

California Nevada Chapter



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

Location: Zoom

Date: June 20, 2024

Time 6:30-8:00

1. Call to Order (6:30)
2. Verification of Quorum (Mollie,)
 - a. 3 elected officers: Mollie, Miranda, Eva, Christina
 - b. 3 standing committee chairs: Cynthia le Doux-Bloom, Jim Hobbs, Wayne Lifton, Zachary Bess
 - c. Subunits
3. Agenda Review (ExCom)
 - a. Addition of new business if applicable
4. Officer Updates:
 - a. Secretary (Mollie Ogaz)
 - i. Current membership: 238
 - ii. Vote on the meeting minutes
 1. March: approved
 2. April Business meeting: approved
 - b. Treasurer (Tommy Agosta - update from Chris)

Here is the treasurer's report for June 2024.

Account Balances

Bank of America Checking Balance as of 6/17/2024: \$71,000.12

Bank of America Savings Balance as of 6/17/2024: \$38,795.33

Merrill Lynch Balance as of 6/17/2024: \$193,568.06

Total: \$303,363.51 (+65,383.48 From May 2024)

Investment account change (From May 2024): +\$2,779.21

Checking account change (From May 2024): +\$62,603.94

We received \$59,098.12 from Whova at the end of last month. This was income from the annual meeting and explains the big gain in our checking account.

Other updates:

- 1) Our sales tax is due July 31st 2024. We will pay tax on Merchandise and silent auction sales. So we will pay CA sales tax on a total of \$1,080. Does that sound correct? New CPA will file this for us. Just as a reminder our 2023 Federal/State Tax returns are due November 15th. I am in the process of getting our CPA (Nelson and Associates) the information they need to fill out this return.
- 2) I spoke with our CPA and since the student subunits don't have their own FEIN we are responsible for reporting their financial transactions on our returns. The Excomm had a meeting to discuss how to best get the information from the subunits. We put together templates that Miranda will send out to the subunits ASAP. (sent 6/19)
- 3) It was discussed that we should use this opportunity as a reset to better engage with the subunits and provide better oversight/support.

c. President (Miranda)

Reminder to put ideas or sign up to be the coordinator for a small event

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1A7w5l6j2K01Cu-MW69yYl1RQO5f6kzvTMXEC/Pw-d0os/edit?usp=sharing>

Looking for suggestions for happy hour during BDSC near the convention center

Really need to replace Kelly (time and place) and Ramona (nominations/bylaws)

- i. **Matt** follow up on these- where do you need help?
 1. More communication with student subunit faculty advisors

2. overview powerpoint of roles and responsibilities (or a duty statement?)
 - a. help with continuity with turnover
 3. add to student chapter section (section 3) of the procedures manual?
 - a. add the new subunits (there are currently only 3)
 - b. list of committees somewhere?
 4. **Miranda** to ask Western Division
 - ii. Reach out to incoming officers for photos for website update before September
 - d. Past President (Eva)
 - i. No update
 - e. President Elect (Christina)
 - Moving storage to an indoor facility
 - talked to Luis at clear lake
 - he is comfortable running the native fishes event solo, with a afs liaison (March or April next year)
 - waiting for student subunits to get back on reimbursements to finalize conference financials
 - \$21,000 current net profit (excluding students)
 - have a spreadsheet with breakdown of costs by category to understand our costs more in future planning- will share after all finalized to the shared drive
5. Student Subunit Updates
- a. Sac/Davis (Alexandra Ginez)
 - i. fish art spring event- over 40 people attended, going to do again next year
 - ii. getting expenses for taxes together
 - iii. in process of officer nominations- will be through by the end of the month
 - b. SCMBAS (Paige Gardner)
 - i. about her: 2nd year phd at Santa Cruz, was VP last year
 - ii. hoping to boost undergrad involvement and more of the Monterey Bay
 - c. Humboldt Cal Poly (James)
 - i. not present
 - d. SLOC (Haley for a few more months)
 - i. not present
 - e. UCI (Sam)
 - i. not present
6. Committee Updates (3 min each)

- a.—Time & Place - Kelly (when is last day?)
 - i. no chair, but where is the next meeting?
 1. Lodi is a potential venue for next year
 2. Cynthia will connect with JD Weikert to see if he will take on time and place for this next conference only located in Lodi
- b. Continuing Education
 - i. printed out eval results segregated by workshop and field tour
 - ii. 40 participants in CE
 - iii. made around \$3,000
 - iv. All of these materials should go into the shared folder of CE- Miranda will add these
- c. Awards (Zach)
 - i. no updates
- d. Communications (Kathleen)
 - i. not present
- e. Policy and Resolutions (Maddelyn)
 - i. not present
- f. Conservation (Dave)
 - i. no updates
- g. Bylaws & Nominations
- h. Grants (Shawn)
 - i. not present
- i. Outreach & Diversity (Ali Chu)
 - i. not present
- j. Merchandise (Kim & Matea)
 - i. not present
- k. Exhibits/Fundraising (Andrew)
 - i. not present
- l. Finance (Wayne)
 - i. no updates
- m. Native Fishes

Next meeting July 18, 2024

Sushi: TBD, Mir will email