

## **FSA Meeting Minutes**

02/04/2017

Holiday Inn Parkside, Yellowstone Conference Room, Missoula, MT

16:15 to 17:11, 56 minutes

**Mission Statement:** The Forestry Scholarship Association will serve and support the students and student organizations of the College of Forestry and Conservation at the University of Montana through financial and non-financial contributions, student scholarships, mentorship, and advocacy.

Attendance: Mary-Ellen Reyna (MER), Emma VanVlack (EV), Josh VanVlack (JV), Eric Hoberg (EH), Jason Parke (JP), Jonah Vaughan (JoV), Steve Wake, Myrl Nardinger (MN), Bonnie Nardinger, Bruce Jacobsen, Seth Romocki, Scott Kuehn, Alex Williams (AW), Emily Onderbeke, Kyle Johnson (KJ), Ron Wakimoto (RW), George Hirchenberger (GH), Cory Noordermeer (CN), Steve Shuck (SS), Kevin Campbell, Beth Dodson (BD), Dave Wanderaas (DW)

Call to order: EH @ 1615

History of FSA: AW

Introductions: All

Treasurers Report: \$1,489.49 savings, \$1,294.72 checking, \$300 donations this weekend

Memorial Scholarship: Dave Wanderaas – Memorail Scholarship for those who have passed on, maybe too soon. 1 pager remembrance. Told story of gal worked he with at the Chugach NF. Her and her brother passed away in car accident on trip to Kalispell on their way home to Thanksgiving. CFC and UM Foundation don't necessarily recognize those kind of scholarships, you're not quite sure where your money is going to go. Takes \$10K to set up an endowed scholarship. Proposes FSA set up a scholarship fund for smaller scholarships recognizing these various folks recognizing that other venues not able to handle smaller donations for scholarships.

- Discussion: SS – Sizable plaque with people who've already been memorialized at CFC. DW – not a note or a write-up besides a name on a plaque. CN – issue of appearing to siphon money away from the CFC. MN – where does that money go? BD – has to go through the UM Foundation. Donor is able to specify where that money goes. General donations of money is unrestricted.

Community Forestry Day: AW – Most successful to date. 550 people, 14 presenters.

New Building at Fort Missoula for Woodsmen's Team: EH – need a new shed, theft occurred in the past.

Forestry Day at Fort Missoula/Pro-Am timber sports show: EH – 21<sup>st</sup> annual, will be held 28<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> April

Student Recreation Association (SRA) Spaghetti Dinner: EH – on 28<sup>th</sup> to raise \$ for SRA.

Wildlife Extravaganza: EH – The Wildlife Society, UM Chapter. Looking for volunteers. No date, April or May. Need \$870 fundraiser to put on the event.

Board Nominations: EH – 3 board members coming up. Applications on the website.

Questions/Comments: SS – Floor needs work. Start a fund to buy a new floor (originally GH idea). CN – Opportunity to us the 'Go Fund Me' site. AW – Donations really need to go to Ball to pay bill for this year. RW – where is money going for auction tonight? JoV - Going to the Ball. GH – Put together a publication about the ball, meeting tomorrow. JP – With new CFC dean and new President, great opportunity for us to start a new discussion about how we are going to work together in the future.

Closing: EH adjourned @17:11