

Oregon Chapter American Fisheries Society
ExCom Conference Call, 20 June 2007
Final Minutes approved by ExCom on 27 July 2007

Present were: Past President Barry McPherson, President Mike Reed, Internal Director Neil Ward, Vice President Tom Friesen, External Director Brad Houslet, President-Elect Doug Young, incoming Secretary-Treasurer Julie Firman, and Administrative Assistant Danielle Warner.

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 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 15 May 2007):

Checking:	\$42,319.34
Coastal Cutthroat:	\$12,631.11
Savings:	\$50.26
Northwest Fish Culture Conference (NWFCC, as of 5/9/2007):	\$12,410.33
Money Market (as of 3/30/2007)	\$68,562.55

Ian has worked on finalizing the 2007 annual meeting budget. He needs to work with Neil on some discrepancies in the Hilton bill. It appears we have netted about \$20,400 from the annual meeting with up to \$4,000 still to be collected from OSU and other sponsors.

WDAFS Investment Fund: Long term investment that reinvests profits. We can withdraw at any time. Some risk of short term loss. ORAFS believes we need to diversify investments. Ian recommended that we invest \$10,000 into the WDAFS Investment Fund, keep the other \$50,000 in current investment.

Motion: Invest \$10,000 into the WDAFS Investment Fund. Seconded and passed.

Mike will contact Dave Ward to follow up with this investment.

NW Fish Culture conference monies that have been encumbered by the Chapter were discussed. Need to know current status. Question: Are we to hold for the duration? Can we close out?

Cutthroat trout symposium funds from USFWS – Current expectation are to use to pay for cost of proceedings. Remaining funds will to future coastal cutthroat symposia.

Inland rainbow trout workshop proceedings – Understanding that \$5,000 encumbered in the ORAFS account was spent done at the annual meeting. Mike will check with Kirk Schroeder and Jim Hall.

Administrative Assistant Report—Tom

Danielle has finalized the spring newsletter. Outstanding items include final invoices, property transfer (to happen in a couple of days) to Doug Olson's office in the USFWS Vancouver office including artwork, boxes of materials

Doug Young suggested a storage locker for the next two months. Barry mentioned that the Chapter's historian, Steve Smith, use to hold chapter information but that wasn't realistic for the long term. It was suggested that Mary Buckman could be approached as the chapter's historian.

OSU's on-line registration sent the last payment owed to the Chapter. Doug received advice from ExCom on mechanisms to cancel contract with OSU.

Spring newsletter should be placed on the website as soon as possible. The ExCom is stopping the distribution of hard copies. All will be sent electronically from now on. Articles for the summer edition should be sent to Neil by June 29th.

External Committee report – Brad

Legislative bills are rolling through with little controversy. No action has been recommended, although Hiram Li has offered some ideas. Jeremiah Osborne-Gowey has agreed to serve as Legislative liaison (title has changed to External Committee liaison).

Kara Anlauf is the Chapter's new webmaster (Kara.Anlauf@oregonstate.edu). Brad committed to review of website content and structure, and begin updates and edits.

2008 Annual Meeting

Charlie Corrarino, ODFW, has been working with the 2008 AM planning sub-committee. A variety of interesting and timely symposia are being proposed with 10 at last count.

Still anticipating \$25,000 profits with 500 participants minimum.

We are planning to cancel Sunriver in 2009 and seeking an alternative venue. We love Sunriver, but have outgrown these facilities.

Miscellaneous

Outstanding invoices need to be followed up with USFWS and BPA.

Lamprey workshop will be supported by the OR Chapter. Bianca Streif, USFWS, will coordinate the workshop.

Sponsorship ideas? Send to Neil.

Mike indicated he needed to review, update and present the 5 year Strategic Plan at ExCom's May retreat, and to begin work on 2007-08 work plan.

Future meetings

July 18th, 1-3:30

August 15, 1-3:30.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Reed, President