

Lane Small Woodlands Association Annual Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 1/19/2022 Meeting Time 7:30-8:30 PM, Virtual Format

Board Members Present: Gary Jensen; Dick Beers;; Wylda Cafferata; Tom Bauman; Gordon Culbertson; Rick Olson; Lauren Grand; Dan Menk; Kate McMichael

Guests: Approximately 25

Agenda Items

1. Call Meeting
2. Welcome
3. Rick Zenn: OSWA News
4. OSU Extension Forester Lauren Grand: Extension News
5. Chapter Business
6. Open Floor for Membership Input
7. Up-Coming Activities
8. Special Thanks
9. Adjourn

<p>2. Call Meeting to Order/Introductions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gary Jensen called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. <p>2. Gary introduced all the Board members present</p>
<p>3.OSWA Executive Director Rick Zenn</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rick told the group he considers the Small Woodland Community his second home. He described his background as coming to forestry from the education side. Rick worked for the World Forestry Center prior to becoming OSWA's Executive Director.• Rick's vision for OSWA is one of advocacy for the work we do, stewardship of the land, both learning from each other and walking the talk of sustainability, and fellowship. He emphasized how good it is to be out in the woods together.• Rick announced the three new members of OSWA's Executive Committee: Dave Ehlers, Dan Newton, and Carl Jensen. The Committee will be meeting in Pendleton for a weekend planning session January 23-24.• Rick reminded members to renew their memberships.• Rick reminded members of the Family Forest Convention to be held in Benton County June 23-25.• OSWA is in the process of creating a Master Calendar so we can be aware of other chapters' events.• Rick described OSWA's partnership with OTFS, emphasizing how much the two organizations have in common.
<p>4. Lauren Grand, OSU Extension: Lauren described up-coming Extension activities including a bio-char workshop, a WOWnet Chain-saw workshop for women, and Workshop on planning a forest manager's year.</p>

5. Chapter Business

- A. Annual Meeting: Gary described the success of the State-wide Meeting held in Lane County in 2021
- B. Review of LCSWA's 2021 Activities: Wylda reported on LCSWA's 2021 activities that included a successful annual meeting; our Seedling Sale; establishment of our Face Book page; selection of Derrick & Shannon Salyers as 2022 Lane County Tree Farmer of the Year; publication in Eugene Magazine; creation of OSWA brochure for woodland property realtors to distribute (with thanks to Fred Sperry of Northwest Properties for implementing distribution); helping pass ballot measure supporting OSU Extension; the two-part Family Forest Convention; donations to Forests Today & Forever and Oregon Natural Resource Education Fund; creation of our web page; distribution of wildlife seed mix to LCSWA members, thanks to the Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife.
- C. Treasurer's Report: Gordon reported that our ending balance is \$30,878.18. When we changed to the Umqua bank, we redeemed our CDs and are waiting for better interest rates to reinvest those funds. .
- D. Membership: Dick Beers announced that as of 1/20/22, we have 195 members. He encouraged members to pay their dues if they have not already. This can be done by a phone call to the OSWA office: 503-558-1813
- E. Election of Directors: Gary announced that Tom Bauman, Gary Jensen, and Dan Kintigh are up for re-election. Steve Cafferata moved that all three be re-elected, Gordon Culbertson seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

6. Open Floor for Member Input: Malcolm Wilson volunteered that he would be ready for Board membership after he retires. Dan Menk gave a summary of ODF activities including that Western Lane will be hiring three new Stewardship Foresters.

7. Up-Coming Activities: Gary announced that our Seeding Sale is February 5 at Alton Baker Park, with a Board Meeting following the Sale; and a potential tour of Lane County's 2020 Tree Farmer of the Year Sara Leiman's tree farm, depending on COVID restrictions.

8. Special Recognition: Gary thanked the Board members for their service, with a special thanks to Kate McMichael for expanding our social media.

3. Adjournment: Gary adjourned the meeting at 8:30 after announcements of Door Prize Winners.

Assignments

- Board members will assist with the Seedling Sale if possible. It begins at 8 AM so coming a little before then will be good.
- Board meeting will be held 2/5/22 after the Seedling Sale.
- All Board and general members will consider potential nominees for 2022 LCSWA Tree Farmer of the Year prior to 2/5/22. Suggestions may be sent to Gary Jensen or Wylda Cafferata

Plans for Next Meetings

- Election of Officers
- 2022 TFOY discussion