

SGEA Business Meeting  
Thursday, November 7, 2013  
Philadelphia, PA  
(2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.)

Assembly Roll Call/Introductions – D. Hansen

Roll: Jim Fawcett, Nancy Balcom, Jim Falk, Marty Main, Mark Risse, Laura Biggs, Darren Okimoto, Marty Jaffe, Beth Bisson, Andy Lazur, Madeline Hall-Arber (for Judy Pederson), Mark Breederland, Jesse Schomberg, Stephanie Otts (for Dave Burrage), Peter Rowe, Julia Peterson, Kathy Bunting-Howarth, Jack Thigpen, Frank Lichtkoppler, Dave Hansen, Eric Obert, Jen McCann, Bob Bacon, Jurij Homziak, Tom Murray, Phil Moy   Guests: Mike Voiland, Mike Liffmann, Ann Faulds, Dale Baker, Susan White, Mary Beth Barrow

Treasurers Report – D. Hansen

- Balance: \$3626.08 (~\$0.15 interest per month, only transaction since 10/12 was \$450 to SG Academy)
- Encumbrances: Wick Award (\$255.80), SG Academy (\$550)
- May need to address increasing this amount- future conversation
- Current meeting will likely generate some revenue- possibly \$800 or so

Chairman's Report – J. Falk

- SGA meeting- items mostly reflected below

Assembly Reports (5 minutes each)

- Fisheries Extension – Fisheries/Climate Change Work Group
  - Falk: working with NOAA. Possible liaisons to Fisheries Mgmt Councils?
  - Possible tie in with Pew Charitable Trusts work?
  - Liffmann: Ecosystems and climate next big issues, how to tie to these themes?
  - Fisheries Extension Network Council (document to be forwarded to Assembly)
    - Feedback Falk will provide to Erik Chapman (NH): don't be too complicated in the structure, might be too formal and exclude participation, is the focus commercial or recreational, do they need to have a "council" if there is a network.
- Sustainable Coastal Community Development
  - Falk is liaison- meeting in Tacoma earlier this year at Working Waterfronts Symposium
    - Recent conference call- some issues identifying new leadership
    - How does this group work with the Resilience Network(?)
    - NSGO provides \$50k for programs – maybe require that some of these funds be used to support travel to SCCD annual meeting
  - Liffmann: note that the \$50k is actually rolled into base support
  - Generally SG Week has been for upper program management

- Climate/Hazards
  - Schomberg- Looking for a representative from the SGEA
  - Handout: SGA November 2013 (draft), Sea Grant Climate Network
    - 29 people, 32 programs, 2 ½ day workshop in Santa Monica, CA
    - Challenges: elevating visibility, how does climate relate to other parts of the program, enhance capacity, etc.
    - Expand beyond climate- hazards?
      - There also are non-climate hazards
    - Thigpen: Where does the SGEA want this group to go?
      - Falk: Climate folks have been waiting for an opportunity like this
    - No current funding provided by NSGO for this group
    - Bacon: This was originally open to individuals beyond Extension; still is
  - Jesse will ask the group to develop a proposal and identify an Assembly liaison
- Sea Grant Academy Update
  - 42 attendees, Week 2 in Duluth went very well- hopefully have pictures to post soon. We allocated \$1,000 but so far have only spent \$450
  - Likely to be competed in the future
  - Should think about the audience- could explicitly be broader than Extension
    - Merge with SG Week?
    - Other model shared by Okimoto - bring Academy to the state programs
  - Draft a note to NSGO requesting support for the Academy (Falk and Hansen will draft)

#### Sea Grant Administration Issues

- SG Allocation Process
  - LaDonn is drafting a response based on the SGA discussions
- PIE Review Process
  - Report has been distributed
  - PRP process too cumbersome
- Updating Performance Measures/Metrics
  - Chris Hayes (NSGO) led this task working with various subcommittees to review/revise performance measures and metrics; submitted recommendations to SGA, Program Mission Committee
  - Karl Havens leading the SGA, PMC working on changes.
  - Lichtkopler: How to provide verifiable, useful data to the NSGO
  - Some discussion of the importance of good guidance
  - Balcom: Recommend a webinar following release
  - Performance measures likely will change; some will be eliminated and clearer definitions will be provided.

#### Networks Advisory Committee (NAC) Report – S. Otts

- Should the NAC continue now that each committee is represented on the SGA Program Mission Committee?
- Much discussion around the need for the NAC- consensus seemed to be that it would be good to take another look in the next 6 months or so

#### Sea Grant Extension ‘Hall of Honor’ – J. Fawcett/J. Falk

- Each program could identify the individuals that helped build and maintain the SG network over the years
- Example: American Fisheries Society Hall of Excellence
- Falk will distribute one-pager for comment

#### Sea Grant Extension Funding – K. Bunting-Howarth

- Survey: Extremely diverse
- Volunteers to help collect better information: Kathy Bunting-Howarth, Beth Bisson, Dave Hansen, Andy Lazur

#### Salary survey – Balcom

- Should this continue? Is it useful to program leaders?
- Years of experience, degrees, salary ranges, etc.
- Balcom will follow-up with Assembly members and determine whether effort should continue

#### Bylaws Review – Falk

- Discussion of filling vacancies (primarily for Chair and Chair-elect positions)
- Falk will distribute draft of suggested changes

#### SG Week 2014 – FL (Format/Tentative Agenda) – Falk

- Will send around opportunities to help on planning committees

#### Assembly Excomm Nominations:

1 At-large Position – 2 Year Term  
Secretary/Treasurer – 3 Year Term

- Election mid-December, by email
- Nominating committee: Eric Obert, Jen McCann, Kathy Bunting-Howarth

#### Future of Sea Grant/Changing Face of SG Extension/Future Trends

- Could discuss by email
- This is a topic we should explore in more detail at Assembly business meeting at SG Week 2014.

Regional updates (Reps provide brief written bullets instead of verbal reports in the interest of time and for better capture in meeting notes)

Chair Awards – Falk, Bacon

- Logan Respass, Jesse Schomberg, Dave Hansen for Sea Grant Academy IV
- Kathy Bunting-Howarth for Fundamentals of Sea Grant Extension
- Ann Faulds and Eric Obert for Superstorm Sandy coordination
- Bob Bacon for many years of service to Sea Grant

Adjourn 4:32pm