



- Executive Committee District Leadership Council Annual Meeting

**Wisconsin Conservation Congress
 Meeting Minutes**

ORDER OF BUSINESS	02/18/2020	3 PM	Conference Call
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I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by	Larry Bonde at 3:03 PM
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B. ROLL CALL

ATTENDEES	Larry Bonde, Tony Blattler, Dale Maas, Joe Weiss, Terri Roehrig, Kari Lee Zimmermann (Congress liaison) and Fallon French (Congress administrative assistant).
EXCUSED	
UNEXCUSED	
GUESTS	Rob Bowman and Mark LaBarbera.

C. Agenda approval and repair

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DISCUSSION	Larry asked permission to adjust agenda so that guest speakers could go first.
ACTION	Motion by Weiss second by Roehrig to approve request. Motion carried. (Secretaries note: minutes reflect original printed agenda, some items were taken outside of that order per above motion).

D. Public comments

DISCUSSION	None.
ACTION	

II. INFORMATION & ACTION ITEMS

Executive committee review of Natural Resources Board agenda for February 26, 2020 and

Zimmermann

A. may act on any of the items being brought before the board.

DISCUSSION	Kari stated that it was a pretty light agenda with only a few things we may be interested in. The Minocqua Chain walleye regulation proposal was discussed. This was for a one-year extension to the existing regulations since the department felt that though the process was proceeding it was not happening as quickly as expected and felt that one more year in the project would be beneficial. There was no action taken on this item after the discussion. The other item for discussion was the department proposal to the board to advance the harvest management regulations for Lake Superior. (FH-02-18) Dale mentioned that there was a concern by the Federation of Great Lakes sports fishing clubs as to the sharing of the resource on Lake Superior. For the last few years the Great Lakes committee has been hearing from delegates that the closure of the sport Lake Trout season is becoming a problem. There was a question as to after the negotiation process with the tribes (which is not an area that we have influence on) that the commercial non tribal harvest was out of balance with the recreational fisheries quota. After discussion Larry stated that he would do additional investigation to make sure he had all the available information. Motion by Blattler second by Weiss to authorize Larry to enter in to discussion and if needed development of a position letter depending upon the information that he gets in his follow-up. Motion carried.	
ACTION	As stated.	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

B. Raffle for Friends of WCC at Milwaukee sports show

Mark LaBarbera and Rob Bowman

DISCUSSION	Mark stated that last year the Friends of NRA had a gun raffle. This year he is offering this to the Friends of the Wisconsin Conservation Congress if they choose to utilize it. That this would be located at the OHEC/ Touch of the Wild trailer at the show. Mark stated that there is the opportunity to raise at a minimum \$2000 from the sale of raffle tickets and depending upon the sellers the opportunity is there for much more. Last year the group raised \$7500. The sports show runs from Wednesday, March 4th through Sunday, March 8th. He feels Wednesday through Friday from 12-4 we would need two-three people working the booth and 4-5 people signed up to work during the busy times 4 to 8. Rob stated that the friends already have a state raffle license so that would cover the technical portion of the raffle. They would need to get some form of ticket that would allow for contact information since the winner need not be present to win. He thought it would be a great opportunity to help educate the attendees about the WCC and the money raised would be used to fund the Youth Conservation Congress. The friends group will work out the details if we want to make it happen.
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	Motion by Maas 2nd by Roehrig to approve the proposal. Motion carried Blattler opposed. Kari will put together the information and send out a request to all delegates to see who can volunteer.	
ACTION	As stated.	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

C. Wisconsin Conservation Congress administrative housekeeping (no action will be taken) Kari Lee Zimmermann

DISCUSSION	Kari stated that the packets for the informational items and the hardcopy of the spring survey would be mailed out to all delegates this week (2/24/-2/28). She also stated that the advanced information on the various options for lodging for the state convention in Green Lake was included in the delegate packet	
ACTION	Information only. No action taken.	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

III. MEMBERS MATTERS

DISCUSSION	<p>Dale gave an update on the educational trailer proposals and his frustration on being unable to secure a sponsor at this time. He has sent out numerous proposals to companies and organizations in hopes of finding the required sponsor and asked that the Outreach Committee consider if we need to focus on multiple sponsors with a lesser investment.</p> <p>Terri stated that she was working with the Outreach Committee along with the trailer subcommittee to review the items assigned to those committees along with the Strategic Planning Committee so that she will be able to give a report at the state convention.</p> <p>Joe: nothing.</p> <p>Tony stated that in a recent Wisconsin Outdoor News article there was some bad information about the Wisconsin elk herds. Contact was to be made with the news paper in hopes of getting clarification.</p> <p>Larry: nothing.</p> <p>Motion by Weiss second by Roehrig to adjourn. Motion carried.</p>	
ACTION	Informational only. No action taken.	

IV. ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED	3:57 PM
SUBMITTED BY	Dale C. Maas
DATE	03/21/2020