



Executive Committee District Leadership Council Annual Meeting

**Wisconsin Conservation Congress
 Meeting Minutes**

ORDER OF BUSINESS	02/20/2017	1:30 PM	Conference Call
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I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by	Larry Bonde at	1:34 PM
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B. ROLL CALL

ATTENDEES	Larry Bonde, Al Shook, Dale Maas, Joe Weiss, Kari Lee Zimmermann, Mike Schmit
EXCUSED	Lee Fahmey
UNEXCUSED	
GUESTS	Terry Vey, Jennifer Gihring, Eric Lobner, Keith Warnke, Quinn Williams

C. Agenda approval repair

DISCUSSION	Larry asked permission to vary from the agenda order in order to better utilize DNR staff time.
ACTION	Motion by Shook 2nd by Weiss to approve agenda as amended. Motion carried.

D. [Text]

DISCUSSION	
ACTION	

II. INFORMATION & ACTION ITEMS

A. R3 at May convention

Keith Warnke

DISCUSSION	Keith explained the change in the delivery of the R-3 program and would like to make a short presentation at the Congress convention along with having a display table for the delegates to review and comment.	
ACTION	I consensus the executive committee R-3 will be added to the convention agenda as previously stated.	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
Kari Lee Zimmerman	The convention agenda deadline	

B. CWD Review Committee Update

Larry Bonde

DISCUSSION	Larry reported that the review is completed an update of the committees response will be going to the Natural Resources Board at their next meeting. Al Shook has been taking the lead on this project on behalf of chairman Bonde. Al mentioned that he was happy to do the work and that was a well-run process and feels the action items in the report will yield a good plan. The information will be passed on to the board and they will then give further direction in the process.	
ACTION	Information only no action taken.	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	

C. NRB agenda item 2B2

Terry Vey

DISCUSSION	This item is being brought before the DNR Board for the use of Stewardship Grant money to purchase property along an existing trail in the city of West Bend (Washington County). The review is asking to limit Hunter based activities on the property in question. A review was made from a safety standpoint and the results concur with the request. Per statute the results were posted on the government website for 30 days and received 0 comments.	
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ACTION	Motion by Maas 2nd by Shook to accept the proposal. Motion carried.	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

D. NRB agenda item 2B3

Terry Vey

DISCUSSION	Again this item is being brought before the DNR Board for the use of Stewardship Grant money to purchase property in the city of Watertown (Jefferson County). The review is asking to limit Hunter based activities on the property in question. A review was made from a safety standpoint and the results concur with the request. Per statute the results were posted on the government website for 30 days and received 0 comments.	
ACTION	Motion by Shook 2nd by Maas to accept the proposal. Motion carried.	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

E. NRB agenda item 2B4

Terry Vey

DISCUSSION	Again this item is being brought before the DNR Board for the use of Stewardship Grant money to purchase property in rural Dane County. The review is asking to limit Hunter based activities on the property in question. This request is different in that it asked to eliminate gun deer hunting but what offer archery and limited gun hunting for small game by permit only. A review was made from a safety standpoint and the results concur with the request. Per statute the results were posted on the government website for 30 days and received 0 comments.	
ACTION	Motion by Maas 2nd by Shook to accept the proposal. Motion carried.	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

F. Proposed changes to carcass tag options

Eric Lobner

DISCUSSION	<p>Eric stated that due to the issues with last year's deer carcass tags they were looking at 7 different options narrowing it down to the 2 that are being proposed. The reason for the urgency of this review is that the 2017 license roll-out is scheduled for March 8. This proposal is scheduled to go before the NRB Board at their March 1 meeting. This means all computer programming has to be completed and tested prior to March 8.</p> <p>Larry asked if certain members of the legislature had an opportunity to review this because there was some wanted to eliminate the paper tag entire. Eric stated that yes vetted to the concert later. Joe Weiss questioned the accuracy of the data; this is vital to the CDAC committees as they make their deliberations. Dale Maas commented that many sportsman were dissatisfied the current pertaining system and wanted to go back to the durable tags along with day, time and sex options to be knifed split in the past.. Stated that publicist requesting easier options that don't require them to go to a licensed vendor, that 20% of the license sales for deer hunting in 2016 were done the day before. Dale stated that he understood some of that issue in order to maintain protocol and the integrity of the system he felt strongly that this concept needed more vetting and anything less degraded the quality of the data.</p> <p>After further discussion consensus was of the 2 options offered that having the tag number on both the top and bottom of the paper registration tag was preferred, this at least maintained some continuity as to the owner of the harvested animal.</p>	
ACTION	Consensus was registered no further action taken	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

G. Update on WCC disciplinary and appeals process

Larry Bonde

DISCUSSION	Larry reviewed the proposed changes to the code of procedure. There was much discussion as to the appropriateness and degree of discipline given that we are a volunteer organization. It was stated that these are guidelines and the appropriateness of discipline needs to be looked at consistently and the circumstances that caused the issue. The executive committee still maintains direct oversight on all disciplinary actions, it was also mentioned by legal that any individual or individuals asking for disciplinary action against a delegate and may not remain anonymous.	
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ACTION	Motion by Shook 2nd by Weiss to advance proposed Code of Procedure change To the Floor of the Convention. Motion carried.	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

H. Conservation Congress administrative housekeeping (no action will be taken)

Kari Lee Zimmermann

DISCUSSION	<p>Kari mentioned that at a recent Outreach and Public Relations Committee meeting Frank Pratt made a proposal for a fishing mentor program. The committee has requested that Frank be allowed 10 minutes of time at the state convention to share his idea, he is also willing to set up a table in the lobby to share some of the resources that he is currently using in his area. Consensus of the Executive Committee was to allow this to happen and Kari was asked to add it to the convention agenda.</p> <p>Kari also asked about the purchase of convention pins for this year's event. Consensus was a non-dated Ken would be best but that she should also check with the friends group but amount of money they've are willing offer for the purchase.</p> <p>Larry also talked about patches and T-shirts be made available at the state convention. The consensus was to order a quantity patches and also check on T-shirts both long and short sleeve with or without pockets T-shirts would have paid to color silkscreen logo applied.</p> <p>Kari also mentioned the difficulty of getting accurate meal counts at the convention, in the past if someone forgot to order tickets early she had some available but this created a lot more work. She is proposing a \$2 addition for each meal if purchased at the door. The committee felt that that was appropriate.</p> <p>Larry stated that Al has been doing the majority of the work on a CDAC oversight committee. There have been some challenges and in some cases questionable actions taken. This is informational only but he expects further discussion at a later date.</p>	
ACTION	Informational only no action taken.	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

III. MEMBERS MATTERS

DISCUSSION	<p>Joe Weiss-Not happy about position that the board took on permanent tree stand locations. Larry stated that there were 3 more legislative reviews before that could be made law. Dale Maas- He is unhappy with the loss of the Natural Resources Magazine, in his area many waiting rooms have copies that are being utilized to help educate the general public and that this was not a good place to cut corners. He is also saddened by the loss of the daily news clipping email many in his district use that to follow articles throughout the state. Many do not have the technical know-how to search for these themselves. Kari stated that her and Mike have been working on a search program to allow individual delegates to search for the same type of articles. Kari was asked to put out an informational item to each Congress delegate stating that this was in the works and should be coming very shortly we thanked Kari for her and Mike's effort at working around this issue. Larry stated that he and Al were going to be very busy next month attending meetings and visiting the state capital working on the proposed fee increase agreed to by the stakeholders group.</p>	
ACTION	Informational only no action taken. Motion by Shook 2nd by Weiss to adjourn motion carried.	

IV. ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED	3:30 PM
SUBMITTED BY	Dale Maas
DATE	02/21/2017