

APPROVED Minutes
Michigan Society of American Foresters
State Society Meeting
Franklin Square Inn. Houghton, Michigan. 16 May 2012.

Attendance: Approximately 20 people.

Call to order: 4:36

Meeting was brought to order by Joyce Angel.

Joyce reviewed the anti-trust statement and reminded the committee that there will be no discussion about timber prices.

Agenda – Joyce Angel

The agenda was reviewed; item 10a changed to Green Fire, not Green Book. A motion to approve the amended agenda was made by Don Howlett.

Second: Terry Manty.

Passed with a chorus of ayes.

2012 Executive Committee Update – Joyce Angel

At this time we need nominations for State Vice-Chair. So far only John Hamel is nominated. State Treasurer and Education Fund Chair are also vacant positions.

Secretary's Report – Jason Darling

Minutes were passed out and reviewed. Revisions were taken. Bernie Hubbard made a motion to approve the minutes.

Second: Jerry Rose.

Passed with a chorus of ayes.

Treasurers Report – Jack Pilon

Jack was absent. Passed out the report. Several questions were brought forth about the budget. The question about how dues are allocated to Michigan was asked by Larry Leefers. We will need more detail about this report to clarify questions.

Education Fund Report – Josh Wall

Josh was absent. No report.

Council Report/Presentation – Ernie Houghton

A presentation was given to the group which was developed by Bill Rockwell. The new leadership of SAF is based on the book “Good to Great”. Contact Ernie for more details or a copy of the presentation.

LP Chapter Report – Doug Lee

Looking for Fall Conference topics. Send a note to Doug Lee if you have ideas. The meeting will be centrally located within the state. Some possible topics were brought forth: Technology – handheld tools, processor monitoring; Affective communication; Guidance to SAF members about national issues. The website has a list of previous topics so we don't repeat.

UP Chapter Report – Terry Manty

The UP supported the auto tour and sponsored a teacher through MFA, pending budget.

Greenfire – Joyce Angel

The screening license for the Aldo Leopold Green Fire DVD was purchased. SAF promotes this. The material was shown at Hartwick Pines and was received well. Contact Joyce for more details.

2012 MFA Teacher Workshop

Both Chapters have supported this workshop, pending budget details.

New Business

Proposed Deregulation of Foresters

Discussion was made about the implications of this deregulation. No official position was taken, however this is an opportunity to publicize.

Motion to adjourn was made by Dean Reid.

Second: Jason Darling

Meeting was adjourned at 5:35 PM