

SRM Advisory Council - Summer Conference Call Notes and Minutes
July 10, 2018 7-10-18, 9:00 AM MST

Introductions and Roll Call: Chair Anthony Perlinski (NE), Chair Elect Andrew Brischke (AZ), Josh Saunders (CO), Maura Lavery (PNW), Clare Hydock (CO), Rixey Jenkins (NV), Brian Christensen (WY), Dan Nosal (CO), Mindy Nicoletti (CalPac), Delane Atcity (NARAC), Vicky Trujillo (SRM);

(if you were on the call but don't see your name here please contact Anthony/Vicky)

Ethics Taskforce:

- Started in St. George. There is currently no repercussions when a person violates the code of ethics.
- Can be a hindrance to early career individuals when trying to voice concerns
- BOD will have documents ready for AC to review (hopefully) by the annual meeting

SRM Advisory Council Handbook:

- http://rangelands.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/advisorycouncilhandbook-as-revised-2-10-18_FINAL_draft.pdf
- Please review in the next 24 hours and send a vote to approve (yay/nay) to aperlinski@csc.edu I will "tally" votes and if we approve the handbook I'll work with Vicky to remove the Draft label.
- Board will vote to ratify at the Summer Board meeting;
- Tony will send the final draft to the Board for review prior to the Summer Board meeting;

Annual Meetings and Board of Directors proposal:

- SRM normally plans 5 to 6 years in advance of the meetings but currently only a year and a half out; SRM Parent Society is proposing a format where the Parent Society takes on some of the more logistical tasks of planning (contracts, room assignments, AV, etc.);
- BOD not ready to put forward a formal document to AC yet but is in the works;
- Early in the process of developing this proposal; would like Section input so as to be able to produce a proposal that is satisfactory and fair for both Parent Society and Sections;
- Question raised (AZ) as to what the percentage cuts would be between Sections and Parent Society if the proposal is implemented;
- General feedback is that Sections are receptive to the Parent Society providing the ability to handle the more administrative tasks so that they can focus on the technical side;
- Question raised as to whether or not this model for Parent Society assistance already exists;
- The proposal would need to clearly state what the role for both the Parent Society and the Sections are responsible for and how that affects percentages;
- Also would like to have more input regarding what locations are acceptable for hosting the meetings; Vicky explained the reason for why the locations may be limited to lower tier (smaller) locations;
- Please send feedback regarding this proposal to Tony to compile and send to the board for consideration in development;

Section Updates: All Sections have access to real-time membership information for their respective Sections; if you don't, or if you don't know who has access, shoot Vicky an email and we will get you set up with access and instructions;

WY: concerned regarding membership retention; a lot of members join but don't renew; would like Parent Society assistance with how to address;

PNW: Ongoing conversations with President Irving regarding membership retention as well as reduction in cost of membership for Students once they graduate to encourage retention once they graduate;

NV: Will be discussing what Parent Society can do to assist them; have not planned winter meeting yet;

CalPac: Just finish Summer Meeting and Range Camp; well attended;

CO: Good tour, partnered with Pawnee Buttes Seed; working on updating website and membership; working on Fall Meeting in November in Palisade CO; working to engage the "younger" members to keep them interested and involved so they are more likely to remain as active members;

AZ: Summer meeting coming up; partnering with; will provide recommendations for the Board until they have their Board meeting; focusing more on ranchers/producers to increase membership and engagement for this key demographic; Winter meeting will be joint with NM but still finalizing dates and topics; also revising Bylaws so that important details like providing Officers info to parent society don't fall through the cracks;

NE: Low attendance for Youth Range Camp; Short Course try to attract producers but primarily agency attendance; will have winter meeting discussion regarding potential of hosting and annual meeting;

NAARC: Diana Doan Crider will be meeting to assess needs of Tribal leaders; meeting late in July; working on youth outreach and how to bring them into SRM and retain them as members; possible bison tour during AM20 in Denver;

Other:

- Will try to set up another AC Call about a month in advance of the Annual Meeting to solidify the agenda as well as shorten the AC meeting at the Annual Meeting;
- Please make sure to send updated Officer Information to Tony and Vicky;