

Washington Chapter of The Wildlife Society Executive Board Meeting Notes

March 14, 2022, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Google Meet Conference Call

Participants

Sara Hansen, President Matt Wilson, President Elect Lisa Dowling, Past President Bruce Thompson, Treasurer Candace Bennett, Secretary Jen Syrowitz, At Large Board Member Bill Vogel, Awards

Meeting Action Items

- 1. National Mtg Section Prep (blue completed, black in progress)
 - a. **Matt**, **Sara**, and **Jen** will meet on Thursday to finalize the submission to parent TWS.
 - b. Completed 03/11/2022
- 2. Grants
 - a. **Tony** will send information to **Bruce** so he can send a check to recipients.
 - b. In progress: communication with recipients initiated by Bruce; no response yet
- 3. Awards
 - a. **Sara** will send out information on proposed awards to EB and Committee by Friday, March 11th.
 - i. Completed
 - b. **Sara** will send out a meeting invitation for a meeting specific to Awards for Monday, March 14th, 4pm.
 - i. Completed

Meeting Agenda

- 4. Awards discussion
 - a. Two new awards proposed
 - i. Women in Wildlife
 - ii. Courage in Conservation
 - b. Process for new awards
 - i. Board to make a recommendation to the Awards Committee to explore new awards.
 - ii. Awards Committee could work on the criteria.
 - iii. Then a nominations process.
 - c. We could modify one of the awards to cover the topics listed approve if we would like to cover that topic in an existing award.
 - d. Edits to the awards were made in 2011-2013, with additional edits 2014-2015.
 - e. Sara moved to have the Board establish two new awards, seconded by Bruce for discussion. No vote; tabled to the April meeting.

- f. The Board would like to have a refresher of how to move forward on different awards and other committees.
 - i. Need to add documents to the Committee Guidelines folder on Google Drive.
- g. Bruce moved to approve awards recommendations from Awards Committee, seconded Matt.
 - i. One abstained, four yes.
 - ii. Motion passes.
- h. Awards Committee SOP added for discussion for the May meeting.

Next Meeting: April 12, 2022, at 4pm.