

Lane Small Woodlands Association Quarterly Minutes: 7/13/2021

Meeting Time 10 Am-1:00 PM **Meeting Location:** Bauman Tree Farm

Board Members Present: Gary Jensen; Dick Beers; Wylida Cafferata; Gordon Culbertson; Dan Kintigh; Rick Olson; Chuck Volz; Lauren Grand

Guests: Lindsay Reaves; Theresa Hauser; Kate McMichael; Steve Cafferata; Sara Leiman; Becca Fain; Dave Rankin

1. Call Meeting to Order/Introductions
2. Review and Adoption of Agenda
3. Approval and Adoption of Minutes from 4/20/21
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Old Business
6. New Business
7. Adjourn

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- Gary Jensen called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM
- Gary reviewed the agenda.
- The minutes from 4/20/21 were approved by unanimous consent.
- Gordon Culbertson presented the Treasurer's Report
 - Gordon reported that the transition from Mike Atkinson to himself as treasurer was made easily due to Mike's excellent record keeping. He, Gary, and the Board expressed appreciation for Mike's dedication.
 - Gordon informed the Board that our accounts are now with Umqua Bank, including the proceeds from cashing in and depositing our US Bank CDs in the amount of \$11,339.36
 - Our total amount on deposit with Umqua Bank is \$30,597.92
 - After discussion, the Board requested that Gordon investigate an appropriate amount to keep in our checking account and how much to put in a series of laddered CDs.
 - Gordon shared with the Board the budgeting format suggested by the OSWA budget committee, consisting of a spreadsheet tracking various categories of expenses and income by the month.
 - Gordon has opened a post office box in Waltherville for LCSWA business: PO Box 214, Waltherville, OR 97489-9700. He and LCSWA Secretary Wylida Cafferata will have a key to the box.

5. Old Business

A. LCSWA Advertisement

- Lindsay reported that the Eugene Weekly article and advertisement were a disappointment since the editors focused on the Bauman Tree Farm rather than on LCSWA. It has been decided to cancel a planned future article. The Board thanked Lindsay and Gordon for their efforts with the article.
- The Board discussed other ways to get publicity for LCSWA (See New Business, Section E.)

B. Oregon Family Forest Convention UpDate

- Virtual Meeting July 23, 2021
 - Wylda reported that plans are well in place and encouraged all Board members to attend.
- Gordon reported that plans for the August 21 tour of his Penn Road tree farm are well in place.
 - There will be a work party at his tree farm starting at 7 AM on August 17. Board members are requested to bring weed eaters (string variety.) If they are gas-powered, bring shovels and fire extinguishers.
 - On the 21st, Board members are requested to bring shovels, backpack sprayers and fire extinguishers (if available.)
 - After discussion, Board members requested that ODF South Cascade and Western Lane District Foresters be invited to the tour, as well as Rick Dancer, Jay Bocievich, Boomer Wright, and John Lively. Board members are requested to contact Gordon prior to August 6 if there are others who should be invited. Dave Shaw, Forest Health expert, and Fran Cafferata Coe, wildlife biologist, will be invited to be speakers at the tour.

C. LCSWA 2020 Tree Farmer of the Year Tour: Sara Leiman's Tree Farm

- It was decided to hold the tour the morning of September 11.
- Gary, Steve and Wylda will meet with Sara to discuss tour details.
- Tour participants will meet at the Grange on Ferguson Road and carpool to the property.
- Sara will contact the Grange to see if they can provide lunch for the group after the tour.
- Wylda and Sara will design a flyer to be sent to LCSWA members directly after the August 21 event, so as not to confuse the two events.
- Dick Beers will keep track of RSVPs.

D. Legislative Up-Date

- Steve Cafferata reminded the Board of what a good job Lobbyist Roger Beyer does for OSWA. The Board directed Wylda to send him a thank-you card from LCSWA thanking him for his efforts this past legislative session.
- The Board discussed the ramifications of the non-renewal of the Harvest Tax. It is unclear how OFRI is affected, as well as other recipients of the proceeds of that tax. Steve Cafferata reported that the Emergency Fire Fund Chair has been assured that when the tax is reinstated, the EFCC will be reimbursed.
- Gordon reported that the bills specifically targeting OFRI did not pass. He commended Representative Lively for supporting OFRI.

6: New Business

A. Forests Today and Forever Invoice

- Gary reported that we have received our annual invoice for \$1000 from FTF.
- Wylde suggested we consider splitting our contribution with Oregon Natural Resource Education Fund, since both are worthy organizations. After discussion it was decided by unanimous consent to continue the FTF \$1000 contribution and to add a \$500 to ONREF.

B. Search for new Directors: The Board voted by unanimous consent to appoint Dan Kintigh to take Alan Peterson's position on the Board since Alan has resigned. The membership will vote on his appointment at the next membership meeting.

C. Plans for 2022 Annual Meeting

- Dick Beers will inquire if the Elks Club is available for the third Thursday in January, January 20th, 2022.
- Rick and Becca will do the raffle.
- The Board discussed potential speakers including the new State Forester (not yet appointed) and concluded to postpone a decision until fall.

D. Future Board Meetings: Our next Board meeting will be on November 18 at 1 PM, location to be announced.

E. Future 2022 Events:

- The Board discussed several possibilities including a trip to Valley of the Giants, possibly in conjunction with Lincoln County SWA (Becca will investigate); a workshop on the Chinese market for spruce (suggested by Dave Rankin); a pollinator workshop; a tour of urban forest properties, possibly in conjunction with our 2021 Tree Farmer of the Year tour.
- Lindsay reminded the Board of the 2022 Seedling Sale on February 5, 2022.

Adjournment: Gary adjourned the meeting at 1:00 PM

Plans for Next Meeting:

- Planning for Annual Meeting
- Up-date on Brochure for relators
- Continuation of 2022 Events planning

Assignments

See Minutes

