



## California-Nevada Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Executive Committee Meeting

California Department of Water Resources  
3500 Industrial Blvd., Room 106, West Sacramento, CA  
20 August 2019 (6:00 pm – 7:30 pm)  
Call In: 916-574-2557

### Meeting Minutes

#### 1. Call to Order and Introductions

#### 2. Verification of Quorum

- 3 elected officers and 3 standing committee chairs
  - Officers: Steve Brumbaugh, Kathleen Berridge, Rob Titus, Jim Hobbs, Laurie Earley
  - Committee chairs: Gary Sprague, Jessica Wiesenfeld, Zach Bess, Sheena Holley, Lisa Thompson, Esther Tracy, Shawn Chase, Kelly Souza, Maddie Harden

#### 3. FOCUSED DISCUSSION AND NEW BUSINESS

- **Reno Chapter Related Business**

- **Business Meeting Agenda**

- Membership update (Kathleen to provide)
- Need to print materials: agenda, updates, budget
- Committee updates –Committee chairs provide bullets for PowerPoint slide, longer descriptions to Kathleen for meeting minutes
  - **Awards**
  - ~\$60-80 per placard, about 12 award recipients. No budget line for awards. Money could come from discretionary funds.
  - Motion: Allocate up to \$1,200 to awards. – Gary Sprague
  - Second: Rob Titus
  - Motion approved
  - Funds to come from projected meeting profit. If award recipients are not planning to attend conference, Cal-Neva can invite them to attend the business meeting.
  - **Chapter tasks at the Reno meeting**
  - Registration needs: Packet assembly, presence at booth. Registration opens Saturday. More info to come after local planning update in early Sep.
  - Photography needs: Camera and lighting to take pictures of business meeting, awards, social at Chapter level.
  - **Action Item**: Steve will look into availability DWR camera used for science events.

- Coordinate with Claire Ingel about volunteer responsibilities. Society vs Chapter volunteer lists and roles

- **September Meeting?** – Yes, Sep. 19th

#### 4. **Secretary Report – Kathleen Berridge**

- July meeting notes accepted.

#### 5. **Treasurer Report – Jim Hobbs**

- Account update as of the end July 2019:
  - Checking: \$92,626.95
  - Savings: \$38,771.82
  - Merrill Lynch: NATotal: NA
- Received check from National for \$4,450 for Chapter dues rebate. Not deposited and therefore, not reflected in ledger.
- Writing travel check reimbursements.

#### 6. **President Report – Steve Brumbaugh**

- **WDAFS Update**
  - Voted to provide financial support to Columbia Basin Transboundary Conference.
  - WD is looking for help planning the 2020 WD conference (Vancouver, B.C.).
- **Wrapping up governing board report by the end of the month.**

#### 7. **Past President Report – Laurie Earley**

- **Reno meeting planning and developing conference schedule**
  - Web schedule mismatched TWS schedule, Web schedule gets updated daily verse weekly

#### 8. **President-Elect Report – Rob Titus**

- **Reno Planning Highlights**
  - MOU outlines responsibilities of Parent Society, Hosting Chapter, and Hosting Division. Minimum Cal-Neva Chapter revenue is \$50,000.
  - Motion: Agree to MOU and Steve signs it – Laurie Earley
  - Second: Gary Sprague
  - Motion approved
  - 2 plenary sessions (Tue. & Wed.) - Climate Change themed
  - **Action Item**: Kelly will talk with Atlantis about keg “corkage” fee for business meeting

#### 9. **Time & Place – Kelly Souza**

- Thinking about future Chapter venue planning

#### 10. **Student Subunits Updates**, none present

- Sacramento-Davis – Arthur Barros**
- Humboldt State University – Michelle Loftus**
- Santa Cruz- Monterey Bay Area – Doriane Weiler**
- Other Student Updates**

#### 11. **Continuing Education – Brian Mahardja**, not present

**12. Conservation – Gary Sprague**, no update

**13. Communications – Lisa Thompson**

- Provide any announcement, if any, to Lisa
- Lisa will be unavailable, the week of Sep 9-13, cc Britt on any communication requests
- Britt updated student subunit officers on website

**14. Bylaws and Nominations – Ramona Swenson**, not present

**15. Membership – Vacant**

**16. Grants – Shawn Acuna**, not present

**17. Merchandise – Chris Parker**, not present

**18. Policy and Resolutions – Sheena Holley**

- Reaching out to Nationals about their response ESA changes

**19. Finance – Wayne Lifton**, not present

**20. Exhibits – Maddelyn Harden**

- Stepping down after committee chair after Reno meeting
- Reno Fundraising committee: fell short of \$100,000 goal with a total from headquarters and local arrangements of \$85,000

**21. Chapter Historian – Vacant**

**22. Diversity and Outreach – Esther Tracy**

- **Membership survey**
  - Deadline Sep. 1<sup>st</sup>
  - 53 participants: ~75.5% Caucasian, 11.3% Asian/pacific Islander, 7.5% Hispanic
  - 56.6% male, 39.2% female
- Member Mixer at The Barn Wednesday, Sep. 18, 6-9pm
- Fish Migration Day is in April 2020. Would like to host an event at Capital. Would need to include some money in draft budget for next calendar year.

**23. Awards – Zach Bess**

- See focused discussions above.

**24. Native Fish – Shawn Chase**

- 2nd annual event at Russian River was a success. 25 attendees for symposium, 20 attendees for camping and snorkeling.
- Beginning to plan next event.

**25. Unfinished Business**

**26. Next Meeting:**

- **September 19**

**27. Meeting to Adjourn: 7:48pm**