

SDAFS Small Impoundments Technical Committee

February 7, 2013

Agenda

Suite 4
Sheraton Hotel - Downtown
Nashville, TN

1:00 PM Call to Order

- 1) Self introduction of Committee members
- 2) Current membership
- 3) Reading and approval of the Biloxi meeting minutes
- 4) Treasurer report and status

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) Small Impoundment Management in North America – Done!
- 2) Fund raising for book project –Final report
- 3) Southeastern Pond Management Work Group?
- 4) Other old business

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Member updates: what's going on?
- 2) Ideas for future activities
- 3) Committee priorities for 2013
- 4) Elections (Jeremy at end of 2-year term)
- 5) Other new business

ADJOURN No later than 5:00 PM

Meeting Minutes

The annual meeting of the Small Impoundments Committee (SIC) was called to order at 1:00 pm on 2/7/13 in Nashville, TN by Chair Wes Neal.

Introduction of Committee Members and Guests

All members and guests introduced themselves. Committee members in attendance were:

Wes Neal – Mississippi State University
Jeremy Shiflet – Kentucky DFWR
Hal Beard – South Carolina DNR
Keith Weaver – Georgia DNR
Dave Rizzuto – TWRA
Graves Lovell – Alabama DCNR
Jessica Baumann – North Carolina WRC

Guests/Proxies in attendance were:

Ross Self – South Carolina DNR
Gene Gilliland – Oklahoma DWC
Eric Brennan – Oklahoma DWC
Brad Johnston – Oklahoma DWC
Craig Bonds – Texas
Michael Homer – Texas
Nathan Warden – TWRA
Kyle Rachels – UAPB
Tony Fernando – UAPB
Mike Maceina – Auburn
Jim Rice – North Carolina State University
Mike Isel – VDGIF

Current Membership

A sign in sheet was passed around for the SIC. Wes reviewed the new list for state representatives and we discussed the official addition of members from the private sector and universities.

Biloxi Minutes

The meeting minutes from 2012 in Biloxi were read. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Dave Rizzuto and was seconded by Jim Rice. The motion passed with no objections.

Treasurers Report

The 2012 financial report was presented to the committee. There were no comments or concerns regarding the report.

Old Business

Small Impoundment Management in North America

Wes Neal updated the committee on the progress of the book *Small Impoundment Management in North America*. The book is complete and available for purchase. Wes described the publishing process and given the SIC funds generated for publishing the book the SIC will receive 3.5% of books sales.

Fund raising for book project

Jeremy and Wes talked about the donations received. All total the SIC generated \$8,150 toward publishing of the textbook. This was about 1/3 of the total publishing cost. Donations were obtained from state agencies, state AFS chapters and one university AFS sub-unit. The organizations who donated and the amount are below.

Arkansas Chapter AFS \$500
Arkansas Game and Fish Commission \$1,000
Colorado Dept of Natural Resources \$300
Georgia Dept of Natural Resources \$1,000
Mississippi Chapter AFS \$500
Mississippi State Chapter AFS \$100
North Dakota Game and Fish Dept \$500
Oklahoma Chapter AFS \$500
Oklahoma Dept of Wildlife Conservation \$1,000
Southern Division AFS \$500
State of South Dakota \$1,000
Texas Chapter AFS \$1,000
Virginia Chapter AFS \$250

Southeastern Pond Management Workgroup

Wes brought up the idea of a work group made up of folks from across the southeast that work together on research. The work group could also submit data that they routinely collect to create a private pond management database. We could then solicit a volunteer to analyze the data. Jim Rice suggested we narrow our focus to several key issues instead of collecting vast amounts of data on many subjects that may never be of any practical use. The idea was tabled for the time being and Wes will send out an email after SDAFS to the committee to move forward.

Other Old Business

The idea of expanding the SIC official membership to the private and university sector was brought up again. It was decided the committee members could contact people they think may like to be a part of the committee and gauge interest. If additional people are identified Wes can contact the SDAFS president and request official membership for the individuals.

New Business

Member updates: what's going on?

State updates were presented by committee representatives or proxies from MSU, KY, VA, AL, TX, SC, NC, TN, NCSU, GA, and OK. Topics were discussed as applicable.

Ideas for future activities

The committee discussed ideas for future activities. Wes brought up the idea of a pond management workshop that Dave mentioned in 2012. The committee discussed what specifically the workshop should/could address. Jeremy suggested hosting a symposium at an upcoming SDAFS meeting and then following with a workshop that moves in the direction determined by the symposium. That idea garnered support from the committee and it was decided the SIC would host a Progressive Pond Management symposium in 2015. We discussed involving the private sector and possibly addressing aquatic vegetation management in addition to fish population management/manipulation. Wes suggested forming a small sub-committee to organize the symposium as we get closer to that time.

Committee Priorities for 2013

The committee discussed the SIC priorities we set for 2012. 1) Improve Pond Management Education; 2) Revamp the SIC webpage; and 3) Address new/cutting edge pond management techniques/methods. We decided that the priorities set in 2012 could be carried over into 2013.

Elections

Jeremy's term as Secretary/Treasurer has ended. He was willing to serve another term if no other committee member would like the position. Graves made a motion to elect Jeremy to another term. Mike Isel seconded and Jeremy was elected without opposition.

Other New Business

There was no other New Business

Adjourn

Graves made a motion to adjourn, Mike Isel seconded. The meeting adjourned at 4:30pm.

Treasurers Report

AFS - SOUTHERN DIVISION
Small Impoundments Committee
2012 Financial Report

Beginning Balance as of January 1, 2012 **\$5,135.56**

Income		
2/1/2012	1 check for book contribution (SDAFS)	\$500.00
2/24/2012	2 checks for book contribution (MSAFS, TXAFS)	\$1,000.00
3/14/2012	2 checks for book contribution (OKDWC, CO DNR)	\$1,300.00
4/13/2012	3 checks for book contribution (VCAFS, MSUAFS, ARAFS)	\$850.00
7/17/2012	Service Fee credit	\$4.00
7/24/2012	Service Fee credit	\$2.00

Total \$3,656.00

Expenses		
5/21/2012	Check image service fee	\$2.00
6/21/2012	Check image service fee	\$2.00
7/23/2012	Check image service fee	\$2.00
7/31/2012	Check to AFS for textbook publishing	\$8,150.00

Total \$8,156.00

Ending Balance as of December 31, 2012 **\$635.56**

Textbook Contribution

Details

<u>Contributor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Oklahoma Chapter of AFS	\$500
Georgia Department of Natural Resources	\$1,000
State of South Dakota	\$1,000
North Dakota Game and Fish Department	\$500
Texas Chapter AFS	\$1,000
Arkansas Game and Fish Commission	\$1,000
Southern Division AFS	\$500
Mississippi AFS	\$500

Colorado Department of Natural Resources	\$300
Mississippi State University Subunit	\$100
Arkansas Chapter AFS	500
Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation	1000
Viginia Chapter of AFS	250
Total	\$8,150