

Wisconsin Conservation Congress Executive Council Meeting Minutes



ORDER OF BUSINESS	5/12/16	2 PM	Manitowoc
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I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

A. CALL TO ORDER

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY	Rob Bohmann at 2 PM
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B. ROLL CALL

ATTENDEES	Weiss, Olson, Brown, Larson, Riggle, Choinski, Ellingson, Kruger, Smaby, Suchla, Brownell, Pitta, Maas, Splitt, Gruszynski, Bonde, Fahrney, Rogers, Risle, Meyer, Shook, Bohmann
EXCUSED	Kassulke
UNEXCUSED	
GUESTS	ZIMMERMANN, SCHMIT

C. AGENDA APPROVAL/REPAIR

DISCUSSION	None
ACTION	M/ 2 nd To approve as circulated M/C

II. INFORMATION & ACTION ITEMS

A. STUDY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

BOHMANN

DISCUSSION	All District Councilors were introduced to Michel Schmit will be replacing Adam Lindsey who is taking another assignment. District Councilors are to have their delegate committee assignment requests turned into Mike Schmit by the end of the convention on Saturday.
ACTION	Information only no action taken

B. YOUTH CONSERVATION CONGRESS UPDATE

BOHMANN

DISCUSSION	Rob stated that the total number of youth delegates has stayed about the same as last year. As youth graduate and new delegates are brought in it has balanced out there is a need to increase the total and that should be a goal in the future. Again this year there will be additional break out sessions for the youth delegates during the convention.
ACTION	Information only no action taken

C. 2016 SPRING HEARINGS REVIEW

BOHMANN

DISCUSSION	Rob reviewed the statewide vote as found in this year's convention book. (Tab 1 in convention book)
ACTION	Information only no action taken

D. PROPOSED COP CHANGES**BONDE**

DISCUSSION	Larry reviewed the suggested COP changes as found in this year's convention book. Depending on what is approved additional modification may be needed. (Tab 4 in convention book)
ACTION	Information only no action taken

E. RULES & RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT**BONDE**

DISCUSSION	Larry commended the committee for all of the work that was done and the quality of the delegates made his job easier. Larry reviewed the recommendations of the committee for all approved county resolutions. This is summarized in tab (2) of the convention book. A number of resolutions were asked to be referred to other committees and the following actions were taken:
ACTION	Motion by Riggle, 2 nd by Olson to refer (270216) Legislation to guide CWD positive Captive/farmed herds and (030116) Require double fencing for all captive cervid operations to the next Executive Council meeting (5/24/16), Motion Carried. Motion by Shook, 2 nd by Kruger to move (010316) Revise waterfowl baiting rules from Migratory to Legislative Committee; this is a federal issue and would require legislative changes, Motion Carried. Motion by Shook, 2 nd by Smaby to move (060416) Efforts to control the parasitic Cow Bird from Migratory to Legislative Committee; this is also a federal issue that requires legislative changes, Motion Carried. Motion by Shook, 2 nd by Larson to move (540616) Sandhill crane hunting season from Migratory to Legislative committee to find a sponsor. This has been voted on three different times to favor this by the Migratory Committee, Motion Carried.

F. DRAFT WCC COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY**FAHRNEY**

DISCUSSION	Lee reviewed the handout explaining the Public relations committees proposed plan. See attachment (1)
ACTION	Information only no action taken

G. REVIEW OF COUNTY DEER ADVISORY COUNCIL'S**BOHMANN**

DISCUSSION	Rob reviewed all CDAC recommendations that were nonstandard and asked for councilor's opinions on their districts recommendations. Rob commended the CDAC's for the job they did again this year. He thanked all of the Congress members on those councils for their commitment to the process.
ACTION	After some discussion Motion by Smaby, 2 nd by Splitt to accept all CDAC recommendations and recommend this action to the DNR Board at their next meeting, Motion Carried. All council recommendations will be advanced to the Natural Resources Board at their next meeting.
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
WCC Chairman	Next DNR Board Meeting

III. DEPARTMENT INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**A. DNR SPRING FISHERIES RESULTS****KATE STROM-HORNS**

DISCUSSION	Kate reviewed the results of the Fisheries questions.
ACTION	Information only no action taken

B. DNR SPRING WILDLIFE HEARING RESULTS**SCOTT LOOMANS**

DISCUSSION	Scott reviewed the results on the (8) Wildlife questions and the (2) Natural Resources Board questions. The department has not formulated their own internal recommendations to the secretary or board yet. Scott explained that this normally is done after the convention and after the may DNR Board meeting.
ACTION	Information only no action taken

C. DNR LEADERSHIP'S REMARKS**KURT THIEDE**

DISCUSSION	Kurt reviewed some of the current changes and also some proposed changes on how the department is conducting business and what we can expect in the future
ACTION	Information only no action taken

**IV. Member Matters
ALL**

DISCUSSION	Maas reported on a need for help in replacing materials in the "Wall of Fame" display. We will be attending the youth expo at Poynette again this year and many of the mounts and displays are in need of repair or replacing. Bohmann thanked the Council for working with him over the years; he is not running for Chairman or Executive Council. He said it has been a pleasure and he is looking forward to spending time with his family and recreating outdoors.
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V. ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED	Motion by Rogers to adjourn, 2nd by Smaby, Motion Carried...Meeting adjourned at 4:50 PM
SUBMITTED BY	Dale Maas
DATE	5/12/16