



Wyoming Section Society for Range Management

Council Meeting
In Person / Live meeting
Poor Boys Restaurant, Casper, WY December 11, 2012

Those in participation were: Ben Bonella, Rachel McGee, Ray and Cindy Gullion, Mary Schrader, Justin McConkey, Misty Hayes, Pete Guernsey, Michelle Buzalsky, Summer Schulz and Marji Patz.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at the Poor Boys Restaurant.

Secretary's report was by-passed, minutes were not ready to be presented. Business meeting minutes were reviewed as well as the Treasurer's Report was given that would be presented to the General Membership during the Business meeting.

Marji gave a report on the non-profit status of the section, we were officially recognized by the State on December 5, 2012. The process is moving forward on submission nationally. Need to finalize financials for 2012 and prepare narratives and finalize the needed changes to the by-laws as slated for the Business Meeting. The council made initial reviews and comments to finalize the by-laws to be presented for general membership vote.

Justin provided a website update, he brought the discussion of ads back to the council with a recommendation of \$90 per ad per period. The motion was made and seconded and the board approved this. Further details will be brought forward at the next council meeting.

Newsletter report – Courtney is resigning or has resigned from this position. The council gave a vote of appreciation for all she has done for the Society. Summer has agreed to complete the task in the interim until we can find a permanent replacement. The board agreed to provide registration for annual meetings and to pay a membership to help with this position.

Budget Committee – Marji reported on the finances and brought the news from Blaine that we have a full budget committee. The Budget Committee will be working to formalize and finalize a budget process and will work with the council to complete a long range plan for financials and the society as a whole.

Michelle provided an annual meeting report on the process of the meeting thus far, seems that everything is going well. Summer on Awards reported that she was able to do past president's plaques and stayed under budget. Ballots were pulled and will be tallied. We need to host a New Member's Meeting next year, and need to work to get people involved.

Summer brought to the council the need to support and gain influence back from the more seasoned members of our organization. She suggested a "seasoned" Task Force be formulated with feedback brought back to the council and general membership. The council gave her the task of formulating this task force and bring information to the board.

Another suggestion brought forward by Summer was based on the theme of Wyoming Made. The council needs to give a theme and need to form a committee to help support this theme in bringing the many range and agricultural producers that exist in Wyoming together to support them.

Student Chapters – the University and other colleges are selling Jackets and we could also sell jackets, however, we need to work to get the Wyoming SRM Logo going in a usable digital format to assist in this process. Need

to ensure we have the parent society's approval to sue the Trail Boss each time and need to talk to Clark McClung to get a formatted Wyoming logo.

Business was concluded for this session and meeting adjourned at 9:36 pm.

Marji Patz
Secretary/Treasurer