



THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

South Dakota Chapter

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Executive Board Meeting, 31 August 2018

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM (CST)

Call to Order Conference Call at 10:05am

Present: Solem, Markl, Ermer, Magedanz, Pauly, Stafford (Lardy joined 11am)

- Secretary/Treasurer's Report
 - Approval of minutes from last executive board meeting (6/11/18)
 - *Motion to approve by Magedanz; second by Pauly*
 - *All in favor*
 - Approval of Treasurer's report
 - *Motion to approve by Pauly; second by Markl*
 - *All in favor*
- Old Business
 - 2019 Annual Meeting Update (Eric Magedanz)
 - Theme *“Together in Conservation”*
 - Potential Keynote
 - *Howard Vincent- CEO PF*
 - *Other possibilities from DU or Joint Ventures?*
 - Potential Speaker ideas
 - *GFP- Coughlin- partners and role*
 - *USFWS- Kurt Forman*
 - *PF & SD Corn Growers- Matt Morlock & Jim Ristow*
 - *NWTF- Jason Schlaefmann*
 - *NRCS - Zimprich*
 - *Grassland Coalition- Faulstich*
 - *SD Conservation Districts- Angela Ehlers*
 - *Julie DeJong- City Sioux Falls ADC*
 - *Academia- Dr. Rob Lonsinger*
 - Student membership
 - *Reminder: Waive annual membership fee if attend annual meeting*
 - Student Travel Grant/Membership Sponsor Grant
 - Grant application
 - *Created application; available on website; up to \$200*
 - Current applicants
 - *None as of yet*
 - Grant awareness

- *Summer Newsletter; direct email to student chapter president; Stafford to spread the word at SDSU; possibly put on SDSU NRM Facebook; promote at 2019 annual meeting*
- Letters of support/concern:
 - Updated position letters on website
 - *Ermer worked with Mariah Simmons*
 - Current letters
 - *S 3223- sent to Thune & Rounds*
 - *ESA modification- currently being drafted*
- National TWS Annual Conference
 - Flight and hotel reimbursement
 - *Solem attending in Oct; flight booked and hotel booked. Flight costs have been reimbursed. Hotel costs will be reimbursed after the conference.*
- New Business
 - 2019 Annual Meeting Planning
 - Awards
 - *Solem will check with Nathan Baker to see what needs to be done.*
 - *Outstanding MS student; Outstanding PhD student; Professional of the Year; Citizen Award*
 - Attendance/Recruitment
 - *Discussion on how to improve*
 - Photo contest
 - *2018 winner- Canvas print ordered and received. Solem was reimbursed for the purchase.*
 - *Fall 2018 Newsletter- announcement for 2019 contest*
 - Potential meeting sponsors
 - *Discuss more in November*
 - Review check list
 - *Solem updated board on responsibilities.*
 - Annual meeting fundraising (Ben Lardy)
 - *Game Night – try a few new/different games*
 - *45 min to hour*
 - *Possibly 2 guns like last year for prizes*
 - *Donations- start about 3 months prior*
 - *Lardy will look into gun options.*
 - *Gun Raffle- 1 upper end gun*
 - *Silent Auction items- Fall 2018 Newsletter*
 - *Auction- Solem/Magedanz as auctioneer*
 - *Gay Simpson print, carvings*
 - Upcoming TWS Newsletter- Fall/Winter 2018
 - *Conference review- dates*
 - *Meeting theme reveal*
 - *Comments from Solem regarding national TWS meeting*
 - *Get involved- upcoming board positions open; committees*

*Motion to Adjourn by Ermer; second by Magedanz
Meeting Adjourned at 11:21am*