MOTWS Board Meeting: December 11th, 2017 9am.

Present: Allison, Brad, Shelly and Jessi. Chuck was out of town, and no word from Ryan.

9:06 Start time.

Brad forward a motion to approve minutes from October. Allison Moved and Shelly seconded. Motion approved via voice vote.

Treasurers report will be in newsletter, and the report doesn’t go to the end of the year, so Allison will have another report at end of year (at MNRC meeting).

Brad: old business: Allison went through a lot of trouble for the student workshop and only 10 students signed up; therefore it was canceled.

- Spring workshop: fall was a short notice, so we need to provide more notice to students, and we also need to make sure it doesn’t interfere with exams.
- Many folks still interested in presenting (speakers): will likely try to do spring migration.
- Shelly agreed that it was short notice and maybe not a whole lot of student involvement yet (in the fall).
- Brad: will post @MNRC.

New Business:

- Audit: Kevin Hedgpeth: annual audit. Rhonda Rimer and Kevin will work with Allison and Brad.
- Chuck: Elections: 2 people for each position: Treasurer, president elect, P and member at large.
- If not a member of National Society, need to vote for in person. Will have ballots at MNRC.
- Brad and Alliston mentioned the annual report due in January; already has been submitted.
- Allison: CFM Dues of $150 will be paid. Brad will check, but likely will have to mail check in as opposed to pay online. Will pay in person at MNRC.
- MNRC booth: Two booth spaces reserved and room for annual business meeting. Not sure what booth space or what room yet, but enough for 150 people requested for the room. This will be in Salon B.
- Eric Merit has several items and is getting more items for the silent auction.
- We will add a gift card raffle to Bass Pro: likely a $400 gift card: Moved by Allison and seconded by Shelly. This way they can buy whatever they want from Bass Pro. Approved via voice vote.
- Allison will go get the card from Bass Pro. Needs to ask Kevin Hedgpeth who the new donating manager at Bass Pro is: they may be able to get some donations? This request was denied.
- Brad will post flyer of bass pro raffle and Glenn Chambers raffle at Booth.

- Booth display board: no one knows where it is. Brad will ask Ryan and Chuck to see if they had it at the clay shoot.

- Tickets: Allison has tickets. 2 different colors. Chuck is taking care of Chambers raffle items and tickets.

- How much per ticket or grouping of ticket? $5 a ticket or 5 tickets for $20. This will be for both Chambers and raffle.

- Booth sign-ups: go ahead and send to list serve. Man booth Wednesday night, Thursday and Friday. Send out as early as possible.

- Allison: Bid Sheets? Should she have them? There are plenty, Shelly has some too.

- Draft agenda for meeting: look it over and get back by 5th of January. Additional items for annual business meeting needed?

- Print 100 agendas for meeting.

- Print 50 or so of 2017 meeting minutes and post to list serve.

- Jessi: The National Duck Symposium had a professional/student mentor’s session during the mixer. It may be late this year, but can bring up at annual meeting? Yes, all signed up last minute.

- MNRC committee: Shane Kampeter can help assign mentors and mentees.

- We will see who is interested (professionals) for this year?

- Jessi made a motion to move forward on this and Allison seconded. Approved via voice vote.

- Steering committee: $1500 for a speaker (MNRC for Wildlife Society). USDA folks from CO are sending all 4 speakers for free. Should we put money towards student rooms?

Awards:

- E.Sydney Awards: no nominations. One potential, but checking to see if this person had an award already.

- Runge Award: Jeff Ford: 600 acres of Dexter cattle, manages land for black bear. 70 bears have been on his property. He has done TSI and plantings for black bear. Will have person who nominated him do an official write up.

- Jeff Powelson is handling Farmer Award. We do not consistently give this award out.

- Dr. Wigman: has a list of graduate students, may award 2 this year.

- Chambers: Dan Zekor and committee will select. There are 9 applicants.

- We will approve Sydney and Runge award through email.

- Meeting during MNRC will be late Wednesday: board will meet in empty room or corner.

- Brad: Accept motion to adjourn at 9:50am. Allison moved and Jessi seconded. Approved via voice vote.