



Regular 4th quarter meeting was called to order at 9:01am. Present were– President, **Stephen Deiss** - 1st Vice President, **Morgan Treadwell** -2nd Vice President, **William Fox** -Treasurer, **Robert Moen**,- Secretary **Kathryn Brady**- Director, **Rob Cook**-- Director: **Megan Clayton** - Director: **Pepe Martinez**, - Director: **Caitlyn Norris**, - Director: **Kevin Derzapf**

Deiss–called the meeting to order at 9:01m; a quorum was established. **Deiss** – welcomed everyone and reviewed the agenda.

Review and approve agenda Cook motion Seconded by Derzapf, approved

MINUTES:

Motion to approve minutes made **by Fox** and seconded by **Cook**, Passed, no discussion or amendments

TREASURER’S REPORT: Treasurer’s Report, see reports provided by **Moen**

Current financial statement Motion: Treadwell, Second: Fox, approved

TSSRM Income STMT GOF

Fox: What is balance on rainy day fund? Moen: \$40,000

no discussion

NEWSLETTER: Deiss: Tyson Hart stepping down at end of year (December), someone in-line to take over
Moen: suggested giving Hart an award at annual meeting

WEBSITE REPORT: Deiss: diligent about posting on website and getting to Tanner to document requirements and accomplishments for meetings. Michael Willson still working with Tanner Bryant on this..

SOCIAL MEDIA: Seiler and Pluhar-I ask Facebook followers to like and share posts

ARCHIVIST: Knox: No new report or information

OLD BUSINESS:

Elections: Deiss in contact with Janak for nominations, don’t know why a delay.
Needs to be by end of year, the board can submit names too.

Question by Treadwell: Do we have a Plan B?

Question by Deiss: is there a suggestion? Should the board make appointments?

Statement by Derzapf: already past deadline, now falls on our shoulders.

Statement by Deiss: let’s do it as a board. Email Deiss with candidates.

Statement by Cook: let’s reach out to list and see if nominees are willing and if all a go then put out a ballot.

Question by Treadwell: does Tyson put out ballot?

Question by Deiss: Or does it come out as a rangeflash?

Question by Treadwell: Is each member sent link like parent society?.

Policy Development for dispersal of ROI: Report from Fox: At end of each year we will have an ROI and investment committee will be reporting to us what it is, so a policy needs to be developed 75% going in General Operating Fund that would carry over into next year and re-invested.

Moen: agrees, instead of 75% put a range number set rather than exact amount.



Fox: the idea is that at the annual meeting the investment committee chair can report to the membership the up- to- date #'s for investments each year and then the first VP would have money in budget at the end of year and work with committee to get a good number then board can make move and move dollars from investments in to general operating fund.

Treadwell: all sounds good, it is important that we have sufficient funds set aside for annual meeting in the annual budget and have direction on what to do with funds and not just a general pot of money for special projects like outreach and education and then have idea of project and expense before cutting money for those projects. All financial decisions need to be made within the fiscal year, prior to end of calendar year

Fox: Will work with **Moen** and investment committee and send to board for consideration.

Treadwell: sounds like good idea

COMMITTEE REPORTS: See submitted reports.

ACTIVITIES & EDUCATION: Treadwell:

Nothing really due to COVID

Other avenues for presence in newsletter and social media, have on-line meetings or programs. Ideas for 2021

Fox: Dallas area interest in natural resources education for youth. Earth X organization. They also have cable tv outlet

Pluhar did a good job with Cattleraisers and youth activities

Any formal activities have been virtual. Question to board: Should we have Cattleraisers virtual booth, since it will be a virtual meeting? Should we have a Virtual presence? And same questions for parent society meeting?

Fox: Hard to get return through virtual situations.

Treadwell: We may be better off hosting our own virtual event.

ANNUAL MEETING:

2021: **Treadwell:**

In Victoria, Clayton and Pluhar co-chairs, still like to move forward with that, look at program agenda

2022: **Fox:**

Denton is in the works, since Morgan got started with that. Talked to hotel, talked to Goodwin and Hays were chairs agreed to stay on. Keep moving forward

AWARDS: No report

Clayton, Alejandro: selected to winners, plaques have been received.

COLLEGE ACTIVITIES: Hasty, Martinez:

No report

GRASS ROOTS AWARDS: Miculka/ Fry, Cook,:

2 award winners for extension agent and NRCS, hasn't ordered plaques, but will be doing them



Financials, Endowment & INVESTMENT: : Loeffler, Fox, :
Working on getting policy in place and move forward

Investment: same as before

MEMBERSHIP: Hobson, Willson:
No report

MENTORSHIP: Smith, Derzapf: no report

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS: Janak, Deiss

Treadwell: need to get nominations and elections done before January meeting or end of year. **Cook** will be taking that on. Thank you

Fox: Janak said that he failed to follow through and he needs to reach out to Cook

ORM/ORS: Demoin, Norris:

See list of winners sent out by Norris, plaques have been ordered, how to distribute

PLANNING: Fox, Kothmann: no report

PUBLIC AFFAIRS: Dean/Hannusch, Cook: No report

PUBLICATION AWARDS: Perotto, Treadwell: **Perotto** has not voted on awards, b/c he was under impression that they would wait to 2021, but will have him move forward with selecting award winners

RESOLUTIONS: Hays/Treadwell:

No report

SCHOLARSHIP: Gann, Cook: submitted and emailed out by Cook, include in awards program

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS: Urbanzyk, Derzapf

Did receive early career award, let's recognize her too at awards program.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: Pluhar/Norris, Deiss:

Norris: YRW planning meeting in Matador. Edits to agenda and plan for in-person and a Plan B if we can't leave the Tech campus.

Questions by Treadwell: what about High School Youth Forum?

Answer by Norris: not doing anything

Fox: Dallas education needs to go through YAC

NEW BUSINESS:

Awards Program/General Business Meeting: Suggestion by Clayton: November 12th. We can Set-up survey monkey to fill-in emails and then send out link.

November 12th probably won't work, because there is not enough ime to get things together

We need to have a short business meeting and then have awards

Suggestion: first part of December



Treadwell and Deiss will get agenda together

Hart will need to send out survey to Tyson Hart

Suggestion by Fox: December 7th, noon, 1 hour block

Suggestion by Cook: present awards winners on social media, come up with strategy

Suggestion by Treadwell: Team up with partners

Elections:

See above

If no new directors selected can we ask Derzapf and Martinez to stay on the board?

Yes, they are okay with it.

Section Gatherings at SRM 2021: not discussed

FUTURE MEETINGS:

January Meeting 1st Quarter : end of January 22nd, 9am

In-person or virtual, see how COVID is going, still need to set up Zoom or conference call.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was announced by **Cook** and seconded by **Derzapf**, Motion passed unanimously. **Meeting Adjourned 10:55am.**

Thank you for attending and participating in the meeting.

Kathryn A. Brady, Secretary