



**Executive Board Meeting Minutes
7-6-2020**

Executive Board Members

- President - Doug Saint-Denis - Present
- Vice President - Bob Kratzer - Present
- Secretary - Ryan Gausman - Present
- Treasurer – Randy Lato - Present
- Member at Large A - Marc Bush - Present
- Advisory Member - Greg Kain - Present
- Advisory Member - Cameron Black – Absent
- Advisory Member – Camrin Johnson – Absent
- Advisory Member – Eric Linde – Present
- Advisory Member – Mark Coleman – Present
- Advisory Member – Cary Hoffman – Present

Meeting began at 1730 hrs

The June meeting minutes were presented for approval, Doug moved to approve, Marc Bush seconded, the motion passed unanimously

Old Business

Dues were revisited, It was proposed that the first year dues be prorated according to the quarter in which the person joins. 1st quarter, full price, then a \$25 discount per quarter after that. Everybody renews on January 1 for full price each year. The price of dues will not be changed. Doug moved to approve the motion, Ryan seconded, it passed unanimously

Treasurers Report

Randy reported there is \$938.48 in PayPal, and \$2979.0 in the bank

Bob and Greg have been working on a plan to build membership. They don't believe discounting the dues is necessary. We want guides in the association who are fully committed to our organization. Bob suggested coming up with realistic goals for member numbers. It was suggested that for now, 25% of the guides in the state should be a realistic goal with that percentage growing over time. Bob suggested that we come up with preprinted application forms that could be handed out. He also suggested that we speak to supporting businesses about offering discounts to members, this would require some sort of ID.

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Bob also requested emails and phone numbers for new members who join which would allow him to reach out personally to them. We need to continue communicating our accomplishments and projects on facebook to give people an idea of what we are doing. Along with that we need to encourage folks to join so their input can be incorporated into our activities. Randy suggested we encourage charters to join as well since much of what we do is related to their industry as well.

Doug asked if there was any thought about going forward with region-specific events or bbq's. Mark Coleman said maybe it would be better to do these in the offseason for better attendance. It was also suggested that they would be better when the covid restrictions on group size are relaxed.

Eric suggested that maybe we should get rep groups or WDFW involved in some of our activities as well. Doug proposed that we think about doing that type of thing at our annual meeting in Puyallup.

For the Good of the Order

Bob- Columbia River openings and closings..... we need to get this handled. We need to get limits lined up with quotas to maximize fishing days on the river. 2 fish retention per day for 5 days could just as easily be changed to 1 fish per day for 10 days. We need to speak up and get involved in the discussion with WDFW.

Randy- He's had trips cancel because clients hired tested positive and they were contacted by trace contacting and were currently under quarantine.

. He is concerned that if the state moves backward on phases we may be shut down. Doug reminded everyone that our safety plan was approved in phase 1 so guides and charters should be OK.

Marc Bush- Rep Wilcox has requested a meeting with him. He'll let us know what transpired after it happens

Eric – Reference Columbia River limits, maybe they should have opened earlier when the run was fresh, a lot of fish passed the lower river before they got around to making a decision to open. Next year maybe suggest they time it better

He is curious about state to state guide licensing reciprocity agreements.

He wants printed log books, Bob and Doug agreed to contact WDFW regarding that.

Cary- Doesn't feel the WDFW fish harvest counts are accurate. Maybe with the logbook it will improve. We need to submit a NOI for work to be done regarding the Lewis Street launch permit in Monroe. There will be delays and they can get it moving earlier if we submit earlier.

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Mark Coleman- He plans to organize a trial-run get together in the Grays Harbor area. Was wondering how much expense he can incur and be reimbursed for. It was decided \$100

Doug- He has reached out to the Great Lakes Guides and Michigan guides reference interpreting the relief funding options for guides.

Bob- He has received information from several charter associations who are willing to support the guides in negotiations regarding state funding of projects. This is a new cooperative relationship between charters and guides that hasn't previously existed. Randy has had similar conversations.

Meeting adjourned 1825 hrs.

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