



Ohio Chapter of the American Fisheries Society

Summer Business Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 4th, 2022, 10:00-11:30am, University of Toledo Lake Erie Center

- 1) Call to Order
 - a. Determination of quorum: Yes (8+ members)
 - b. Meeting called to order at: 10:00 AM
 - c. Attendance: Jeremy Pritt*, Bryan Kinter, Zach Amidon, Brian Alford, Tory Gabriel, Nick Radabaugh, Chris Aman, Steven Gratz, Zak Slagle, Mike Booth, Jordan McKenna, Eugene Braig, Curt Wagner, Cameron McCune, Eric Huber, Jeff Miner*, Harley Dunlop*, Bayley Wilmoth*, Cathy Doyle*, Joe Conroy*
 - i. * indicates virtual attendance

- 2) Welcome by Jeremy Pritt, OCAFS President

- 3) NCD Report (Joe Conroy, AFS-NCD Past-President)
 - a. Meetings & Meeting Participation
 - i. 2023 Midwest: Overland Park, Kansas
 - ii. 2023 AFS: Grand Rapids, Michigan - Participation opportunity (students, various committees)
 - iii. 2026 AFS: Columbus, Ohio
 - b. NCD Reboot
 - i. Student Affairs *now* Students and Early Career Professionals Affairs Committee
 - Co-Chairs Hadley Boehm (Missouri)
- Hadley.Boehm@mail.missouri.edu and Shaley Valentine (IL)
- Shaley.Valentine@siu.edu
 - Representatives *needed*
 - Subcommittees: MWFWC planning; Communication; Membership; Continuing Education
 - Planned Student & Early Career Professional symposium at MWFWC 2023
 - ii. Communication Committee

- Chair Brittany Harried (Missouri) - blhf39@missouri.edu
 - Social pages: https://twitter.com/NCD_AFS, <https://www.instagram.com/ncdafs/>
 - Needs: Content! Send field work updates, pictures, profiles, article announcements, etc.
 - iii. Bylaws revision
 - c. NCD "Boot"
 - i. Technical Committee updates
 - WTC Summer Joint Meeting: Aquatic Habitat Mapping workshop (Fletcher and Booth)
 - Funding from AFS Continuing Education Committee
 - Urban & Community Fisheries
 - Salmonid
 - Undervalued Fishes
 - ii. NCD Apparel Shop --- *Still coming soon*
 - iii. NCD-Southern Division Joint Meeting --- *pie in the sky planning*
- 4) Officer Reports
 - a. President (Jeremy Pritt)
 - i. Letters of Support for Recovering America's Wildlife Act (RAWA)
 - ii. Bi-monthly Governing Board meetings
 - iii. Chapter Report send to parent society
 - b. President-Elect (Steven Gratz) - none
 - c. Past President (Kristen Fussell)- none
 - d. Secretary/Treasurer (Zak Slagle)
 - i. Secretary/treasurer report (attached)
 - ii. Unit documents to Google Drive (in progress)
 - e. Student Subunits
 - i. UT Rockets (Jordan McKenna)
 - 1. JASM Trivia Night – hosted and won (*suspicious*)
 - ii. BGSU (Jeff Miner)
 - 1. Subunit active; ~50 on mailing list, 6-12 attend
 - iii. OSU – no advisor/inactive
- 5) Standing Committee Reports
 - a. Ohio Fisheries Leadership/Webmaster (Nick Radabaugh) - none
 - b. Education/Continuing Education (Eugene Braig)
 - i. Milt Austin judging/awards (thanks to Steve for assistance)
 - ii. Gov. Bd. Voted to fund two scholarships for Fish Sampling Techniques Workshop (Stone Lab)
 - c. Value of Member/Social Media (Brian Alford)
 - i. **Please send projects, fieldwork, new publications for Brian to share on the OCAFS social media pages!**
- 6) North Central Division Technical Committee Reports
 - a. Centrarchid (Jeremy, for Steve Tyszko) – new leadership

- b. Esocid (Curt Wagner) – active but no update
- c. Ictalurid (Ethan Simmons)
- d. Reservoirs (Joe Conroy)
 - i. Reservoirs Technical Committee Meeting Sep 30 – Oct 2
 - ii. *North American Journal of Fisheries Management* upcoming special issue: Back to the Future, 50 Years of Reservoir Management upcoming
- e. Rivers and Streams (Jeremy Pritt)
 - i. New leadership – Brett Roeburg (sp?) – Nebraska
 - ii. Virtual meeting with ~70 attendees
- f. Walleye (Tim Parker) - none

7) New Business

- a. Winter 2023 OCAFS meeting
 - i. In-person, 2-day meeting in Jan/Feb
 - ii. Seeking meeting committee and chairs: Plenary, Workshop, Program
 - iii. Jeff: joint mtg with OSU Research Review?
 - 1. Jeremy: concerns about dilution of Research Review (very specific purpose), likely keeping separate
 - iv. Consider 1-2 weeks before Midwest Meeting
 - v. Virtual component would help attendance
 - vi. Discuss during upcoming Governing Board meeting (Aug 25)
- b. Upcoming meetings
 - i. February 12-15, 2023, Midwest Fish and Wildlife Conference, Overland Park, Kansas
 - ii. August 20-24, 2023, American Fisheries Society Annual Meeting, Grand Rapids, MI

8) Lake Sturgeon project introduction (Jorden McKenna)

- a. Background and overview of Lake Sturgeon work before Toledo Zoo visit
 - i. Populations decimated by overfishing by ~1870s, endangered in Ohio and now <1% of original populations
 - ii. Jessica Collier's work showed habitat exists in Maumee River
 - iii. Streamside rearing, goal of 1500 individuals released per year
 - iv. 2018-19 80 juveniles tagged with V7 acoustic transmitters and tracked with help of GLATOS
 - v. Juveniles remain in river for ~1 month and disperse throughout western basin

9) Wrap up

- a. Meeting adjourned at 11:01AM

Lunch will be on your own following the meeting

Tour of the Toledo Zoo Lake Sturgeon Facility will begin at 1:30 pm

Secretary/Treasurer Report

OCAFS Budget Summary (March 2022-Aug 2022)	
Category	Total Expenses
<i>Beginning Account Balance</i>	\$11,767.24
Awards	-\$325.00
Chapter dues (AFS reimbursement)	\$119.40
Amazon Smile	\$5.00
OSU Student Subunit Funds	\$419.00
<i>Ending Account Balance</i>	\$11,566.64
OCAFS Available Funds	\$11,147.64

Notes:

- **Chapter dues** include money received from the AFS parent society.
- **Awards** represent four Milt Austin Awards (\$25-\$150); as of Aug 3, all checks have cleared (\$325.00 total).
- **OSU Student Subunit Funds** represent money raised in Silent Auction at the 2019 Midwest Meeting.
- **OCAFS Available Funds** represents closing balance in Huntington account minus the OSU Student Subunit Funds *and* the outstanding Milt Austin Award checks

Membership:

- 125 current members
- 77 students, 46 non-students
- Currently working out issue getting parent society roster (last updated June 22nd)

Submitted August 4, 2022

Zak Slagle

OCAFS Secretary/Treasurer