

Wisconsin Conservation Congress

Executive Meeting

Conference Call

Meeting Minutes



ORDER OF BUSINESS	June 19, 2015	12:30 PM	Conference Call
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I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

A. CALL TO ORDER

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY	Chairman Bohmann at 12:30 PM
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ROLL CALL

ATTENDEES	Bohmann, Bonde, Maas, Fahrney, Kari Lee Zimmermann
EXCUSED	Joe Weiss
UNEXCUSED	
GUESTS	none

C. AGENDA APPROVAL/REPAIR

DISCUSSION	No agenda repair needed M/ Fahrney 2 nd / Bonde to approve M/C
ACTION	

II. INFORMATION & ACTION ITEMS

A. WM 04-15(E) EARLY TEAL/MORNING DOVE SEASON

BOHMANN

DISCUSSION	This is the second year of a trial three year offering from the Feds. The offering was to give those in the North an opportunity on Teal and Morning Doves before they migrate South and is supported by the Congress Migratory Committee. There have been few problems but some concerns as to miss identification of birds. There have been some cases of this happening but this is a small amount and within limit ranges designated by the Feds. We will continue to monitor as this is still a trial three year program. Motion/Maas, 2 nd /Bonde to support, Motion Carries	
ACTION	Support the program and communicate to the DNR Board that support.	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE
Bohmann		Next opportunity

B. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO COLUMBIA CO. MASTER PLAN TO ALLOW SITING OF A SHOOTING RANGE AT MUD LAKE WILDLIFE AREA COLUMBIA COUNTY

BOHMANN

DISCUSSION	Bohmann read a letter from Columbia County Sporting Alliance in support of the project. In the
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SION	document it was stated that this was the best location of all potential sites. The county needs a site and is struggling with damage and littering in other state property locations. Motion/Maas, 2 nd /Fahrney to support, Motion Carries		
ACTION	Support the program and communicate to the DNR Board that support. <input type="checkbox"/> FORMTEXT <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE	
Bohmann		Next opportunity	

C. ADVISORY COMMITTEE OFFICERS

BOHMANN

DISCUSSION	List of assignments are over 95% done. Still have one committee chair (Mississippi) and three secretary positions (Rules, 10 Year Plan and Mississippi) to fill. Rob will make some calls to see if he can find some delegates that will help. Here is a link for the assignments so far. http://dnr.wi.gov/about/wcc/Committees.html We still need additional delegates to fill out some committees. There was a discussion on how we fill some of those open spots, some of those happen due to vacancies in the congress. Fahrney will be writing an article for the Outdoor News in an effort to get more involved at the county level.		
ACTION	M/ Bonde 2nd/ Fahrney to support M/C		
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE	
Bohmann		ASAP	

D. Leadership Training

Bohmann

DISCUSSION	Bohmann: still not sure if or when we are putting on a leadership training session for chairs and committee leadership. Kari: we could do a conference call but that might not be very successful, a computer linking session could also be a possibility. A discussion of what would be the agenda and how do we deliver it to the delegates took place. Maas; suggested that we have a video available to delegates as a resource. Bonde: we did this for district training last year and it was received well. Maybe Kari can put a script together and work with Nadia Bogue (Milwaukee Co. delegate) and then get officers involved in the production.		
ACTION	Move forward		
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE	
Zimmermann, Bogue Ex Officers as needed		First round of committee meetings	

E. ADMINISTRATIVE HOUSEKEEPING

BOHMANN

DISCUSSION	<p>Struggling with youth CC not getting enough support for mentors Kari would like to get the oversight committees together and get the youths there too there is a need for the oversight committee to understand what there roll is and the youth delegates have some say on how this is moving forward. We shouldn't have to wait 2-3 months to find a mentor, this is embarrassing to the Congress and makes us look foolish. Kari: will have a conference call with oversight com to get them involved. Bonde: We have a lot of opportunities within the department to get the youth involved we just need to get the current and potential mentors up to speed as to what is available and who to contact as a resource. Bohmann This is our baby and we need to get this going and wants this put on the agenda for the district meetings.</p> <p>Kari has a meeting coming up with department leadership and wants to be sure we have a plan in place. Maas: This is not soon enough I agree we need to put on fall district meeting agenda for a list of current mentors and also who will be volunteer mentor, but how about the Chair write a letter to all District Councilors and delegates explaining the urgency so we can get ahead of the issue we need this to move quicker. We need this prior to getting youth delegates for each district It makes no sense to ask for youth delegates, have them step forward and then wait three months to get them a mentor.</p> <p>Kari: The Oversight committee should have input on this we can setup a conference call in July with the committee and officers to better define the responsibilities of the committee and how we are going to move forward. Everyone agreed and suggested a night call to accommodate most delegates. Maas: Suggested contact Dave Tupa Chair of committee and give him a heads up and get his input. Rob will call D. Tupa tonight.</p> <p>Kari: Nadia Bogue was not able to present her Draft communication plan at the convention and suggested Nadia be a part of the next Ex. Council meeting or would we prefer a presentation to the Ex. Committee at the next conference call? Her plan is a procedure on how to handle contacts between</p>		
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	congress and public. It was decided that she would be invited to be a part of the next conference call meeting in July; (this will be an evening call Nadia is a Milwaukee County delegate).	
ACTION	See above	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
See above	See above	

III. MEMBERS MATTERS

All

DISCUSSION	<p>Fahrney: how did COP acknowledgment go for compliance? He also requested a list for District meetings so we can follow up on who didn't complete. Who is going to be legislative Chair? Bohmann: Scott Gunderson from Racine County will be Chair of that committee. Fahrney: We should get a letter out to the legislators on this as last week he was at the capitol was asked. He went to capitol to testify on proposed bill AB 243 He thought it went well. (This is asking for support for not allowing group bagging on hunting carcass tag. Conservation Chronicle will have July 15th as a deadline for articles to Kari. Rob will have an article on the need to step up to the plate for being a mentor. Lee will work on Delegate Highlight, Scott McAuley was agreed on. Larry: Working with forestry on their new responsibilities he will write an article Bohmann: Kurt Thiede address from the convention would be better. Maas: Suggested that we should consider getting some equipment for the secretary office, he suggested a digital recorder and laptop. He also had a list of equipment and materials that would be needed to repair and enhance the Congress display trailer that is used at various venues throughout the state.</p>
ACTION	Motion Bonde 2 nd Fahrney to adjourn M/C

IV. ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED	1:28 PM
SUBMITTED BY	Dale C. Maas
DATE	6/19/15