

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

Location: Zoom call meeting

Date: January 19, 2023

Time: 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Call-in: see Zoom invitation sent on 1/17

## **Meeting Minutes**

- 1. Call to Order and Introductions
- 2. Verification of Quorum (Mollie Ogaz) -
  - 3 elected officers and 3 standing committee chairs
    - o Elected officers: Eva Bush, Jose Setka, Mollie Ogaz, Miranda Tilcock,
    - Standing committee chairs: Cynthia Le Doux-Bloom, Christina Parker, Gary
      Sprague, Kathleen Berridge, James Hobbs, Zachary Bess, Damon Goodman,
      Wayne Lifton,
    - o Student sub-units: Caroline Newell, Emily Nazario, Michelle Heim
- 3. Agenda Review (Eva and ExComm)
- 4. Officer Updates
  - Secretary (Mollie Ogaz)
    - o 139 members as of January 13, 2023
    - November and December 2022 Minutes approved
  - Treasurer (Jose Setka)
  - Account Balances
    - o Bank of America Checking Balance as of 1/17/2023: \$53,267.88
    - o Bank of America Savings Balance as of 1/17/2023: \$38,788.68
    - o Merrill Lynch Balance as of 1/17/2023: \$168,498.45
    - Total: \$257,960.79 (increase of \$2,594.22 over November 2022)
  - Notes:

- Completed and filed Federal and State returns for tax year 2021
- 2020 tax year situation resolved with no penalty
- President (Eva Bush)
- Past President (Matt Young)
  - Not able to attend, no updates
- President-Elect (Miranda Bell Tilcock)
  - Abstracts are in- lots of both posters and oral presentations
    - Will need concurrent sessions
  - Need to register before early bird (committee)
  - Lots of interest from SoCal
  - Small room block for 2/28?
    - List options on the website or just let them figure it out themselves- table until registration is more solidified
  - Check in with Matea about Spawning Run route
  - Christina will supervise poster set up and tear down
  - Miranda has already made the program
- 5. Student Sub-Unit Updates
  - Santa Cruz Monterey Bay Area (Emily Nazario)
    - o 2 members interested in travel funds- will follow up with them
    - Planning seminar series in spring
      - Taking nominations for speakers
  - Davis/Sacramento (Caroline Newell)
    - Travel request is in- over asked for airfare
    - o Social with professionals for career development next Feb .8
    - Potential for practice conference
  - Humboldt (Michelle Heim)
    - 40 new people joined last semester
    - Meet first Monday of each month
    - Fishing trips to teach people to fish

- Let Jose know who and how to send the subunit check to
- Irvine (Matea Djokic)
  - Not present
- San Luis Obispo County (Hayley Mapes)
  - Not present
- 6. Committee Updates
  - Time and Place (Kelly Souza)
    - o Part of Long Beach convention for restaurant discounts
      - Will include in the program
  - Continuing Education (Cynthia Le Doux-Bloom)
    - Everything on track for cont ed events
    - Fish workshop times- Miranda is emailing to clarify
  - Conservation (Gary Sprague)
    - Snake river dam removal statement is out
    - o No movement on Recovering America's Wildlife Act
    - Resigning at the end of this term
  - Communications (Kathleen Berridge)
    - Keeping up with social media posts on the build up to the meeting
      - More social media interaction
      - Move more toward information dissemination
  - Bylaws and Nominations (Ramona Swenson)
    - Nominations needed!
    - Will be moving on from this committee after this election
  - Grants (Shawn Acuña)
    - Not present
  - Merchandise (Chris Parker)
    - Need to order spawning run water bottles
    - Gift Is a ticket to the aquarium
  - Exhibits/Fundraising (Andrew Hampton)

- Waiting on donations
- Figure out tables
- Raffle- high value items to spice it up a little more?
  - Bruce donating prints and shirts and cards
  - Kayak connections?
- Beer donations- can bring our own donated kegs
  - Beer and wine connections from the valley
- Finance (Wayne Lifton)
  - Long range planning and gifts
  - o Will get together with Jose
- Policy and Resolutions (Vacant)
- Chapter Historian (Jim Hobbs)
  - No updates
- Awards (Zach Bess)
  - 1 nomination- marine
- Outreach and Diversity (Katie Osborn)
  - Not present, no updates
- Native Fishes (Damon Goodman)
  - Big Chico Creek passage
- 7. Next meeting: February 16, 2023

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