



**2010 Fall Governing Board Meeting
Ohio Chapter of the American Fisheries Society
Ohio Sea Grant College Program – Columbus, Ohio
10:30 am, December 1, 2010**

- 1) Call to Order and Determination of Quorum. – Eight present and was a quorum
- 2) Welcome by President Curt Wagner – Welcomed the group.
- 3) Officer Reports
 - i) President: Curt Wagner - Will present YPR angling study at Midwest FWC and attend business meetings as OCAFS representative.
 - ii) President-Elect: Joe Conroy – Discussed bylaws. Will add Buckeye Student Subunit to governing board and revise bylaws. Will vote on this at annual meeting.
 - iii) Past President: Nick Radabaugh – No Report
 - iv) Secretary/Treasurer: John Navarro – We have 170+ members and a balance of \$5,719.00. Try to determine which Ohio parent society members are also OCAFS members.
 - v) Webmaster: Kevin Kayle – Updating web site as items come in. Looking to migrate site to another location in future. We do have a Facebook page.
- 4) Committee Reports
 - i) Member Services: Position is open but Chris Aman (Wildlife District Three) has shown interest.
 - ii) Aquatic Stewardship: Eugene Braig – Will defer until later in agenda.
 - iii) Information Transfer and Outreach: Kevin Page – Wants to step down. A decision was made to merge the Webmaster and ITO positions and Kevin Kayle will become ITO lead.
 - iv) Buckeye Student Subunit: This will now be a standing committee and be headed up by Adam Kudza. This will be voted on at the annual meeting.
- 5) Old Business
 - i) Member Services Open Chair (Curt Wagner) – Chris Aman from Wildlife D3 has accepted post.
 - ii) Buckeye Student Subunit Update & Housekeeping (Buckeye Rep. or Curt Wagner) – The kick-off meeting was a success and will be held again next year. Planning a wild game social in the spring. Membership is light in fish management folks.
 - iii) Buckeye Subunit Representative to OCAFS Governing Board – see spring 2010 Governing Board meeting minutes – Discuss Bylaw Amendment (Curt Wagner) – Joe Conroy will draft by-law changes and present for a vote at annual meeting.
 - iv) NCD Strategic Plan Revision Update (Joe Conroy) – No update or movement.
 - v) NCD Eco-Separation Resolution Update & Possible OCAFS Actions (Kevin Kayle) – Lots of OCAFS input and we are happy with final version. NCD has approved and forwarded on to Parent Society.
 - vi) Popular Writing Workshop Update & Discussion (Curt Wagner) – Workshop set for February 18th at USGS facility in Columbus. Charge \$10 for non-members.
 - vii) Update on Student Life Sciences Forum & OAS Partnership / Joan Duffy (Nick Radabaugh and/or Joe Conroy) – Not able to put this together for 2011 so will shoot for 2012. August is call for papers.

- viii) Review of Milt Austin Award and Relevant OCAFS Point-of-Contact with OAS (Curt Wagner & John Navarro) – Joe, Nick and member from Buckeyes Student Subunit will help judge and we will add 5th and 6th graders.
- ix) Revisit Aquatic Sciences Scholarship (Eugene Braig) – We will reinstate this program and Eugene will draft letter for OCAFS president to sign. We will solicit money from clubs which will go to treasurer; OCAFS will contribute \$500. We will get club list from DOW.
- x) OCAFS Raffle at OFWMA 2011 – Logistics, Coordination & Donations (John Navarro) – We are compiling raffle prizes and have several items already: wetland print, signed mussel book, signed bird book, Columbus Zoo/Wilds gift basket, fishing tackle. Could use additional items.

6) New Business

- i) Officer Nomination(s) for President-Elect / Others (?) (Curt Wagner) – We need a candidate for the president elect position. Tory Gabriel, Mike Durkalac, and Ann Marie Gorman have been suggested but need to look for other potential applicants. Need to vote by January 4th to make the 30 day window before the conference.
- ii) Discuss OCAFS Hosting Speaker / Instructors for a Meal: (Curt Wagner)
 - (1) Jim Markham (NY DEC) – OFWMA Invited ‘Fish’ Speaker – Out-to-Dinner Evening before (February 3rd)? – Group decided that this would be a good idea.
 - (2) Popular Writing Workshop Instructors – Out-to-Lunch or Dinner Day of Event (February 18th)? – Group decided that we should take the instructors out to lunch on the day of the event. OCAFS will pay for instructor’s meals.
- iii) Formal Governing Board Action Needed (because >\$200) to Approve Covering Expenses for President to Attend Midwest/NCD? (Curt Wagner and John Navarro) – Decision was no vote necessary because this is an annual commitment to sponsor the OCAFS president’s travel.
- iv) Post and/or E-Distribute OCAFS NCD Report to Membership? (Curt Wagner and Kevin Kayle) – Decision was yes.
- v) Membership Survey Idea – Survey Monkey / Web Tool Type Thing – A ‘Where We’re At and How to Improve’ Exercise (Curt Wagner) – A decision was to have Curt chair and Eugene co-chair Ad Hoc committee to compile list of questions for the survey. Will discuss at annual meeting. May work with OSU (Brescoter) to assist in compiling survey questions.
- vi) Need/Desire to Align OCAFS Procedures and/or Bylaws to New OCAFS Strategic Plan Language & Organization? (Curt Wagner & Nick Radabaugh) – In 2010, OCAFS Strategic Plan’s language was aligned with the Parent Society’s language. Consequently, OCAFS Chapter By-laws now have noticeable discrepancies (mainly in committee names, nomenclature, etc...) with Chapter Strategic Plan. In 2011, Chapter bylaws will be revised to align with current Strategic Plan.

7) Adjourn