Society of American Foresters Granite State Division Executive Committee March 13, 2007

<u>Present</u>: Patrick Hackley - Chair, Dick Weyrick - Vice Chair, Dave Pilla - Past Chair, Matt Tansey - Treasurer, JB Cullen - Past Treasurer, Wendy Scribner - Education Director, Pete Howland - NESAF, George Frame - NESF, Dick Johnston - Tree Farm Rep, & Janice Mulherin - Secretary

Absent:

- I. Patrick Welcomed new members Dick Weyrick and Matt Tansey.
- II. <u>Minutes:</u> Approved
- III. <u>GSD/SAF</u>: Dave Anderson wishes to donate his honorarium (\$200) to Project Learning Tree. Matt will write the check. Possible workshop with Small Business Administration & Sarah Smith for forestry and logging practices. Need mentors to help new/young foresters with pricing jobs and getting experience.
- IV. <u>NESAF</u>: Numbers for winter meeting look good. Patrick to will give a quick update at the Business meeting.
- V. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Matt has signed the new signature card. JB adjusted the budget to reflect the Winter Meeting motion to increase the scholarship amount to \$2,000 and donation to PLT to \$2,000. TD BankNorth is the same location for other SAF accounts. It is easy to access these accounts, we need to be careful that we only access our account and be aware of any activity in our account. The books were audited by George and Janice prior to them getting turned over to Matt. No problems were found, but several recommendations were made (handout given). A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the audit and to require two signatures on the account. The motion also included discontinuing the practice of "pass-through" accounting.
- VI. <u>Tree Farm</u>: Bob Simpson will be in New Hampshire for the May 4th inspectors meeting. There will be 50 inspections needed in New Hampshire this year. NH will continue to inspect its Tree Farms. Outstanding Tree Farm nominations are due.
- VII. All students are covered by sponsors. The sign up sheet worked well. We will still continue to send out letters looking for sponsors.
- VIII. Conservation Easement Donation: Patrick will draft a reply to Chuck Hersey thanking him for asking us, however, we don't feel that is our role or in the best interest of GSD. George and Wendy will work on writing a policy statement supporting conservation easement.
- IX. Newsletter is going out this week. It has only been mailed to National members.
- X. UNH Roundtable discussion: Janice and Patrick will attend.
- XI. We collected \$42.00 at Farm & Forest for Project Learning Tree.

Next meeting: April 10, 2007 at SPNF.

Janice Mulherin Secretary