



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

Location: Zoom call meeting  
Date: November 17, 2022  
Time: 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM  
Call-in: Zoom

<b>1. Call to Order and Introductions</b> (Eva Bush) – 6:35
<b>2. Verification of Quorum</b> – Kathleen Berridge acted as secretary in Mollie’s absence for this meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● 3 elected officers: Matt Young, Eva Bush, Jose Setka, Miranda Bell-Tilcock</li><li>● 3 standing committee chairs: Kathleen Berridge, Chris Parker, Katie Osborn, Wayne Lifton, Zach Bess, Kelly Souza,</li><li>● Student Subunits: Haley Mapes (SLOC), Matea Djokic (UCI)</li></ul>
<b>3. Agenda Review</b> (Eva and ExComm) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Addition of new business, as applicable</li></ul>
<b>4. Focused Discussion/New and On-Going Business</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Snake River Dam Removal statement update<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Eva provided ExComm the latest version of statement</li><li>- WA and BC chapter presidents did not have concerns but want to send to general membership for major concerns</li><li>- Western Division received communication from AFS for Cal-Neva to sign onto RAWA support later to get RAWA signed before the change in congress. Cal-Neva has supported RAWA previously, no objections to support now.</li><li>- Western Division request for content. Photos due Dec 1.</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>5. Officer Updates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Secretary (Mollie Ogaz) – not present<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● October minutes approved.</li></ul></li></ul>

- Treasurer (Jose Setka)

- **Account Balances**

Bank of America Checking Balance as of 11/17/2022: \$56,121.39  
Bank of America Savings Balance as of 11/17/2022: \$38,788.03  
Merrill Lynch Balance as of 11/17/2022: \$163,051.37  
Total: \$257,960.79 (increase of \$11,739.98 over November 2022)

- Completed and filed Federal and State returns for tax year 2021
- 2020 tax year saga continues
- Prepping budget material for annual retreat
- Working to get student subunit their annual funds
- **Action Item**: Kelly to reach out to student subunits for address and bank info.

- President (Eva Bush)

- WDAFS Update

- Working on mission statement to reflect more of the national statement.
- Student activities and colloquium at different time. Usually in August which is not a good time for students. Student representative is going to survey students for better timing.
- Review procedures manual for committee chairs.
- DEI chair is looking for a Co-chair.
- Voted to give Pacific Islands Chapter start-up funds from WD because they have just started chapter and there are associated costs (travel, outreach, etc).
- WD meeting in Boise, ID at Boise Center May 7-11, 2023. Reg is \$425, students \$100.
- Designing a new logo using National Guidelines. Think about if Cal-Neva wants to update logo.
- Western Division native fish database is complete.

- ExComm Retreat will be **December 4, 2022 at 10am-5pm** with Zoom option.

- Kelly found space in the CDFW building in West Sacramento. Address is 1010 Riverside Parkway, West Sacramento, CA 95605.

- Meetings schedule:

- WD: 2023 Boise, 2024 HI with Society, 2025 Colorado/Wyoming, 2026 Arizona/New Mexico (possibly)

- Past President (Matt Young)

- Drafted updates to Chapters strategic plan and sent to key folks for review. **Action Item**: Matt will send to ExComm before Retreat for review and comment before retreat.

- President-Elect (Miranda)

- Update Annual Meeting – going well. Food, merchandise, fish prints and continuing ed coming along well.
- Working on plenary speakers. Have 2 of targeted 3 speakers. **Action Item**: Miranda to coordinate lodging needs and bio information for plenary speakers.
- **Action item**: Matea to look into spawning run/walk route.
- Next planning meeting Dec. 8 at 6:15pm

## 6. Student Subunit Updates

- Santa Cruz Monterey Bay Area (Emily Nazario) – not present
  - new bank account, we had a successful social kick-off event in October, and will be collaborating with a local nonprofit on a beach clean-up in early December.
- UC Davis/Sacramento (Caroline Newell) – not present
  - Hosted booth at Winters salmon festival (Matt)
  - Fast Fish Friends in Davis 11/17/22 from 6:30-9pm in Davis (Miranda)
- Humboldt (Z Zenobia) – not present
- UC Irvine (Matea Djokic)
  - Hosted student research panel.
  - Hosted professional research panel. Matt Young and Anna Steel presented. Matea received good feedback.
  - Participated in Orange County Coast Keeper beach clean up. Plan to participate quarterly.
  - Events are slow with end of quarter and UC strike, will pick up in January 2023.
- San Luis Obispo County (Hayley Mapes)
  - New website: [www.slocafs.wordpress.com](http://www.slocafs.wordpress.com)
  - Haley spoke at Cuesta College and received good feedback
  - We have also held elections, officers are:  
President - Hayley Mapes  
Vice President/PR: Nicholas Vu  
Secretary-Treasurer: Zoey Dale

## 7. Committee Updates

- Time and Place (Kelly Souza)
  - Kelly hasn't heard back from Long Beach Aquarium
  - Kelly hasn't heard back from Hilton AV person
  - Thinks we should invest in screens because they are expensive to rent for 1 day.
  - Not much progress on 2024 planning. Back in northern CA, possibly Chico. It's helpful, sometimes required to have a professor to sponsor for space at universities. Let Kelly know if anyone has other ideas of location. Some ideas Truckee, South Lake Tahoe, Redding, Chico...

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Continuing Education (Cynthia LeDoux Bloom) – not present</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Conservation (Gary Sprague), not present and no update</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Communications (Kathleen Berridge)                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Website updates: Added Aug and Sep meeting minutes, update student subunit info including Cal Poly SLO new website</li> <li>- Sent call for proposals to several college Ecology departments to email list serves. Confirmed distribution from UCLA and UCD</li> <li>- Will continue to share and promote student subunit events on social media</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Bylaws and Nominations (Ramona Swenson) – not present, no update</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Grants (Shawn Acuña) – not present</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Merchandise (Chris Parker)                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Looking into T-shirts for free registration shirt. In response to merch survey from 2022 meeting, Chris is looking for ways for people to choose other limited styles, if they don't want the free style but there will be an additional cost at registration.</li> <li>- Putting in order for water bottles for spawning run.</li> <li>- <b>Action Item:</b> Kelly to check in with JT and make list of Cal-Neva equipment (computers, screens, posters, projectors, etc.) and costs to review at the Dec retreat.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Exhibits/Fundraising (Andrew Hampton) – not present</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Finance (Wayne Lifton) – no update</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Policy and Resolutions (Vacant)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Chapter Historian (Jim Hobbs) – not present</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Awards (Zach Bess) –                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Will discuss marine award at Dec retreat</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Outreach and Diversity (Katie Osborn)                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Attended WD DEI meeting. WD suggested Chapters include language in awards to include criteria that nominees have promoted culture of DEI in fisheries. Ways to promote DEI at meetings. Alaska chapter provides closed captions for presentations and reserves 1<sup>st</sup> row seating for hearing impaired. Alaska also provides free registration for tribal members and 1<sup>st</sup> generation college students.</li> <li>- Another idea is to move forward with all hybrid meetings. Great idea, is a lot of work which takes more people and planning. Matt noted we had more tribal involvement with virtual meeting.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Native Fishes (Damon Goodman) – not present</li> </ul>
<p><b>Next Meeting: Annual Retreat Dec 4, 2022 – 10am-5pm</b></p>
<p><b>ADJOURN – 8:38</b></p>