

## August Missouri Chapter of The Wildlife Society Board Meeting Minutes

August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**Present:** Jessica, Brad, Shelly, Ryan and Allison

**Absent:** Chuck

Call meeting to order at 9:06am

Brad forwarded to accept to approve the minutes: Ryan moved and Jessica seconded

**Student Workshop:** Ryan: will not be there; hard to get a hold of Kyle Winders (Kyle does not seem very enthused about holding it at Blind Pony).

- Fisheries management biologist left-talked to assistant fisheries manager: no room for many folks; and no camping on site. Brad and Ryan do not think a special use permit would be an issue though.

- Brad can take over student workshop, but can't do both professional and student. Shelly said check with Andrea S. to see if she can help take over.

- Ryan thought it would be more focused on fisheries (however Steve Knoll could show areas of the upland work).

- Ryan will get info to Brad and Brad will contact Kyle and Allison L. to make more contacts.

- Brad and Ryan should be able to get a SUP at Blind Pony; however, we could camp at Grand Pass which is about 15min away from Blind Pony.

- Could do a morning or evening wetland portion at Grand Pass.

- Kyle wants next year's student workshop to be at Bennett Springs.

- This year's workshop should be around 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of October.

- Jessi mentioned be cautious about camping at Grand Pass during waterfowl season.

- Therefore, the workshop will likely be held the weekend before opening of waterfowl season.

- Robert Henry is the manager at Grand Pass.

**Newsletter:** Brad: Chuck: not here, but seems like everything is going well.

- Need to continue to press local chapters to get info to Chuck.

- Jessi: Deadline? December 1<sup>st</sup> is when the newsletter goes out.

- Ryan: may have been something in manuals: October 1 or November 1 is when the deadline should be.

- Brad: we will shoot for deadline of October 15<sup>th</sup>: this way students have time to submit items.

**Fall Travel Grant:**

This will be awarded to Summer Higdon more than likely as she is the only one who has submitted an application. She is attending the annual Wildlife Society conference in Phoenix and is presenting there. Ryan: have Chuck check the mailbox to see if anyone sent in an application via mail. Brad: if there are any others, we will vote via email.

**Any Old Business? No**

**Any New Business?** Allison: sent Laura (spring travel grant) money (\$500) and she sent in a nice travel report.

- Allison received \$506 from parent chapter. Not sure what from, but Ryan suggested likely chapter dues that folks paid to the parent chapter when registering for the national chapter.
- Allison finished depositing money from clay shoot. Ryan says we are all caught up now on the clay shoot.
- Brad: Allison, make sure you get an annual treasurers report at MNRC.

**Next meeting:** Monday October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9am

**Motion to adjourn: Ryan moved and Shelly seconded at 9:26am.**