

May 4, 2017 AWRA Florida Section Board Meeting DRAFT Minutes

The Agenda for the May 4 meeting looks good.

Minutes. The minutes for the March 31 meeting were OK to all, however it was requested to make sure that it was clear that the travel budget for students to the National conference increased from \$2500 to \$5000. With that edit, the minutes were approved.

National news: Jeremy will be attending the National conference. We were asked by the National AWRA staff to review the applications for scholarships.

Treasurer: We are going to pay \$500 to the Herbert Memorial Fund. Walt will check with our tax specialist, Tom Porter, to make sure he files on time. There is \$31,451 in checking, \$11,028 in CD, and the amount in Sandy Young is more than \$68,000. May meeting: \$6580 income, \$5400 expenses. Walt will transfer the \$11K from the CD to the new high-yield account.

Education: Six applications are in and have been evaluated. We will have recommendations prior to the next meeting so we can invite the winners. A deadline for review will be determined by Christine and Kristin.

Newsletter: All is well. Garrett will get information to Gregg.

Membership: 189 professionals, 79 students, 9 fellows, 6 life members, total: 283. We were 307 for all of 2016, so we are killing it.

PDH Credits: PDH form was given to Randy, so we are all set up.

Future Meetings: Key Largo meeting topics are coming together, we will do the silent fund raiser again. Riviera Beach location – The planning committee checked on the tiki bar, food, location, and it did not look good enough for our group. Plus, the local contact is unresponsive. Sam Palermo is looking at other venues. Agenda is looking good. November: Stetson, no details yet, Ray Scott is putting that together with assistance from The Balmoral Group.

Next Year: back in Fort Myers (Kellie is going to help), should we think about another Tallahassee again, Gainesville. FSU vs UF rivalry?, Jacksonville. Sanford? Streamsong? Camp Weed?

Unfinished Business: No need to continue to talk about Annual Sponsorship.

New Business: Jeremy attended a joint meeting of a number of environmental organizations in WPB, and over 100 attended. AWRA contributed funds to support the party.

Student networking in the Keys: Should CDM have that right? Handful of students, shown on the agenda is “by invitation only”. Jeremy will talk to Shane and Garrett.

