



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

Location: Zoom/CDFW office in West Sacramento: 1010 Riverside
Parkway, West Sacramento, CA

Date: June 18, 2026

Time: 5:30-7:15 pm

1. Call to Order and Introductions
2. Verification of Quorum
 - a. 3 Elected officers: Kim Luke, Matea Djokic, Christina Parker
 - b. 3 Standing committee chairs: Wayne Lifton, Zach Bess, Jim Hobbs
 - c. Sub-units:
 - d. Other attendees:
3. Agenda Review (ExComm)
 - Suspicious charges on accounts from May and June

Officer Updates

- a. Secretary (Marzia Fattori)
 - i. Current membership as of 6/15/2026: 298 members (up 6 from May)
 - ii. April meeting notes were sent to Zach for publication on 6/15/2026
 - iii. May meeting notes were sent to ExComm for review on 6/15/2026. Edits submitted by Christina have been incorporated in the document.
 - iv. Vote on meeting minutes for May ExComm Meeting.
 1. _Chris__ motions to pass meeting notes as written, _Kim__seconds.
- b. Treasurer (Asha)
 - i. Account balances :
 1. Bank of America Checking Balance as of 6/15/2026: \$36,593.96
 2. Bank of America Savings Balance as of 6/15/2026: \$58,803.98
 3. Merrill Lynch Balance as of 6/15/2026: \$246,000.40

4. Total: \$341,398.34 (+\$6,139.51 from 5/18/2026)
 5. Investment account change (+\$7,417.16 from 5/18/2026)
 6. Checking account change (-\$1,278.15 from 5/18/2026)
- ii. Spent - For what checking account money was spent on see below: (include photo)

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
Date	Description	Description	Income/Expense	Type	General Category	Detailed Category	Amount	Receipt Filed	Annual Budget Category
5/26/2025	TSTRAKU SUSHI - WEST \$ 169.02 PURCHASE West Sacramento CA DEBIT CARD 6411	EtCommFood	Expense	Regular	Chapter Meeting	EtCommFood	-231.77		EtComm-Monthly Meeting
5/26/2025	CCTCONSTANT CONTACT 05/24 PURCHASE 055-228508 NA DEBIT CARD 6411	Constant Contact	Expense	Regular	Software	Constant Contact	-62.00		Email Pioses newsletter (Constant Contact)
5/26/2025	AMAZON DIGIT 10/22 REQ 05/25 PURCHASE VVVV AMAZON.DD VA DEBIT CARD 6411						-8.99		
6/8/2025	CCTCONSTANT CONTACT 06/02 PURCHASE 055-228508 NA DEBIT CARD 6411	Constant Contact	Expense	Regular	Software	Constant Contact	-596.40		Email Pioses newsletter (Constant Contact)
6/8/2025	HELP.HBOMAX.COM PURCHASE HELP.HBOMAX.COM NA DEBIT CARD 6411						-10.99		
6/8/2025	HELP.HBOMAX.COM PURCHASE HELP.HBOMAX.COM NA DEBIT CARD 6411						-219.00		

iii. Other updates (Asha)

- 1) Asha will need to follow up with the secondary form for the raffle before the end of the year (planning on doing this concurrently with taxes).
- 2) Asha will work on treasurer's guidance documents
- 3) Constant contact charged us twice this month! Once for \$62 and then another for \$596.40. I think I remember someone mentioning that we were switching over to an annual charge, but I wanted to flag this just in case.
- 4) There are a couple of items in the "Spent since last meeting_June2026" that I will need help identifying
 - 5/26: Amazon digital purchase for \$8.99 – is this a recurring charge for something? We have the exact same charge for 4/27
 - 6/8: Two charges for HELP.HBOMAX.COM - \$10.99 and \$219

iv. Other updates (Christina)

1. Replaced debit card due to fraudulent charges mentioned above
2. All charges previously going to 6411 will need to be updated (this may include storage unit and constant contact)

v. Other updates: **to revisit from May meeting notes**

1. Asha and Matea are still working out the kinks in the finalized budget from the Annual Meeting. Kim looked into the budget, and noticed in the budget that it doesn't include all the workshops and the price, just

showing people that signed up for the workshop separately and the prices, but it doesn't show the balance. A separate meeting should be held to discuss this matter.

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- 4.

c. President (Kim Luke)

i. Chapter

1. Debit card was compromised along with Chris's, got a new one this week.

ii. Society

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iii. WD

- 1.

d. Past President (Chris)

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e. President Elect (Matea)

- i. Worked with Kim, Chris, and Asha on the budget reconciliation. Still not quite there. Will work with Kim next weekend to figure it out.

4. Student Subunit Updates ([society subunits page](#))

a. Sac/Davis (Alexandra Ginez/John Isla)

- i. AFS Craft night went very well! Had a lot of outreach opportunity
- ii. Elections are over! I am looking forward to another year with AFS!
- iii. Excited to have some new officers join for the upcoming year
- iv. Planning for our summer free fishing day, but otherwise will be a light next couple months

b. SCMBAS (Santa Cruz Monterey Bay Area Subunit) (Paige Gardner/Abbie Ward)

- i. We had a great end of the year wrap up with officer elections, a documentary screening, finishing up our FINS seminar series, and an end of the year celebration in collaboration with other local clubs. We have three new executive

committee officers joining us for the next school year! For the summer, we'll be taking some time off, planning a bit for the coming year, and getting new officers acquainted with their positions.

c. Humboldt Cal Poly (Emily/Lennox)

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d. SLOC (Hayley)

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e. UCI (Elias Zamora)

- i. We had a great end of the year with our whale watching trip (with the help of AFS subunit funds) seeing many species of dolphins, minke whales, and seabirds. We also hosted our end of the year picnic social in Aldrich Park with Blaze Pizza and Fish Bingo.
- ii. We found people to fill every position for UCI subunit board. Elias leaving president position but will still be around to support next year as Graduate Liaison and also help out with CalNeva excom. New board emails will be sent out soon. The new president after me is Abigail Lau.
- iii. Alex Ai (treasurer) has completed the AFS account funds updates on the account spreadsheet. Elias will be sending out the UCI financial report to Asha soon.
- iv. We'll be taking a break for the summer but will start meeting again as we approach the new school year to talk about Fall Quarter. Elias will help Abigail with the subunit registration process with UCI COVP and also help others get adjusted to their new positions.

5. Committee Updates

i.

a. Continuing Education (Jesse)

- i. Need ideas for conference
 1. Field trips
 - 2.

b. Policy and Resolutions (Karina)

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- c. Conservation (Dave)
 - i.
- d. Bylaws & Nominations (Abigale Deen)
 - i.
- e. Grants and Travel Awards (Matea)
 - i. Opened travel grant awards solicitation - so far, only have one response from Muhammad.
 - ii. Soliciting people to review grant applications - review period is from June 26 to July 10.

- f. Historian (Jim)

Putting this update here since I am the one that set up the Facebook Page and Group

Cal-Neva has a Facebook Page and Facebook Group.

Facebook Page - Think of the Page as the organization's official website within Facebook. The organization controls all content – Hobbs is the administrator since he set it up. Followers can comment, but they generally cannot create new posts.

Advantages of keeping the Page

- Official voice of Cal-Neva AFS
- Professional appearance for prospective members
- Easy place to direct people looking for the Chapter
- Good archive of announcements and accomplishments
- Less moderation effort because only admins create posts

Disadvantages

- Often lower engagement
- Mostly one-way communication

Can become stagnant if not updated regularly

Facebook Group - A Group is more like an online discussion forum where members can share content etc. The value of a Group comes from member participation rather than administrator posts.

Advantages of keeping the Group

- Much higher member engagement
- Builds a professional network
- Allows rapid sharing of opportunities
- Encourages younger professionals and students to participate

- Can become a valuable fisheries community resource

Disadvantages

- Requires active moderation
- Potential for spam or off-topic posts
- Posts may not reflect official Chapter positions
- Discussions can become contentious without clear rules

Hobbs Recommendation - Given we only have 40 or so followers of the Page and over 500 for the Group, and the confusion it might cause to have both with different content, I recommend we take down the Page. The advantage of the Page is largely mirrored with the website and the Newsletter.

- i.
- g. Outreach & Diversity (Open)
 - i.
- h. Merchandise (Kim & Matea)
 - i.
- i. Exhibits/Fundraising (Andrew)
 - i.
- j. Finance (Wayne)
 - i.
- k. Native Fishes (Dylan)
 - i.
- l. Student Liaison (Matt Young and Matea)
 - i.
- m. Targeted discussion agenda
 - i. Society level AFS fishing buddy program has launched! Let's get more CA engagement!
 - ii. As mentioned earlier we are still figuring out the budget from Chico, but we made 30K give or take 3K.
 - iii. Deposit was paid for Lake Natoma Inn, I'm working on a video for the announcement this weekend.
 - iv. Jesse's CE flyer is almost ready to be shared
 - v. I (Kim) dropped ball on the grant proposal, but now that we have a time & place person we can really start to think about the conferences over the next few years and have a year to build a proposal.

n. Other?

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o. Next meeting: July 16, 5:30-7:15 pm

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