

16 June 2014 AFS Management Committee Minutes

Voting Members (*italics = absent*): Bob Hughes, John Boreman, Donna Parrish, Ron Essig, Joe Margraf, Jim Armstrong, John Jackson, Vince Travnichek, Hilda Sexauer, *Tom Lang*, Margaret Murphy, *Jesse Trushenski*, Mike Stone.

Nonvoting Members: Doug Austen, Jessica Mistak.

Guests: Tom Bigford, Aaron Lerner, Sarah Gilbert Fox, Shawn Johnston, Beth Beard.

Note: A motion was approved at the 2013 Governing Board meeting to delegate additional authority to the Management Committee to facilitate the Governing Board's ability to focus on issues involving strategic planning, accountability, and the President's plan of work. Even with this delegated authority, the Management Committee is obligated to report to the Governing Board on all decisions. If there is majority approval of the Governing Board, decisions made by the Management Committee can be reopened for discussion and vote by the Governing Board. **Please respond to the President within 2 weeks if you have any questions or concerns with the decisions made by the Management Committee as described in the attached minutes.**

Margraf moved (Stone seconded) to accept the 19 May minutes as written. Motion approved unanimously.

Margraf moved (Essig seconded) to approve new calculator rates for Society annual meetings that would increase rates for non-members. Motion approved unanimously.

Stone moved (Parrish seconded) to approve AFS joining the Council of Aquatic Scientific Societies. Motion approved unanimously.

Margraf moved (Travnichek seconded) to approve sending a letter to USEPA Administrator Gina McCarthy in support of USEPA regulation of greenhouse gas emissions. Boreman suggested adding additional detail from the Society's climate change policy. Motion approved unanimously.

Margraf moved (no second needed because of Committee report) to amend several articles of the Constitution by shifting them to Rules. Motion approved unanimously. **See attached. This will require subsequent Governing Board and membership approval. Comments are needed by 1 July; if there are no substantive concerns, a Governing Board vote will be needed by 15 July. A 2/3 majority is needed to approve these Constitutional amendments.**

Hughes reported that the HaMAR guidelines with the proposed edits and PFIRM document previously approved by the Management Committee were completed and are ready for submission to the Governing Board. **See attached. We are seeking formal approval of those guidelines by the Governing Board.**

Essig indicated that the Fisheries Education Committee expects to complete its *Fisheries* draft article in late June and that there are complications in interpreting required and recommended university fisheries coursework.

Hughes indicated that the revised draft mining policy and responses to comments had been sent to the policy co-authors and the Resource Policy Committee. It should be ready for Governing Board approval in July.

Because of time limits, Austen recommended reading his written ED report (**see attached**) and focusing on the Taylor & Francis Contract presentation by Aaron Lerner. Aaron outlined the financial details of the contract, which generates a substantial portion of the Society income and provides better service and income than the previous Allen Press contract.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30PM ET.