

FSA Meeting Minutes

2/02/2018

13:05 to 14:30

W.A. Frank College of Forestry and Conservation, FOR 314, Missoula, MT

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: Eric Hoberg (EH), Jason Parke (JP), Lynne Sholty (LS), George Hirschenberger (GH), Leslie Neu (LN), Jonah Vaughan (JV), Beth Dodson (BD), Paul Chappellow (PC), Dave Wanderaas (DW), Phone: Emma VanVlack (EV),

Treasurer's report (BD) –

See attachment

Need to track down the proceeds from 2017 beer garden at Forestry Days.

Need to pay Team \$817.50 from 2016 beer garden.

Some revenue, \$69.38 from 2017 beer garden sitting in the Paypal account.

Approved treasurer's report with changes.

Election Results (JV) –

9 members of 25 participated in the election.

Leslie Neu as voted in as new board members.

Beth Dodson elected to FSA Board, Faculty.

Foresters Ball (EH) –

Dean Deluca and President Bodnar are very supportive. Publicity and involvement on campus, student groups, in the community, and administration has been great.

Community Forestry Days (LS) –

Jeff Sholty headed the organization committee. Everything coming together well but could use some help.

Financial Management (GH) –

"Affiliated Support Organization" Agreement with U of MT - George, Lynne, Beth working with Sam Barkley

-UM Foundation. Two options -gifts of money to benefit FCFC Vs. custodial agreement

Need to have two agreements with the UM Foundation, one for using the University's name and being a part of UM, one for financial account.

Any gift funds have to go through the Foundation, requiring us to set up an account.

All students groups have accounts and agreements with the Foundation through which they can receive funds.

We can designate groups that get the money and the purpose, FSA and FCFC would administer disbursements (e.g. The FSA Board and Deluca). Scholarships can be designated by criteria but not to specific individuals.

Funds don't have to be designated for a specific purpose for each group (e.g. TWS national convention)

A balance must be maintained in the account otherwise the account can be closed.

A three percent (3%) assessment (currently) deducted from the account quarterly when disbursements are meant. The assessment is set in the UM Foundation fee schedule and is not fixed and can change over time.

We are also required to have liability insurance, JV has a request for quote and he is estimating around \$1,000. Discussion ensued about whether or not we need it or need coverage for individual events

LS moved to approve entering into the application for recognition as an ASO with the details of the agreement to be finalized at a later date (in the next few weeks). GH seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

New Building at Ft Missoula Competition Grounds (EH) –

The \$2,000 donation was recovered.

Work on hold until spring.

Memorial Contributions for FCFC Scholarships (DW) –

Recognition of alumni, co-workers, friends, etc. that have passed away and being able to memorialize them through this FSA scholarship. Allows folks to make smaller donations recognizing those individuals more specifically. No current system allowing for the recognition of individuals being memorialized or able to make small contributions to those individuals. Currently there is a Forestry Alumni Memorial Scholarship for juniors.

Two things it would do is recognize the individual being memorialized and the individual making the donation.

Currently there are one-time-only or endowed scholarships.

JV moved to table and further the discussion at our April meeting once our ASO agreement is approved.

Distinguished Alumni Award -Scott K.

GH initiated discussion on FSA taking on the handling of this award, presented at the FCFC Awards.

Committee being formed to work on this. (GH, DW, EH, EV).

Review and proposed changes to By-Laws (GH) –

Clean up the language for consistency.

Allow for a quorum of 4 to vote and approve actions as opposed to current language (see bylaws).

Consistency of terms for names of meetings (annual board meeting and the annual corporate board meeting are the same thing).

FSA Member Recruitment (GH) –

Jeff Sholty has been working on it. Need to do the peer outreach.

Appointment of new FSA Officers by the Board -or what until spring meeting per By-Laws

Decision was made to vote on this now.

Moved to approve Jonah – President, Dylan Brooks – Vice President, Lynne Sholty – Treasurer, and Jason Parke – Secretary.

Meeting adjourned at 14:30

Next Meeting: April 29, 2018