

## **Annual Meeting**

### **Washington State Society of American Foresters**

October 24, 2007

Convention Center Room A104- Portland, OR

#### **SUMMARY OF ACTIONS and MOTIONS- noted in bold in text**

- I. **Opening-** Chair Doug Rushton called the meeting to order at 12:03PM.  
Attending(61): Doug Rushton, Rob Sjogren, Diane Farris, Adam Kwakenat, Ole Bekkevar, Brenton Castanares, Mark Johnson, Mervyn Hearn, Joseph Murray, Jon Tweedale, Julie Sandberg, Dick Reid, Nancy Peckman, Peter Heide, Jenny Wren, Mark Killingsworth, Tony Sivitilli, Ryan Grim, Robert Nokes, Dakota Vogel, Dick Hopkins, Pam Phillips, Madeline David (for Kirk David-District 1), Mary Huels, Adrian Patterson, Betty Burtson, Dave Yates, Pat Cummins, Hank Kipp, Vickie Christiansen, Bruce Mackey, Linda Tonasket, Eric Hofstad, Cesar Carrion, John Bergvall, Don Theoe, Eric Wisch, Gretchen Nicholas, Mike Jackson, Ray Weinmann, Dennis Dart, Simon Kihia, Adrian Miller, Jerry Feucht, Jim Frost, Samantha Chang, Stan Humann, Dave Malsed, Gary Shirley, Tom Hanson, Ross Goodwin, John McMahon, Zoanne Thomas, Lori Rasor, Chuck Lorenz, Don Hanley, Doug St. John, George McFadden, John Trobaugh, Bill Horn and Scott Swanson.
- II. **State Officers were introduced. Chair Doug Rushton, Past Chair Don Hanley, Chair Elect Zoanne Thomas, Treasurer Chuck Lorenz and Secretary Scott Swanson.**
- III. **Treasurer Report-** Chuck Lorenz reported that the financials are in order. The Financial Statement for the State was distributed and it was **MSC to accept the Financial Report as submitted.**
- IV. **2007 in Review-** Doug Rushton
  - A. Thanked this year's officers.
  - B. Quarterly reports to Kirk David-Council District 1-see website.
    - i. Leadership workshop
    - ii. Forestry Licensing effort-trying to make sure public interests are protected.
    - iii. Western WA Fair and SAF Booth and Display

- iv. Forest Landowner Days-Andy Perleberg
- v. SW WA hosted legislative dinner
- vi. MOU with the WA Association of Conservation Districts
- vii. Special Speaker from the Washington Environmental Council at an Executive Committee meeting at the UW.
- viii. Draft Communication Strategy
- ix. Draft Strategic Plan by year end.

V. **Awards**

- A. **Forester of the Year**- announced by Dave Malsed- The 2007 award winner is **GRETCHEN NICHOLAS**. She is a UW graduate with an MBA from St Martin. She is a Certified Master Gardener. She started as a log scaler with Boise Cascade then worked for International Paper before the WDNR. She has been chair-elect and chair of the SW WA Chapter.
- B. **Chapter of the Year** is **GREEN RIVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE**. The award was accepted by Adrian Patterson and Dick Hopkins.
- C. **Certificate of Appreciation**-was given to both Pat Cummins and Ann Forest Burns as they both leave their position on the Fellow Selection Committee. They will be replaced by Don Theoe and Dick Pierson.

VI. **Forester Foundation-Dave Yates**

- A. **New Marketing Brochure**-unveiled and distributed at the meeting.
- B. **Committee was thanked**-Don Hanley, Nancy Peckman and Lori Rasor.

VII. **Vision for 2008**-Zoanne Thomas, Chair-Elect

- A. **Leaders are servants**-"here to serve our chapter and its members"
- B. **Leadership Workshop**-January 25-26, 2008 in Kelso, WA
- C. **Congratulations**-to all Washington chapters for helping to make this National Convention such a success.
- D. **Communication**- will help lead toward communication and communicating with the public on what we are and do.
- E. **Update State position statements**

December 3, 2007

VIII. **Future Annual Meeting-**

A. **2008 Annual Meeting- Date and Location-TBD-** hosted by the SW WA Chapter

IX. **Adjournment-** Meeting was adjourned at 12:46PM

Minutes are respectfully submitted by

Scott Swanson, WSSAF Secretary