



Eboard Meeting Minutes

3-13-2023

Executive Board Members

- President - Doug Saint-Denis - Present
- Vice President - Bob Kratzer - Present
- Secretary – Patric Gaffney - Present
- Treasurer - Jon Blank - Present
- Member at Large A - Marc Bush - Present
- Advisory Member - Greg Kain - Present
- Advisory Member - Cameron Black – Present
- Advisory Member - Camrin Johnson – Present
- Advisory Member - Eric Linde – Present
- Advisory Member - Mark Coleman – Present
- Advisory Member - Cary Hoffman – Excused

WSGA Members Present: Bill Monroe Jr., Brandon Trager, David Godfrey, Jeff Keightley,

Call to meeting to order: 5:33pm

Old business- Bouy 10 letter was sent to commission but no response was given with no surprise. Letter was also sent to multiple senators but only one responded.

Columbia river chapter was formed and we now currently have 91 members for WSGA membership as a whole.

Steelhead Mortality Update – Bob Kratzer Bob is still working on this but in short, the Columbia River and tributaries attach a 3% mortality on wild winter steelhead and 8% on summer steelhead. Whereas the rest of the regions throughout the state applies a 10% mortality. He is working on getting justification for this.

Treasures report: Jon Blank

Checking 17,019.47\$

Pay pal 4,572.70\$

New business:

Broodstocking Satsop River: Patric Gaffney Patric gave an update on department of brood stocking on Satsop river. In 3 day’s of work, a total of 105 steelhead were hooked by department staff only.

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NOF Update: Doug Saint-Denis – WSGA board members and WSGA members have been attending the NOF meetings. Doug is going to final NOF meeting in April. He encourages all if there is something you would like him to bring up or watch out for, please email him.

Buoy 10 / Columbia River: Cameron Black - Buoy 10 regulations have been a hot topic and possible regulations being discussed is Hatchery fish retention only and possible days a week closures to try and limit wild tule chinook impacts. Cameron expressed there most likely will not be any guiding restrictions this year but this is an issue that may be getting prepped for 2024. So we need to watch out for this now and in the future. General consensus as a group was to get the maximum days on the water to fish. That means if a hatchery only season gets us the most days on the water the members and board members will be in support to ensure maximum days fishing

Guiding Below Longview Bridge: Bob Kratzer Talks about moving the guiding/charter line from Longview bridge further downstream on the Columbia seems to have no traction with legislation but within the guiding communities discussions are still taking place.

Good of the order:

Bob Kratzer - Very important to make our presence at NOF meeting to establish more relationships and keep tabs on any guiding regulations that are being talked about.

Meeting adjourned 6:59pm

Addendum: This was a missed agenda item and the executive board voted on it via email. On March 20th, the eboard voted unanimously, to donate \$500 to the 3rd Annual Kids Trout Derby, Hosted by Fish Hunt Northwest & The Summit Lake Community Center.