

Wyoming Section Council Meeting Minutes  
March 8, 2006

Next meeting, April 7, 2006 9 to noon.

In the absence of minutes the Treasurer Report was read. Auction money goes to youth education. Horse money goes to general fund. We did show a net cash flow for 2005. The Treasurer report will be amended to split \$625 from youth activities and transfer to general fund. Motion to accept by Demont, second by Justin. Amended: motion by Demont second by Monte. Approved.

Website: Marji working on website. Wants to buy a domain name, cost is \$25 year cost. \$240 year cost to host website.

Budget request: Charlie showed that the proposed income is less than expenses. Biggest concern is with Range School. Joe Hicks indicated that what was proposed is without any outside funding. It is not the intent to be in the red with Range School. Joe is asking for the council to let them operate the way they have been operating. Joe presented his budget as a worst case. We did not get the Commissioner funds for WYRED. Need to move up the budget request proposals by the Annual meeting. This would then make it possible so by the Jan/Feb. council meeting approvals could be given. It was decided to agree with WYRED budget and defer the budget of HSYF and Range School until the next meeting. Need a budget for the winter meeting also. This will be submitted by Monte at the April 7 meeting. Budget: Demont moved to approve the budget as presented and to defer HSYF, RMS and winter meeting to the April 7 meeting date. Second by Justin. Approved.

Committee re-organization: I&E Committee. Reviewed the structure and mission of the committee and with that the sub-committee in I&E. Membership is not part of I&E. It is separate and may look at a liason between the Membership committee and I&E. The use of an Arrangements sub-committee would be beneficial to help plan and carryout the annual meetings. At April meeting Justin, Rick and Monty will put together a group of names to help prepare for the upcoming Annual meeting.

Quilt: Charlie has the quilt at the house. Ticket sales are moving along. Quilt raffle tickets stubs and money should go to the Treasurer. This can then be accounted for. The money generated by the Range Club is being asked to be retained by the Range Club. We need to have the quilt displayed at some high exposure County fairs and other events where we are going to be at. Rick will contact Pete Guernsey if quilt can be displayed at the WYGF Expo.

Vancouver: Advisory Council update. Only two prepared proposals. Rangeland cup was approved. The rest of the day was very un-eventful. Accepted Denver in 2010 and Albuquerque in 2009. There was an eruption type of discussion by the Advisory Council that the Board of Directors does not consider or pay attention to their input. There is a

feeling that the Advisory Council does not do anything or make anything happen. Issues being discussed in the hallways are not being brought forward to the Advisory Council to interact with the Board. There is some confusion on the role of the Advisory Council. The SRM publication Rangelands is under some controversy due to it being produced in the red. There is still some question on if the Vancouver meeting was profitable. The other issue had to do with only holding the International meeting at bigger cities.

Annual Section Meeting - Monty. Wants to go with a Wildlife/Rangeland theme. Looking at either Douglas or Sheridan. Also looking at sometime in November. Monty looking for ideas on other Wildlife organization to cooperate with. Need to focus down on a particular type of wildlife or format.

Old Business – Status of Bronze. Dave Beard has it at his home. Still need to get into a gallery. Will contact gallery owner

Awards at the National Level are due April 30<sup>th</sup>. There should be folks in Wyoming that are deserving of a Fellow nomination. However, the on-line form is not that friendly to use. Justin will develop a dummy format from what Justin used in the past.

Student event on April 7. Grazing theme. Public land grazing, Range school, etc.

Meeting adjourned.