

Wisconsin Conservation Congress

WCC Outdoor Heritage and Education Committee

Meeting Minutes



ORDER OF BUSINESS	10/13/2012	9:30am	Econo Lodge, Stevens Point, Wisconsin
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I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

A. CALL TO ORDER

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY	Chairman Kevin Marquette at 9:34am
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B. ROLL CALL

ATTENDEES	Committee Members: Allan Pribnow, Ben Loma, Robert LeHew, Kevin Marquette, Kevin Smaby, Jim Johnson, Scott Bestul, David Tupa, Ronald Vanderloop, John Cler, Chris Jepson, Tomas Daluga. DNR Liaisons: Keith Warnke and Theresa Stabo
EXCUSED	Claude Bovi, Richard Krawze, Davey Henschel.
UNEXCUSED	Tom Briski, Koua Vang, Brett Weir.
GUESTS	Resolution Authors: Eugene Altwies, Rob Bohmann

C. AGENDA APPROVAL/REPAIR

DISCUSSION	None
ACTION	Motion and second to approve agenda as written, motion carried

D. REVIEW COMMITTEE MISSION STATEMENT

DISCUSSION	Mission Statement read by Kevin Marquette
ACTION	Motion and second to approve mission statement as written, motion carried

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

DISCUSSION	none
ACTION	none

II. INFORMATION & ACTION ITEMS

A. CITIZEN RESOLUTIONS

DISCUSSION	Resolution 620112 (Allow 14 & 15 year olds to be unaccompanied during youth hunts) Resolution read by Kevin Marquette.	
ACTION	Motion and second to advance resolution as written, motion carried	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	David Tupa will write resolution in question form.	DEADLINE ASAP
DISCUSSION	Resolution 520112 (Allow 16 & 17 year olds to participate in all youth hunts) Resolution read by Kevin Marquette.	
ACTION	Motion and second to advance resolution as written, motion carried	

PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE
David Tupa will write resolution in question form.		ASAP
DISCUSSION	Resolution 520312 (Eliminate fishing license & stamp requirements for 16 & 17) Resolution read by Kevin Marquette. Motion and second to advance resolution as written. Committee members and DNR expressed concern that as written, there would be serious negative impacts in funding our fisheries programs. Motion failed.	
ACTION	Motion and second to rewrite a question from this committee, eliminating the inland trout and Great Lakes stamp requirements for 16 and 17 year olds, but continue to charge the regular fee for their fishing license. Motion carried	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE
David Tupa will write up and submit question from committee		ASAP
DISCUSSION	Resolution 520212 (Eliminate hunting stamp requirements for all youth) Resolution read by Kevin Marquette.	
ACTION	Motion and second to advance resolution as written, motion carried	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE
David Tupa will write resolution in question form.		ASAP
DISCUSSION	Resolution 300212 (Extend the age of youth hunting and fishing opportunities through age 17) Resolution read by Kevin Marquette.	
ACTION	Motion and second to table, due to the fact that this resolution is addressed in the previous two resolutions, motion carried to table the resolution.	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE
N/A		N/A

B. DEPARTMENT INFORMATION & UPDATES

THERESA STABO

DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Angler Education hand-out with statistics of program. Angler Education curriculum materials aligned with state standards available for educators and youth group leaders to use. 2. FIN (Fishing in the neighborhood) is targeting low-income, ethnic minorities, inner city youth, offering fishing opportunities and education for these groups. 3. Fisheries Management Performance Report/expenditures. 4. Theresa covered topics that Mary Kay Salway would have presented. 	
ACTION	none	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE
Theresa Stabo: Theresa.Stabo@Wisconsin.gov		N/A

KEITH WARNKE

DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Keith presented statistics about hunter demographics. 2. Keith explained about the "Hunter Challenge." More information on DNR website. 3. Keith addressed questions about changes and concerns about: wildlife population dynamics, hunter focus, habitat, ethics... 4. NASP archery program opportunities. 5. Sporting Heritage Act: Makes available an adult only hunter education program, and offers first time individual license fees at \$5.00/license, and big discounts for combination licenses. 6. Hand-out providing information about "Learn to Hunt" and "Mentored Hunt" programs. 7. Upgrades to existing ranges, and building new shooting ranges. 8. Hunting for Sustainability class being offered at Madison Technical College. Big initial success. 9. Keith encourages a "true mentoring" program where experienced hunters work with new hunters for several different hunts over several years. 	
ACTION	none	

PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Keith Warnke: keith.warnke@wisconsin.gov	N/A

C. TEACHING SHOOTING SPORTS

ALLEN PRIBNOW

DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. NRA book on shooting and hunting: <i>"Whitetail Hunting"</i> This could be a good teaching tool. 2. <i>Cabela's</i> MDNR deer hunting education informational DVD. <i>Cabela's</i>, Bass Pro, Gander Mountain, Wildlife Federation, WDNR, Pitman-Robertson funds, and others may help fund a competitive trap team or shooting team in your area. 3. Slide presentation on shooting sports, USA Shooting teams, competitions, coaches, demographics. There is a concern about the lack of youth involvement in shooting sports in Wisconsin. 4-H is about the only organization that works with youth shooting sports. 4. SIUS electronic hybridscore lazer target scoring system. 	
ACTION	none	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
N/A	N/A	

III. MEMBERS MATTERS

DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Youth WCC: meet in Feb. or Mar. (only youth relatives of current WCC members can apply) 2. New WCC website linked from WDNR site is missing old archived minutes of meetings. 3. Local gun clubs encouraging youth to participate in shooting sports. 4. Hunter ethics video programs available for education. 5. Small game mortality rates are high and there is a loss of habitat due to forestry practices. 6. Outdoor Expo (only one in Dodge County) 7. Need for educating people about habitat management to promote wildlife restoration. 8. Concern that Hunter Ed is becoming too short of a training period. 9. We need to promote and teach more habitat education. 10. Link on website for youth to post. 	
ACTION	none	

IV. ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED	2:16pm
SUBMITTED BY	David Tupa, Secretary
DATE	10/13/2012