



The North Central Chapter

Society of Wetland Scientists

MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Call in Number/Access Code: **877-860-3058/ 117 224 7566 (SWS Conference line)**

1. Call to order

9:03 cdt

2. Determination of quorum

Julie, Karen, Joy, Christina, Dave, and Jessie – quorum has been met

3. Approval of Minutes from 1/19/2018 Board Meeting

Motion to approve – Christina

Joy seconds

Motion passes

4. Financial report

NA Eric not present

5. Standing Committee Reports

a) Membership Committee –Jessie

no separate write-up, but as of that week there were 482 total members, 28 more than our Jan. meeting

b) Program Committee - Julie

Bree is working on NCC survey to include data onto our webpage. Please help find others to complete the survey.

Wetlands of Distinction is still in process, won't be till the end of the year until website is released.

c) Awards Committee – Karen

Travel awards application closed – 6 applications, from 5 states. Need volunteers to score. Joy, Dave, and Jessie volunteer.

Discussion about how to get more students to apply, appeal to NCC state representatives?
Christina mentions that professors may not have their students apply because they have grant money to send their students.

d) Nominations Committee – Dave

Dave and Bree need a student to nominate! So please ask around. Dave can ask around to our past featured students, need to elect someone by May.

6. Old/Current Business

a) 2018 Chapter meeting / Other options

Joy – Indiana meeting place from 2012 may be available. The guy there is asking us to come back.

Dave – may be getting late to do for this year, for a new space anyways.

Julie – Change time of year? March maybe? Bring up at Denver meeting? Video conference?

Newsletter – ask students or board members about any research they'd like to share over video conference platform? Can we pick a date? Weds. Oct. 24 sounds good for a video conference.

Have things together for a video conference by Denver meeting. Ask participants to present 20-minute presentations, offer free memberships to students that present. Dave mentions we have 20 free memberships. We could do another video conference in spring if there is a good response.

b) Chapter Development Grant write-up

SWS needs to know our progress. Thanks to Dave for writing the grant, it has increased membership. Thanks Jessie for Facebook photo contest and write-up in newsletter about the winner. Thanks Eric for the membership award. Working on state wetland group memberships for OH, WI, MI, and MN. Julie will open up discussion with them about collaboration.

7. New Business

a) Next Chapter meeting at SWS Annual Meeting in Denver CO

Weds. May 30, Jessie, Eric, Joy, Dave, and Christina will attend. Julie will send out draft agenda. Ask about volunteers for the open committees at the meeting.

b) Other new business

Next newsletter? Mid-May? Julie will check in with Jen.

8. Meeting Adjournment

9:41 cdt