

## Executive Board Meeting Minutes

June 5th, 2017 1PM via conference call

### **Attendees**

Ryan Diener (past president)

Brad Jump (president)

Chuck Anderson (president elect)

Shelly Colatskie (secretary)

### **Absent**

Allison Leisenring (treasurer)

Jesse Tapp (Board Member)

Brad opened the meeting at 1:00pm and took roll call.

### **Old Business:**

Brad moved to approve the executive minutes from the April 2017 meeting. Only correction was to correct the spelling on Bruce Sassman's last name (which I made note for folks to correct me). Corrections on spelling were made. Brad asked to approve minutes; Chuck made a motion and Ryan seconded the motion to approve the April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 executive board meeting minutes.

Ryan made a deposit into the account: from the gun raffle and clay shoot (\$485 for the Chambers scholarship account). Also transferred \$100 into the chambers account (from previous sales). Ryan will get with Allison and determine what money has not been transferred yet from our TWS account to the Chambers account. The gun is well paid off, as we already have \$585 deposited.

Chuck and Ryan went to the Holy Trinity event. There were MDC Master Naturalists and volunteers there. Over 300 people visited the event. There were John Muir and Aldo Leopold reenactors that did a fantastic job. Chuck mentioned there were not a whole lot of professionals there (in regards to gaining more Wildlife Society members), however, there were a lot of retired folks there (including retired MDC folks).

Ryan: Student workshop: emails went into Kyle (with American Fisheries Society), but no response yet. We will likely still hold the fall student workshop at Blind Pony. At this time, shooting for an October time frame. Potential for shorebird viewing up at Grand pass.

Brad: Newsletter update?

Chuck: Sent off a PDF version for review this morning. Chuck needs Shelly to send photos of herself for newsletter.

Brad: MNRC: will get with Ryan on the process. The theme is Resource Managers-> Resource Users. Does anyone have any workshop or speaker ideas?

Brad and Ryan will follow up with professional development workshop. Andrea Schuhmann said that surveys expressed an interest in shorebird ecology workshop.

Doreen Mengel and Lisa Webb may be good contacts for talks at MNRC. Ideas were to focus on field activities at professional workshop and continue with shorebird ecology talks at MNRC.

Fall travel grant due August 15<sup>th</sup>-update on the Facebook Page.

### **New Business**

Brad: email from Margie regarding the email Dr. Chavelier (from MO Western) sent out (regarding the potential change of federal funding and programs with the new administration): chapter could potentially put together a position statement, but will need to talk to the entire Chapter regarding this issue.

Chuck: we would be ok supporting a Society position statement.

Brad and Ryan: makes more sense as supporting a National Society position statement. Brad will check with national TWS folks regarding a National TWS position statement. Chuck mentioned Keith Norris would be the person to chat about position statement with the National chapter.

Brad: any other new business? Chuck: No.

Ryan: no other business than getting with Allison to check up on back deposits and such.

Everyone review newsletter and get edits back to Chuck asap.

Next meeting: after August 15<sup>th</sup> travel grant deadline. Next meeting will review travel grant and finalize workshops (at least professional development workshop).

Next meeting: August 21st at 9am with the same conference call line.

Brad: accept motion to adjourn: moved by Ryan, seconded by Chuck. Adjourned at 1:28pm.