

Eboard Meeting Minutes

10-21-2024

Executive Board Members

President - Doug Saint-Denis - Present

Vice President - Bob Kratzer - Excused

Secretary - Patric Gaffney - Present

Treasurer - Jon Blank - Excused

Member at Large A - Marc Bush - Present

Advisory Member - Greg Kain - Present

Advisory Member - Cameron Black - Absent

Advisory Member - Camrin Johnson - Present

Advisory Member - Eric Linde - Absent

Advisory Member - Mark Coleman - Present

Advisory Member - Cary Hoffman - Absent

Meeting Purpose

To discuss WSGA business, including financials, memorial for Michael Shufeldt, and potential booth at the sportsman show.

Key Takeaways

- Current financials: \$1,309.48 in PayPal, \$25,040.70 in checking, \$11.99 in savings
- Unanimously approved creating a memorial page for Michael Shufeldt, pending family approval
- Decided to table having a booth at the sportsman show until next year due to lack of volunteers and potential conflicts with individual guide booths
- Safety reminder from Mark Coleman about unhooking boat trailers after his recent accident
- Topics

Agenda Items

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> Advisory Member 1 Greg Kain greg.kain@me.com

Vice President Robert Kratzer anglersguideservice@gmail.com

> Advisory Member 2 Cameron Black gonecatchin@gmail.com

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Advisory Member 4 Mark Coleman mark@allwashingtonfishing.com Member At Large A Marc Bush twistedwaters@gmail.com

Advisory Member 5 Eric Linde eplinde@comcast.net Call to meeting to order: 5:36pm

Financials Update

PayPal balance: \$1,309.48 Checking account: \$25,040.70 Savings account: \$11.99 Considering exploring higher-yield savings options for funds

Memorial for Michael Shufeldt

Motion passed to create a memorial page for Michael Shufeldt Doug to reach out to Cameron Black to contact the family for approval If approved, will post on website and social media

Sportsman Show Booth Discussion

An email was sent out in September and only 5 guides volunteered for limited time slots, insufficient to fully staff a booth

- Concerns raised about potential conflicts with individual guide booths and show rules prohibiting trip sales
- Discussed alternative strategies: one-on-one conversations with guides, targeting sponsors
- Motion passed to table booth decision until next year, revisit in June

North of Falcon and Steelhead Meeting Updates

Limited information available on North of Falcon schedule

Upcoming WDFW Meetings

Coastal steelhead meeting scheduled for October 23rd

Patrick Gaffney and Mark Coleman to attend the steelhead meeting

For the Good of the Order:

Rumor About Fish & Wildlife Director

Unconfirmed rumors about commission attempting to remove the Director

Doug reached out to contacts, including Kelly Cunningham, for clarification

Considering potential letter of support if situation develops

Safety Reminder

Mark Coleman shared his recent accident while unhooking a boat trailer

Emphasized importance of giving ample space for trailer jack movement

Suggested creating educational content about trailer safety

Next Steps

- Doug to contact Cameron Black regarding Michael Shufeldtl memorial
- Patrick Gaffney and Mark Coleman to attend and report back on Oct 23 steelhead meeting
- Revisit sportsman's show booth discussion in June 2025
- Monitor situation with Fish & Wildlife Director, prepare potential letter if needed
- Consider creating educational content on trailer safety