



## *Wyoming Section Society for Range Management*

Council Meeting  
Conference Call  
02/08/07

Those on the conference call were Monte Bush, Matt Hoobler, Andi Myer, Bob Sprentall, Summer Shultz, Phil Gonzales Patti Slack, Kay Medders, Janell Gonzalez, Branden Brazee, Marji Patz, and Misty Hays.

The minutes were read from the Annual Meeting and the Council meeting that followed the next day. Andi moved and Matt second to approve the minutes. Approved. Since this was not the end of a quarter there was no Treasure Report. Bob will send out the final 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2006 report and the Year End Report.

Monte wanted to personally thank Rick Dunn for all of his efforts on putting together the Annual meeting. There was discussion about the meeting but the comments were very positive about the format of the meeting and having it jointly with the Soil and Water Conservation Association. The Wyoming Association of Conservation Districts has approached Monte in having a joint meeting.

Monte worked with Bobby Frank on how to properly lobby being from a government agency but yet representing the Society for Range Management on the proposal by the Wyoming Legislature in having Blue gramma as the State grass. Monte worked with Bobby in preparing the amendment to have Western wheatgrass as the State grass and had the Wyoming Section SRM as co-sponsors of the amendment. The work that Bobby did in preparing Monte was very valuable.

Who has the Bronze? Phil wanted to take the lead in working with the Range Club Students in selling the bronze. It was decided that Phil was to prepare a business plan that would provided incentives for the students to hold a raffle in selling the bronze. The raffle ticket funds raised in selling the bronze would be put in a line item for the Range Club on our budget sheet. Phil also stated he would also work with the students in selling tickets for the quilt raffle and set a date for the drawing.

WYRED is June 17 through 22. It is going to be in the vicinity of Medicine Bow. The Council meeting will be on Thursday, June 21. There was discussion about having a field trip during WYRED that ties in with the Council meeting. It was also discussed on having a field trip during the Annual meeting.

Summer Shultz was on the call to represent the Young Professional Conclave group. This group could help with Rangeland Cup, URME and maybe even WYRED. Summer gave a briefing on the purpose of the Young Professional Conclave group.

Misty gave an update on the next Annual meeting. It will be a joint meeting with the Wyoming Wildlife Society. The meeting will take place in mid to late November with a location probably in Lander, WY.

The newsletter has not gone out yet. Still working on an article from Monte and Dave Beard. Matt Hoobler will get an article in along with Summer and Patti Slack.

In review and discussion of the Budget, the only question raised concerned the request from the Range Club. We have the funds to support the Range Club, however there needs to be a justification by the Range Club on the amount of request as to who is participating in what activities. Misty brought up the idea of having a set amount to allocate to the Range Club so they know how much to budget for attending the International meeting. Andi suggested on paying for the registration amount for those individual attending. This would give the Range club a fixed amount and they could budget for that amount. WYRED may not get funding from GLCI and the Commissioners License. There needs to be some serious thought given to and trying to locate alternative funding for WYRED. Misty moved to approve the budget and get with the Range club on their request and what future action is being proposed for a fixed amount. Patti second. Motion approved.

Bob Sprentall  
Secretary/Treasure