

**MT SAF Executive Committee Meeting
Minutes March 5, 2008
KwaTukNuk, Polson, Montana**

Attendance:

Holly McKenzie, Craig Thomas, Bill Pursell, Dennis Davaz, Jason Brandt, Tim Love, Carl Sobczak, Russ Gautreaux, Rod Brevig, Beth Dodson, Dave Adkins, Larry Wescott

Call to Order – Craig Thomas

Approval of Minutes – 2/09/08 minutes reviewed and approved (as corrected) and on file. Corrections to East side report.

Treasurer's Report – Bill Pursell

As of 2/12/08 the financial position of the SAF state account is \$13,205.11. YTD there has been \$1, 85.32 in revenue and \$0 in expenses for a \$1085.32 increase in cash. Also sent out for review to the executive committee is an YTD ledger.

East Side Report – Dennis Davaz – 4/15 meeting on “Soils Disturbance Protocols” with Tom Mafei. Chapter is looking at a new approach and a dialog to Stewardship Contracting with the Forest Service. Chapter is looking at several tree planting projects.

Flathead Chapter Report – Carl Sobczak – Last meeting included a presentation about water rights by Mark Spratt. Todd Morgan talked at next meeting on SAF Code of Ethics.

Libby Chapter Report – Russ Gautreaux – Indicated that attendance has been good. Last meeting was business meeting only. Brainstorming and strategic planning. The chapter is working on tree planting activities. Libby is a Tree City USA. They are also working on educational activities. Still doing stewardship activities at J. Neils Park. Outreach, education. The chapter is looking at a joint meeting with the Flathead in April. We maybe look at the Ed Levert property.

Missoula Chapter Report – Beth Dodson – Meeting spot has been a problem and so has the caterer. The new location is Ruby's. For May there will be a picnic at Fort Missoula. A Forestry Days in 4/26 27. 4/26 Forestry Conclave.

Student Chapter Report – No Report

Past Chair Report – Tim Love for Peter Kolb

Awards Committee Report – Tim Love – Forester of year, Field forester award Doug W. The tribe will receive an Annual Award for Excellence in Forestry. 50 year

award pulled together for Don Nelson at next meeting. Tim and Holly working on Fellows, Ted Giese and John Manz. Nomination of John Manz by Tim Love.

Policy Committee Report – Gordy Sanders – National working on climate change white paper. Need to monitor up coming state session. SAF usually sponsors a legislative breakfast for the senators.

Communications Report – Jason Brandt – sent press release. A motion was made to reimburse Todd Morgan for providing beer at Leadership. Motion passed.

Newsletter Report – Cherri Hartless – No Report.

Membership Report – John Casselli – No Report

Mentor Report – Vacant - No Report

Foresters Fund Report – Gordy Sanders – No report

Historian Report – Scott Kuehn – No report

Science and Technology Report – John Goodburn – No Report

CFE Report – Pat Heffernan – Pat will be the new chair. CFE credits were requested for the state meeting.

Website Report – Sherri McWilliams - No Report

Education Report– Cindy Bertek – No report

Old Business

Todd did good job on ethics talk at Leadership

New Business

Put a calendar on state web site of important dates. Motion made to make copies of Tim's SAF Resource book for chapters. The book has all pertinent SAF info for officers.

State Meeting – Rod Brevig has been asked to provide a council report on chapter progress. He indicated that National is looking for ways to assist chapters. Holly and ECM talked about details of the meeting.

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