September 11, 2018 4:00PM
Alaska State SAF Teleconference
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Draft Minutes

The meeting was recorded by FreeTeleconference.com (Northwest Office Account). Minutes were typed by K Pyne (note the minutes are not verbatim).

Attendance:
- Northwest Office: L. Rasor
- Yukon River: J. Douse, J. Yarie and A. Davis
- Cook Inlet: K. Winterberger
- Juneau: J. Holte and B. Kleinhenz

Chair of the Meeting: J. Douse (State Chair)

Review of the Minutes: Draft July Minutes had been previously sent out Constant Contact. Draft minutes still need to be finalized.

Review of the Agenda: no changes

Announcement:
- HSD is scheduled for Oct 2\textsuperscript{nd} at the National SAF Meeting. National SAF Meeting is Oct 3-7\textsuperscript{th}. Fourteen Alaskan SAF members have registered. J. Douse will send an email invite to attendees for an evening gathering. L. Rasor is invited to attend the Alaska SAF night.
- Need an Alaska SAF representative on the Northwest Office Membership Committee.
- Federal Register Vol. 83 No. 169 August 30, 2018 Proposed Rules Notice to prepare an environmental impact statement. Comments to the USFS EIS proposal addressing the roadless rule are due by Oct 15
- Governor Walker established Alaska Roadless Rule Citizens Advisory Committee.

Northwest Office: Lori relayed that she is working on the National SAF Convention. Her position is 50% National SAF and 50% Northwest Office. Currently there are 1373 registered to attend which is ahead of last year’s numbers. Should be getting an influx of Federal and Student registering. Not sure is there will be 2000 attendees.

- Forester Fund Raffle: T. Moser is looking for items. Also need volunteers to help with selling tickets etc. M. Michaud has signed up to volunteer for the raffle. Also need volunteers for the session assessments.
  - J. Douse volunteered to pick up an item to bring down to the Forester Fund Raffle from the Alaska SAF Society. Approved that J. Douse will purchase an item and Alaska SAF will reimburse J. Douse. Cook Inlet is also sending an item for the fund.
• Western Forester Silviculture issue is in the mail. This issue will be included with the National SAF Conference packet. Green Diamond (Washington) contributed $500 to pay for the extra printing.

• Inlet Empire has given notice that they will be pulling out of the Northwest Office on Jan. 1, 2019. Will be working on a transition plan including the budget implementation. Holding a strategy meeting November 14. The Northwest Office Committee will be meeting later in November.

• Oregon SAF Fun Run is September 21st. The event is located at the Oregon State University Funds will benefit the Oregon SAF.

Council/Board Report: T. Hanson was not in attendance.

Committees

• Policy: B. Kleinhenz relayed that the only policy issue is the Ballot Measure #1.

• Treasurer: K. Winterberger relayed $5192.63 which contains the Forester Fund monies for the Legislative Breakfast. He received $2107.20 which is 80% of the total $2634.00. Upon evaluation will receive the 20%. Will send the funds to the Juneau Chapter.

• Workforce Committee: planning on a meeting in October. Sent out a doodle poll and survey asking what the committee members wish i.e. technician training combination...

Chapter Reports

• Yukon SAF the Chapter hasn’t met since last spring due to the Summer field session. Plan for the first meeting in September (next Tuesday). During the summer, the Chapter help to host the Tanana Fair booth.

• Cook Inlet – the Chapter held their last Thursday meeting at Peggy’s. there was a large turnout. The members talked about trying to involve the Forest Entomology group with the State Alaska SAF meeting. Both groups are holding a meeting next year in Anchorage. Also talked about money and the seedling situation. Currently the Chapter is planting and caring for its own seedling program. The seedlings are located at the Palmer Plant Material Center. Right now, the Center is not charging for the space. The Chapter has paid for the potting soil, seedling cells and the equipment/supplies. There has been a lot of interest in purchasing seedlings grown in the State.

• Juneau: The Chapter has held monthly meetings all summer. Attendance has been good at the meeting. May have new members due to the Federal turnover. Set up a sub-committee to work on the Legislative Breakfast. Still working on various topics for the Breakfast. Few ideas include Economics, bark Beetle, Proposition #1, big timber sales, tariffs and wildland fire. Looking for contact information to hand out to the politicians during the meeting. Plan on handing out position papers. Only have 45 minutes so will need to limit the topics. Action Item: discuss Legislative Breakfast at the October SAF teleconference.

• Sitka and Dixon Entrance: were not in attendance.
Old Business

- ¼ page advertisement for the Western Forester.
- **Forester Fund project and Funding**: discussed during the Juneau Chapter
- **Website**: J. Douse will send K. Winterberger the FRPA position and State Meeting for the website.

New business

- Proposition #1 and Forest Resource Practices Act (FRPA) and the need to send out letters to the Community newspapers and how Prop 1 will affect Forestry from a Forester’s perspective. Discussed the clients and employer conflict. Looking for a SAF member to put their name on the letter - FRPA is best for Forestry operation and describe all the work and science that was done in the development of FRPA. The Alaska SAF position paper was based on the Board of Forestry’s finding that was put forth to the Governor.
- 2019 Officers: need Alaska SAF Chair Elect. Reminder for Chapters to start working on voting for new Chapter officers.

Next Meeting

**October 9 4 pm**