

## Executive Board Meeting Minutes

April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 1PM via conference call

### **Attendees**

Ryan Diener (past president)

Brad Jump (president)

Chuck Anderson (president elect)

Shelly Colatskie (secretary)

Allison Leisenring (treasurer)

Absent: Jesse Tapp (Board Member).

Brad opened the meeting at 1:02pm and took roll call.

### **Old Business:**

Brad moved to approve the Executive minutes from the March 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. No corrections. Chuck and Ryan seconded.

Allison gave a treasurer's report: balance of \$7,269.49. CECU error: they deposited \$100.68 into the wrong account, so this is why there is a negative 100 amount removed. Banking issues resolved and all MNRC money and everything else has been deposited. Chuck, Ryan, Brad and Allison can write checks. Bank passwords are changed.

Ryan: Clay Shoot and other funds: deposit directly to Chambers Scholarship account which is a separate account. If in our account, we can transfer into the Chambers account. Ryan will do this in person for other clay shoots, etc. He possibly will swing by the Credit Union Wednesday. Allison will get Ryan the exact amount to transfer.

### **Chambers Gun Raffle:**

Ryan: Made money, but don't know exactly how much yet. Several hundred dollars were made after MNRC. Chuck won the gun! The gun was less expensive this year, but enough to pay the scholarships.

### **Chambers Clay Shoot:**

Ryan: we had twice as many shooters as last year, but only about 15 shooters. Brad: that is a lot of effort for only 15 people. For the future, maybe we will have two gun raffles or longer gun raffles instead of having a clay shoot as well. Chuck: after talking to a lot of people, and good reviews on social media, but still had a terrible turnout. Ryan: Maybe we should change up the area for the clay shoot? Switch up the area to a different region instead of having it in Central region again.

**Conservation Day at the Capital:** Ryan: Good turnout from both public and legislation. It is a good thing to continue to be a part of. Gov. Greitens stopped by, but Ryan was gone. Ryan has TWS display and will bring it to the June 3<sup>rd</sup> event.

Spring Student Workshop and Fall Student Workshop: Ryan: Bruce and Jan Sassmann were supposed to host the event as a pre-cursor to the June 3<sup>rd</sup> event, but the spring workshop weekend was no longer available and too late to change the date. Plus, there was not a great response so turnout likely would have been poor. This will allow us to have extra planning for fall workshop. Ryan will talk to Kyle Winders with MOAFS about a joint fall workshop. Hopefully he will talk to Kyle before May 12<sup>th</sup> so we can put announcement in newsletter.

Brad: will this be at Blind Pony or somewhere similar? Ryan: yes, somewhere in NW region would be fantastic. Great place for camping, has uplands, lake, hatchery for Pallid sturgeon and paddlefish. Allison suggests a tour of the hatchery: she has contact for them.

#### **MNRC:**

Brad: questions for Ryan: MNRC Speakers: last year Ryan provided speakers for a 2 hour workshop? Shane Kampeter is the contact for MNRC and will know how to do or change the directed workshops. Last year Ryan got the speakers. He asked for volunteers and no one wanted so he just picked what interested himself. ---for everyone: let Brad know topics and dynamic speakers. Does anyone know the 2018 theme? No, no one has heard yet.

#### **Newsletter:**

Chuck: May 12<sup>th</sup> is deadline: probably will have a few stragglers. Brad forwarded to MSU President and Brad attended their most recent meeting. Chuck suggested to new MU professors to have blurb to introduce themselves. Chuck will put the fall travel grant announcement in the spring newsletter.

Spring Travel Grant: Awarded to Lora Dirnberger who went to the Quail Symposium. She will be getting us a report and pictures.

#### **New Business:**

Holy Trinity of Conservation Event: Brad mentioned to MSU. Ryan: this will be on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Bruce is asking MOTWS if we want a table by the Leopold Shack to be there to answer questions about how Leopold was tied to TWS or other relevant questions. He needs names and lists so we will not have to pay. Can do shifts and will get lunch included. Ryan will be there back and forth and may have another colleague with him. Chuck can do anything that day. Brad will be in Florida, Shelly already has commitments, Allison will not be there. Chuck can try to get word out to Past Presidents or other members.

Missouri State University hadn't renewed their membership and had to be reinstated. Good! Shelly was the President of the MSU Wildlife Club that was part of the group who started the MSU TWS back in the day (seems like a long time ago: over 10 years ago!).

Brad: any other business to discuss? Ryan: Next newsletter is June 15<sup>th</sup>. Let's meet earlier that week to have a call/check in. Brad: will be gone from 7<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> to Florida.

Next meeting: June 5<sup>th</sup> at 1pm with the same conference call line.

Brad: accept motion to adjourn: moved by Ryan, seconded by Chuck. Adjourned at 1:34pm.