

Oregon Chapter American Fisheries Society
ExCom Conference Call, 18 July 2007 Minutes

Present were: Past President Barry McPherson, President Mike Reed, President-Elect Doug Young, Secretary-Treasurer Ian Reid, Internal Director Neil Ward, Vice President Tom Friesen, incoming Secretary-Treasurer Julie Firman, incoming Internal Director Martyne Reesman, Webmaster Kara Anlauf.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

Minutes—All

All previous ExCom minutes have been approved up to February 2007. The remaining minutes still needing final editing and approval are March and April. ExCom was asked to review these and send Ian any final edits.

Treasurer's report—Ian

Current Balances (as of 18 July 2007):

Checking:	\$44,531.12
Coastal Cutthroat:	\$12,631.11
Savings:	\$50.28
Northwest Fish Culture Conference (NWFCC, as of 7/11/2007):	\$4,506.33
Money Market (as of 3/30/2007)	\$68,562.55

Ian has deposited checks from U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Vancouver office and the final check from OSU conference services for the annual meeting. With these checks we should have made all deposits and payments related to the 2007 annual meeting, with the possible exception of a BPA sponsorship that Mike is going to look into. A check for \$7,900 was written out of the NWFCC account.

External Committee Report—Mike

Executive Committee Liaison: Jeremiah Osborne-Gowey will take on this short term 3-month position to examine emerging issues ORAFS could be involved with. This position could result in position statements and white papers and reinvigoration of external committees. If you have ideas of topics for Jeremiah to address, send them to Mike Reed. Barry suggested a review of proposed wave energy facilities off the Oregon coast and in-river propeller systems as an emerging issue.

2008 Annual Meeting—Neil

The first call for papers is in mid-September. Notices will come out in the Tributary and be advertised at the September National Meeting in San Francisco. Invasive species will be a symposium and the mussel symposium is also coming along. Interest is high from

Western Division chapters outside of Oregon Chapter. If people have session ideas get in touch with Neil ASAP. Also a coalition of Western urban planning agencies is interested in convening a session related to Western states population growth. Workshops are also coming together well. Electrofishing and watershed restoration are two already planned. Membership is being polled to determine what workshops will be of interest to AFS members.

A session at a glance thumbnail is available to view. There likely will be 8-10 concurrent sessions.

Need to get articles from summer Piscatorial Press in to Neil by Friday, 27 July (they were originally due in late June). The spring newsletter is out on the web. Ian will look to see if he has a list of members and send to Kara if it has the email addresses.

Mike is still working on 2007 actual income and expenditures and a 2008 proposed budget. He needs additional info from ExCom. The 2008 Joint ORAFS/WDAFS Annual Meeting budget has been approved.

There is \$4,500 encumbered in the NWFCC account for Doug Olson and about \$5,000 encumbered in the inland redband trout account. Also ORAFS is still managing the Coastal Cutthroat Trout account for Doug Young.

The Western Oregon lamprey workshop is still coming along.

Martyne and Neil inspected the Bend Riverhouse convention center and it looked like a potential option for 2009. Some potential limitations: bringing in own beer, paying corkage fee, and lodging. There are only about 120 rooms (of over 200) offered at Government rate. There are several other nearby hotels that are within walking distance.

Updates on POVA (Portland Oregon Visitors Association) marketing: Mike.

POVA wants to work with ORAFS on the WD 2008 meeting. We should use POVA to promote Oregon as a vacation destination for people to come to after the meeting. Neil will also be in attendance with Mike.

The next ExCom meeting is 22 August, 1-3:30 p.m. The September retreat will possibly be postponed to October due to people's busy schedules.

This meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ian S. Reid, Secretary-Treasurer