



AFS BioEngineering Section Monthly ExCom Meeting Notes

Date Tuesday, April 9, 2019. 3:00-4:00 pm EST (12:00-1:00 pm PST)

Meeting: Monthly BES ExCom Meeting

Location: Conference Call Line - +1 (877) 602-3943 (Passcode 421809)

Subject: Meeting Notes

1. Attendance

- Current BES Officers
 - Dana Postlewait – President (present)
 - Mike Garelo – Past President (present)
 - Dan Giza – President Elect (present)
 - Jessica Pica – Secretary/Treasurer (present)
- BES Committee Representatives
 - Kathy Hoverman – AFS/BES - ASCE/EWRI Joint Committee Chair (present)
 - Randy Beckwith – BES Technology Committee Chair (present)
 - Patrick O'Rouke – BES Resource Policy Committee Chair (present)
 - Gordon Clark – BES Digital Media Chair (present)

2. Call meeting to order:

- Quorum
- Approve meeting notes:
 - 3/12/19 meeting notes – Dana motioned, Jessica second
 - 3/22/19 meeting notes – Dana motioned, Jessica second

3. Revisions to Agenda

4. Announcements

5. Treasurer's Report

- Account Balances:
 - General Business Account
 - Checking: \$20,810.90
 - Ned Taft Award Fund - \$1,734.57
 - In the past \$1,000 given to 1 student but need to investigate if more than 1 student can receive
 - Expenses:
 - Distinguished project of the year award plaque \$360 reimbursement check to Jean Castillo cashed 4/1/19.
 - \$5 monthly maintenance fee for Ned Taft account – will investigate in future
 - Account transition status
 - Jessica has access to BoA online account. Signatory process in the works.

6. BES Business

- **Digital Media**
 - Web page
 - Bylaws to include digital media subcommittee
 - Website update will include ExCom and Committee Chairs contact information, meeting agenda and notes, comparison of BES and joint committee, etc.
 - All information/documents will be on web page by June except for communities page.
 - Dana and Gordon set up list of priorities and what needs to be done as shared google doc.
 - Listserve
 - move to web community
 - Copyrights, moderator, MOU with ASCE
 - Kathy waiting to hear back from Rachel
 - Gordon and Dana to share draft listserve list with Kathy

- Social Media
 - Science-Communication Section – reach out to Solomon David
 - Keep on list, discuss again after web sites work.
 - see 1/29/19 ExCom notes for details

- Logo
 - Keep on list for future
 - see 1/29/19 ExCom notes for list

- Digital Media List
 - See web page update.

- **Committee Updates**
 - Technology Committee (Chair – Randy Beckwith)
 - AFS Innovations in Fisheries Bioengineering Symposia
 - Limited to 15 presenters, list of potential presenters provided.
 - Roughened Channel Workshop
 - No workshop this year but Mike Love is giving a talk.

 - Education Committee (Chair – TBD)
 - See August meeting notes
 - Put on next annual meeting agenda to nominate chair, will send notices and post on web page once working

 - AFS-BES/ASCE-EWRI Joint Fish Passage Committee (Chair – Kathy Hoverman)

 - Resource Policy Committee (Chair - Patrick O'Rourke)
 - RPC meeting update
 - Restarting Recovering America's Wildlife Act
 - AFS acting on Waters of the United States Rule
 - Revamping old policy statements on dam removals from 1999-2004, update with literature and regulatory constraints

- **BES Membership Involvement**

- Webmaster.
- Committee chairs: Education Committees.
- Joint Fish Passage Committee Webinars. Send ideas for new topics and recruit speakers.
- Symposia, workshops, publications, and technologies

- **Updating Bylaws**
 - Dana brief on Bylaws – Dana working on, deliverable goal by June
 - Dana brief on BES Annual Calendar – Mike working on, deliverable goal by June

- **Administrative, Reporting**
 - The new Governing Board Reporting Tool is active as of 3/22/19, per email from Eva Przygodzki
 - Dana tested and it works, discuss past history with Mike, then inform ExCom

- **Leader Line – Monthly Newsletter**
 - Only Dana receives so he will forward to ExCom and committee chairs in future

7. Conferences/Training Opportunities

- 4th Dam Removal Europe Seminar, May 22-23, 2019 Parnu, Estonia.
 - See email from Herman Wanningen
 - Focused on European countries

- AFS-TWS 2019 Annual Meeting, Reno, Nevada. Sept 29-Oct 3, 2019.
 - Deadlines
 - Paper and Poster Abstracts: Apr 19, 2019 (was extended)
 - Awards Nomination: May 1, 2019
 - Courses/Symposia
 - Innovations in Fisheries Bioengineering – Blending Ecology, Engineering, and Policy to Address Current Challenges Symposia proposal submitted
 - Dam Removal Training Workshop
 - Dana motioned for BES to fund \$2,000 of \$3,000 travel for two instructors and hopes Cal-Nev could provide remaining \$1,000, Mike second
 - Maybe find a west coast person to help Laura?

- Dana to contact Laura Wildman about approval, loop Mike into conversation.
 - For more details see 3/22/19 meeting notes.
 - Travel Awards – see email dated 3/28/19 from Lauren Maza to get the word out.
 - Send emails to the BES membership in May then announce on web page in June.
- World Fish Migration Day, May 16, 2020.
 - <https://www.worldfishmigrationday.com/>
- Fish Passage 2020. Lisbon, Portugal. June 29 – July 3, 2020
- AFS 2020 Annual Meeting, Columbus, Ohio. Aug 30 – Sept 3 (AFS 150th Anniversary)
 - 150th Anniversary AFS Section Exhibit
 - Received additional information from Jim Reynolds
 - Create committee and get organized by June/July
 - Add living document to web page for idea sharing
 - Discuss on next monthly call

8. Next Meeting

- 2nd Tuesday of each month – May 14, 2019 at 12 EST / 9 PST

9. Adjourn

Action Items

1. Ned Taft Award
 - Need to recruit volunteers to help replenish funds, Mike to follow up, April 1 post funds
 - Email recruitment notice in May
 - Post recruitment notice in early June once website is working
2. Change bank signatory
3. Web page
 - Dana to verify access for Randy and Jessica
 - Dana to provide Beth our emails for access for shared document
 - Add 150th anniversary living document

- Gordon to contact Rachel about the BES priority task list for updating the web page and potential overlapping components between the groups web pages
- 4. Listserve
 - Kathy to continue coordinate with Rachel (Copyrights, moderator, MOU with ASCE)
 - Gordon and Dana to share draft listserve with Kathy
- 5. Social media
 - Reach out to Solomon David (Science-Communication Section) – future
- 6. Education Committee
 - Chair nominations
 - Put on next annual meeting agenda
 - Send notices and post on web page once working
- 7. Update bylaws – include digital media subcommittee – done by June for distribution
- 8. BES annual report filing – Dana to coordinate with Mike
- 9. AFS-TWS 2019 Dam Removal Training Course
 - Dana to contact Laura Wildman about approval, loop Mike in
- 10. Dana to respond to Jesse about relevant TWS working groups
- 11. Dana to reach out to Jesse about conference attendance issues
- 12. Dana contact Lauren Maza, looking for course speakers at Reno – BES can provide access to membership
- 13. AFS 150th Anniversary Exhibit – discuss on next monthly call
- 14. Contact Chris Moffit about Hutton contribution in June
- 15. Sean Landsman will send survey link, ExCom will email to AFS members

Completed Action Items (this period)

1. Roughened channel workshop –Love not putting together workshop but giving a talk