

Agenda: OCAFS Governing Board
30 June 2022, 9:00 a.m.
MS Teams (see calendar invitation for link)

Attendees: Jeremy Pritt, Steven Gratz, Zak Slagle, Nick Radabaugh, Eugene Braig

Meeting Objectives:

1. Plans for summer meeting
2. Planning for annual meeting
3. Additional business

Item 1: Plans for summer meeting

- Working w/ UT Subunit (Jordan McKenna, President) and Matt Cross (Toledo Zoo) to plan meeting
 - 1-2 hour trip Toledo Zoo sturgeon facility visit
 - Business meeting at UT (LEC or main campus) or Toledo Zoo, depending on room availability
- Dinner/social after business meeting? – unlikely, seems a tall ask given the one day meeting format
- Service project or fun event the following day?
- Dates that might work? – **Thurs, Aug 4** (tentative)
- There will be a virtual option for the business meeting
- Start thinking about agenda items
- **Action item:** Jeremy will follow up with Matt Cross to schedule

Item 2: Preliminary discussions on annual meeting

- Possible dates for annual meeting
 - Possible conflict - Midwest F&W Conf: Feb 12-15
 - Possible conflict - ODW Fisheries All Hands Meeting (?)
 - Zak will ask Eric Weimer about possible dates
 - Sometime in January is most likely

- Possible venues
 - Columbus?
 - 4H Center is a favorite, but no hotel nearby (Jeremy)
 - Quest Conference Center (Polaris; Eugene)
 - State park lodge? (Steve)
 - Josh Knight Center (Akron)
 - Sharonville Center (Cincinnati)
 - Dayton Convention Center (Eugene, not preferred)
 - Crown Plaza (Dayton, OH; Jeremy)
 - Mason, Ohio (Kings Island; Eugene)
- How many attendees to expect (Steve)? - 50-100, roughly
- Assemble a meeting committee
 - Members from different sectors/universities/agencies
 - Assign program, plenary, workshop, social chairs
 - Will send an email to membership soon to recruit these positions

Item 3: Other business

- Opportunity to be involved in 2023 AFS Annual Meeting in Grand Rapids
 - August 20-24, 2023
 - Request for help through NCD email listserv, forwarded to UT subunit
- Equal Opportunity Section request (see attached)
 - Agreed to support in some way
 - Do they have targeted asks (Eugene)?
 - Jeremy will follow up
 - **Motion to contribute up to \$400 to the EOS** (Jeremy, Nick seconds)
 - Motion passes (5 in favor)
- Fall Workshop travel support (Eugene)
 - OCAFS scholarships – in the past OCAFS have funded up to two scholarships
 - Co-taught by OSU (Eugene), ODW, OEPA
 - Fee is \$300 (in past was \$175-250)
 - Typical attendance is capacity (nine students)
 - **Motion to fund two scholarships** (Zak, seconded by Jeremy)
 - Motion passes (4 in favor, Eugene recuses himself)
- Does OCAFS have a “Hall of Fame” or annual award(s) of some sort (Steve)?
 - We do not currently, but seems like a good idea to the board
 - Show appreciation to contributions to the OCAFS/national level
 - Do other state chapters have awards (Jeremy)?
 - Unsure

- Water Mgt Association of Ohio has annual awards, Eugene can speak to how they function
 - Three total, don't always award all every year
 - President's Award, Innovations, Lifetime Achievement/Dedicated Service
- **Action item:** Steve will do some research into what other chapters are doing and add to summer business meeting
- Consider OCAFS apparel (Steve)?
 - Extra income/marketing, had it at Auburn Chapter
 - Can be printed on demand with some vendors (Jeremy)
 - NCD is launching something like that – let them test it out
 - Drew Holloway leading for NCD
 - Need graphic designer/artist (Jeremy)
 - Rachel Thomas, solicit others through email? (Steve)
 - Need timetable (shirts not printed until end of sale; Eugene)
 - **Action item:** Jeremy will follow up with NCD to learn pricing, profit potential, how it works
- Eugene contacted OSU Subunit to re-establish contact
 - No reply (but school is out)
 - New faculty advisor TBD, hopefully will get the club more involved
- Zak will send out these minutes
- Do we have OCAFS files on an online drive (Steve)?
 - No, currently on a thumbdrive with Zak
 - **Action item:** Zak will work on transferring at least some files to Google Drive (theocafs@gmail.com)