . . . Jennifer Nielsen

Exhibits . . . . .

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Old Business . . . . .

New Business . . . . .



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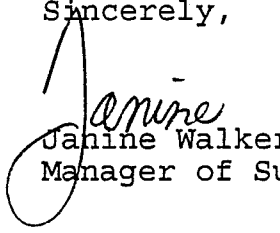
Larry Week, President  
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Dear Larry:

According to my records your Chapter changes officers in September/October. I have not received current officer information for your Chapter. Please fill out the attached form at your earliest convenience so that I may update my records. If possible, please fax it to me at (301) 897-8096.

As soon as I have compiled a new list of subunit officers I will send you a copy for your use.

Sincerely,

  
Janine Walker  
Manager of Subunit Services

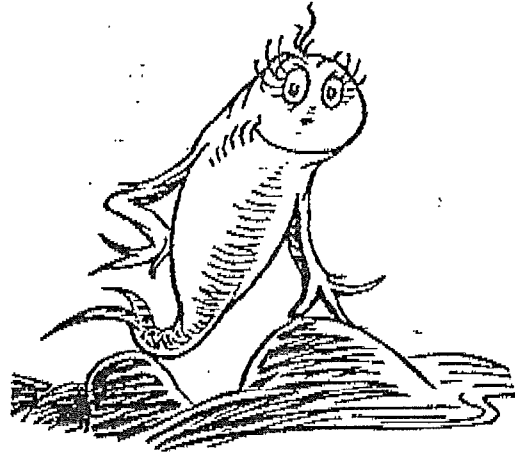
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**TO:**Janine Walker**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_**FROM:**Terry Mills**PHONE:**(916) 653-9642**DATE:**Oct 23, 1992**PAGE 1 OF**3**ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

Enclosed per your request to Tom Taylor  
is the updated list of officers for the Cal-Nev  
Chapter.

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CALIFORNIA-NEVADA CHAPTER, AFS, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE LIST  
(October, 23, 1992)

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(October, 23, 1992) Continued

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