

Maine Division Society of American Foresters
Executive Committee Meeting
July 12, 2019
106 Nutting Hall, UMaine, Orono

Present: Bill Livingston, Kirby Ellis, Carol Redelsheimer, Karl Honkonen, Laura Audibert, Mike Thompson, Pat Sirios, Kyle Burdick, Bob Cousins, Jake Metzler, Steve Shaler, Ron Lemin (arrived at ~10:00 AM), Erin Simons (arrived ~10:00 AM).

On Zoom: Nicole Rogers, Tony Filauro, Ted Wright.

Absent: Katie Manende Hall.

Kirby called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM with introductions and a brief anti-trust statement.

Fall Meeting

The topics and format of the Certification meeting were discussed at length. It was decided that it would be two days of indoor speakers. Field tours and workshops will be planned for 2020. A survey will be added to the registration packet asking participants which topics they are interested in addressing in workshops or tours.

The meeting will be held on Monday, October 7 and Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at the Wells Conference Center on the UMaine campus. The title will be **Forest Certification: It's Legacy and Future in Maine.**

<the power and phone at UM went down at 10:10 AM and connections with those on the phone were temporarily lost>

The draft agenda, including topics, desired speakers and contact assignments will be put together by Carol based on the morning's discussions. **Carol** will email it to the group.

Groups that help with the meeting organization will have their logo displayed on materials and be listed as sponsors. So far they include SAF, SFR, MFPC, CRSF (Center for Research on Sustainable Forestry), Maine SFI SIC (SFI Implementation Committee), TECF (??) and TCNF (Trust to Conserve Northeast Forestland).

<Steve Shaler left at 11:03, Mike Thompson left at 11:20 and Pat Sirois left at 11:35 AM>

The remainder of the group decided that **Laura** will handle the registrations and Cindy (SFR) will handle arrangements with UM dining services and do the mailing. We will have registration items for one day, two days and ice breaker/dinner.

We need to get the speakers lined up by our August 9, 2019 EC meeting. This meeting will be in person or on Zoom.

<Ted, Jake and Erin left the meeting at 12:10 PM>

Minutes of June 20, 2019 Meeting

Bob motioned to accept the June 20, 2019 minutes, Karl 2nd. Kirby noted that the Adjourn item at the end should read, "Ron motioned to adjourn at 9:34 AM, Karl 2nd." Laura will fix the minutes. Motion was approved to accept amended minutes.

Current Treasurer's Report

Bill had emailed the current report. There were no significant changes since last meeting. No discussion.

Officer Nominations

Carol will confirm with Nicole Rogers that she will run for Chair Elect. Nominees for Member-at-Large will be Tom Coleman, Ron Lemin and Bob Cousins. Bob noted that Don MacKay would like to be a MAL on the 2020 ballot.

Leadership Academy

Our nominees are 1. Shawn Bugbee, 2. Nicole Rogers, 3. Tom Coleman. Karl confirmed that NESAF will pay \$400 per nominee toward attendance.

Forestry Career Flyer

Kyle prepared a career flyer on behalf of MESAF. It was emailed to the group earlier. Kyle will contact Christine Anderson Morehouse (the new PLT Coordinator) about present career info at the next PLT Teacher Tour in Rangeley. Comments on the brochure: Carol noted that only program and degrees are accredited by SAF, not schools; links to the SFR and UMFK programs should be listed; under types of employment, "Forester for industry, forester for family ownerships, etc.;" include procurement and operations foresters; list STEM focus; state that Maine has good jobs.

Field Tours

Ron noted that he lost Nate Siegart and Tony D'Amato as speakers. He will find replacements.

Other Business

Laura asked that members email her a photo and brief bio by July 18 to put on the Leadership Team page on the new website.

Adjourn

Karl motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:32 PM, Carol 2nd. Motion approved.

Bob noted that his field tour was successful and broke even on costs.

Submitted by
Laura Audibert