

INLAND EMPIRE SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FORESTERS (IESAF)

Executive Committee (EC) Meeting Minutes

Tera King called the February 5, 2014 Executive Committee meeting of IESAF to order at approximately 0900.

In attendance were Tera King (Chair), Terry Shaw and Lynn Kaney (Councilors), Steve McConnell (Past Chair), Phil Aune (Chair Elect), Ralph Cornwall (Selkirk Chair) and Norris Boothe (Secretary). Bart Ausland (Panorama Chair), Lori Rasor and Lisa Naylor (Treasurer elect) attended by phone. Tera asked for additions to the agenda and Phil suggested that we discuss a memorial to Bob Bosworth.

November EC Minutes: Boothe had emailed a draft of the minutes and amendments were offered by Jay O'Laughlin and Tera King, also emailed to the EC in lieu of reading the minutes. *Aune moved to accept the minutes; second by Kaney; motion carried.*

IESAF Interim Treasurer's Report: Tera reported that Terrie Jain is still interim Treasurer, but had to be in Boise. Lisa Naylor will soon take over as Treasurer. There are still a few questions on the books that Terrie and Tera will resolve before passing on the books. Phil suggests that we give Lisa a letter saying that the books are as correct as we can get for the past, and that she is not responsible for any past discrepancies that may be found later. Tera and Terrie will co-sign the letter. The ending balances of accounts on 12/31/2013 were \$2207.07 at Wells Fargo and \$135.62 at Latah Federal Bank, for a total of \$2,342.69. The Latah Federal account will be closed and the balance transferred to Wells Fargo.

Officer/Committee Chair Appointments: Tera appointed Lisa Naylor Treasurer, Norris Boothe Secretary, Dick Reid to complete Terry Shaw's Councilor term in 2015, Ron Mahoney Awards Chair, Chris Schnepf Continuing Forest Education Chair, Jay O'Laughlin Forest Policy Chair, Mark Swanson Leadership Development Fund Chair, tentatively Serena Carlson Communications Chair when she joins SAF. We currently do not have nominations for a Website Manager or Auditing Chair. *Boothe moved that the EC endorse these appointments; second by McConnell; motion carried.*

Chair/Committee Reports:

Northwest Office (NWO) Report: Lori Rasor reviewed the report she had sent by email, including the 2014 publication schedule and themes for the Western Forester, NWO work plan, budget matters, other activities and upcoming events. She pointed out that IESAF positions on the NWO committee are Chair (Tera), Chair Elect (Phil), Treasurer (Lisa), a member at large (Terry Shaw) and Past Chair (Steve), who in 2014 is the Chair of the NWO committee.

District 1 Council Report: The report for the recent meeting was not available, by Tera summarized John Walkowiak's 1/12/14 report. The highlight was the first balanced budget in 5 years and the cuts necessary to achieve it. Past President Roger Dziengeleski is leading the search committee for a new Executive Vice President, with help from consultants.

Old Business:

Committee and award nominations: Steve McConnell is nominating Ed Lester for an honorary SAF award because of active participation in community forestry. Phil Aune was working on two fellow nominations, but Lynn Kaney was reluctant to be nominated. Golden member awards will be presented to members reaching their 50th year in SAF, all Palouse-Snake River (PSR) members.

2013 Annual Meeting thank you cards: Steve wants to send thank you notes to sponsors and speakers. Lynn volunteered to send them if Steve gives him a list of names and addresses.

Leadership Retreat: The retreat is Friday and Saturday at Lubrecht Forest, featuring Bob Alverts, SAF Vice President. Selkirk is sending 2 students from SCC. PSR offered 6 scholarships and 3 students from WSU accepted, but none from UI.

Forestry Day at Idaho Legislature: IESAF donated \$250 to co-sponsor the informational event. Washington SAF already held a similar event in Olympia.

Website Management: The address is <http://www.forestry.org/iesaf/> and Tera provided a handout with ideas for website updates. Several people can contribute, but one should have the password for putting things on the website. Serena as Communications Chair was suggested. Lori asked that we send her information on upcoming events such as chapter meetings, so she can put them on the website and Western Forester calendar of events.

New Business:

2012 (or 2013?) Tax Year: Terrie and Tera are working on Form 990, E-Postcard and Financial Statements to send to Jorge.

2014 Budget: Tera presented a proposed budget. An amendment was recommended to reduce the website costs line from \$300 to \$50 now that development costs have been paid. Further discussion led to the following motions:

- *Aune moved to close the account with Latah Federal Bank and add the money to the Wells Fargo account; second by Shaw; motion passed.*
- *Kaney moved that the authorized signatories be Lisa Naylor and Tera King, and that Terry Shaw and Terrie Jain be removed; second by Shaw; motion carried.*
- *Boothe moved that IESAF keep \$2500 from the 2012 National Convention and disburse the rest of the income based on volunteer hours, according to option 7c; second by Aune; motion carried.*
- *Kaney moved to accept the proposed 2014 budget as amended; second by McConnell; motion carried.*

NW Office Assessment: The problem of golden members and students dues that do not cover their share of the assessment continues to stress the budget. We will again ask for donations from golden members to cover through letters.

IESAF Annual Meeting: Options were discussed, but another fall meeting is the only viable alternative. It will have to be at least a few weeks after the National Convention, October 8 to 11, 2014. A theme was proposed around a demonstration area near the old North South Ski Bowl near Emida, where changes in ownership make interesting topics of discussion. Long term records are still available for past management. A planning committee will meet at the end of March.

2015 Leadership Academy: Tera wants to plan ahead and set a date. Possible sites were discussed, and a list will be compared at the next meeting.

Membership Strategy: Steve was recruited to write a plan with membership objectives by the next meeting.

IESAF Mailing Address: Tera suggests instead of using the chairs home or office address, we share the Palouse/Snake River PO box. Cost will be about \$30/year. The idea was accepted by consensus.

Bob Bosworth IESAF Memorial: Phil proposed establishing a "Bob Bosworth Leadership Development Fund" in recognition of his long term support of leadership in SAF and the National Leadership Academy. It would be funded with donations from chapters, members and raffles at annual meetings. Phil will draft a charter to fund leader development and helping hardship cases.

Chapter Reports:

Palouse/Snake River: Tera reported that the remaining leaders held a planning meeting. First Friday breakfasts start at 0700 at the Breakfast Club in Moscow and they are planning a field tour.

Panorama: Bart reported the first meeting of 2014 is coming up in February. They will no longer have income from the pop machine at the County Courthouse, but expect to survive.

Selkirk: Ralph reported that Ed Morgan is Chair Elect for 2014 and Jim Nichols will run in 2015. The meeting schedule is focusing on Agencies. A field trip will view BLM land and the south end of the Spokane Indian Reservation. The chapter was pained by the deaths of 4 long time active members in the last year or so.

Spokane Community College: Mathew Dunford and Tom Reiger are advisors, but attracting 2 year students is always difficult.

University of Idaho: Tera read the report that Ron Mahoney had emailed. Jacob Vaile is Chair and Pat Mahoney is Chair Elect.