



THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

South Dakota Chapter

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Executive Board Meeting, November 16th, 2017

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM (CST)

Conference Call

On the call

President Joshua Stafford

Past President Nathan Baker

President Elect Alex Solem

Secretary/Treasurer Jacquie Ermer

Board Member Ben Lardy

Board Member Brian Pauly

Meeting called to order at 11:34am

- Secretary/Treasurer's Report
 - Approval of minutes from last executive board meeting (8/16/17)
Motion to approve by Solem; Second by Lardy; All in favor
 - Approval of treasurer's report
Motion to approve by Solem; Second by Baker; All in favor
- Old Business
 - SD Student Travel Grants
 - Offered \$200/student; essay required
 - Need to follow up.
Stafford will send email to applicants (3) and ask for the essay. Put names and essay in next Newsletter
 - 2018 Annual Meeting
 - Theme: *"Natural History: Back to basics with backpacks and binoculars"*
 - Preparation and Details- *group discussed*
 - Gun Raffle-
check out new sporting goods store in Chamberlain (Quirks) or Cabelas?; Lardy will look into gun options; transfer gun to winner's name
 - "Game Night"-
new fundraiser idea instead of live auction; additional items to raffle (5) on Tues night as part of "game night" before

*banquet- Yeti or Arctic cooler? Additional gun? Other items?
Group discussed*

- Auction-
no live auction format; will do a silent auction Mon thru Tue (buy-out price?); will try a “game night” instead of live auction
- Gay Simpson print-
We will still live auction this print the night of banquet (Stafford)
- TWS Annual Conference
 - SDTWS Chapter Representation
Stafford attended; didn't see many others from SD; a few students from SD
- New Business
 - 2018 Annual Meeting
 - Potential conflicts with CMPS/DAFS meetings, etc.
Board discussed and decided to leave SDTWS 2018 annual meeting dates as is
 - Call for Abstracts
Solem prepared and will send out soon to Stafford and Jennifer Briggs; deadline for submissions will be Dec 29, 2017
 - Check with invited speakers-
Stafford and Solem will touch base again with Dr. Zink and Mr. Furtman
 - Board- When to meet at Cedar Shores – Menu, etc.
Tentatively next Board meeting sometime week Jan 15, 2018; Stafford will send out meeting poll
 - Soliciting donations for annual meeting
Start soliciting in January 2018; discuss at next meeting
 - Awards
*Baker is chair; new Life Member Awards; WL Professional, Citizen, Student Awards, Best Oral Presentation
Baker will send out call for award nominations early Dec; email blast and newsletter*
 - Board positions open
1-board member (Lardy's term is up) and president-elect openings; start looking for candidates
 - Registration forms- update and print
Look into Print Com in Pierre; early Feb

- Next SDTWS Newsletter
 - *Solicit Silent Auction items; no live auction reminder*
 - *Abstracts due*
 - *Student Travel Grant Essays*
 - *Photo contest reminder*
 - *Solicit nominations for president elect and board member*

Motion to adjourn: Pauly; Second Lardy; All in favor
Meeting adjourned at 12:28pm