



The Idaho Association of WEED CONTROL SUPERINTENDENTS

Chair:
Terry Lee
Camas County
PO Box 130
Fairfield, Idaho 83327
(208) 764-3512

Vice- Chair:
Kali Sherrill
Twin Falls County
1234 Highland Ave.
Twin Falls, ID 83301
(208)734-9000

Secretary – Treasurer:
Bonnie Davis
Washington County
PO Box 865
Weiser ID 83672
(208)414-1950

SPRING EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

200 Fulton Street, Suite 104, Salmon, Idaho

April 4, 2018 8 a.m. (Mountain Time)

In Attendance

Chair: Terry Lee

Secretary/Treasurer-Bonnie Davis

Region 1: Chase Youngdahl

Region 3:

Region 5:

Vice Chair: Kali Sherrill

Past Chair: Bryce Fowler

Region 2: Alan Martinson

Region 4: Terry Ruby

Region 6: Tony Pozenel

Others Attending: - Sharayh Krantz-Region 6 alternate, Mitch Whitmill & Jeffrey Pettingill-Region 6.
Chairman Terry Lee called meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

General Business

Regarding Agenda: Alan Martinson requested we add Noxious Weed Advisory Committee to Old Business. Motion was made by Kali Sherrill to approve the agenda as amended, second by Chase Youngdahl. Motion carries.

Regarding Minutes of the Winter Meeting-Boise, Idaho-Motion was made by Terry Ruby to approve the winter minutes as written, second by Alan Martinson. Motion carries.

Tony Pozenel joined the meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Bonnie reported the following: budgeted expenses of \$8,008.29 remains with a checkbook balance of \$12,789.74. Motion by Chase Youngdahl to accept the current financial report as presented, second by Terry Ruby. Motion carries.

Reports

IWCA Report- Terry Lee reported they have had one meeting since the winter conference at which time they reviewed the conference evaluations. Tim Prather has some good ideas to make changes to the break-out sessions by naming them: Technology, CWMA, Bio Control and IPM which will include EDRR. The 2019 conference is scheduled for January 16-17, 2019 at the Riverside (same location as last year). Jeffrey stated a lot of people complain about that date and he would rather have it in February. The Wilbur Ellis conference is at the same time. Terry stated they will be revisiting different dates in the future. A brief discussion of Japanese Yew and the fact that it is stalled. Food Producers denied support of this effort. Bonnie shared an email from Jeremy concerning if we wish to make changes to the weed list, rules and rulemaking. Brief discussion if we wish to add or delete any listed noxious weeds. Alan stated if you have ideas or topics that would be helpful to IWCA they meet in May, July and October. Please forward these ideas to Alan or one of the board members. ICRMP was talked about and that Mary Coper does safety videos, Jeffrey said maybe we should have a segment at the conference or our meeting about safety. He will follow up with Mary on this.

IWCC- This organization has not met since before the conference. Alan Martinson asked about paying this years' dues. Discussion of what we are receiving for our contribution. Bonnie asked if she is to pay them as she has in the past. (This is a budgeted line item expense.) Motion by Alan Martinson to send a letter with the dues that addresses the following concerns: 1. What is the value of our payment, 2. This

association has been inactive for several years, 3. If nothing changes we will not be a dues paying member for 2019. Second by Kali Sherrill. Motion carries.

ISDA Communications-Terry and Kali will be meeting with Celia but she has been out of the country a lot.

IAC Presentation-The summer IAC presentation was briefly discussed.

Old Business

Summer Executive Board Meeting-Kali Sherrill reported the summer meeting will be held at City of Rocks and she has reserved the Smokey Mountain Loop for our group. Mike Ottley is visiting with Speaker of the House, Scott Bedke, to see if he will attend on Saturday. Kali will bring firewood. More details to come.

Cost Share Update-Cost Share changes were discussed including the Sage Grouse funding opportunity. The Cost Share Review Committee was discussed, some concerns are mapping and that we aren't all office people nor do we have office people. The size of the committee this year was a concern and everyone had a vote including all 4 regional ISDA people, 1 from ISDA Range, Office of Species Conservation, Dept. of Lands, Dan Stafford, Lloyd Knight, Stephen Cox, Jeremy Varley, Joey Milan, 2 from IWCA, 2 from IWCC and 2 from IAWCS. Mapping requirements seem to be of the highest concern and the question of the black hole the information falls into. Alan suggested that Terry and Kali make this topic a priority when meeting with Celia. He feels they should meet with Seth at IAC as well and see if they can help.

IWAC-Roger Batt phoned in at 9.30. He thanked the board for their continued support. The plan for the year: he has requested each county submit their top 3 weed concerns to him and he can work on regional and/or county level education. Send pictures, videos, and what we are doing in the field so these items can be featured on the IWAC Facebook page. Idaho Noxious and Invasive Weed Awareness Week will be the week before Memorial Day weekend. He will be visiting eastern Idaho in June or so and will be shooting some media for the Facebook page which he will be requesting help with. He is currently working with specific counties on their weed concerns. The group thanked Roger for calling in.

IAWCS Website/Facebook-Chase reported he is able to use the current website and has made updates to the superintendent information, it was noted that Boise County is still vacant. He is behind on minutes (Bonnie will get those to him when time allows). Facebook-he has created an event section for meetings and other events. As of April 3rd our page has received 8,422 hits, in January it was 8,216. The group thanked Chase for all his work.

Noxious Weed Advisory Committee-Alan asked if we need to submit a formal request to the director to appoint this committee. Terry Lee spoke with Jeremy Varley a few days ago and he thinks it's in the works right now. Rick Waitley was going to send a letter asking this matter to be moved forward. This will be a point of discussion at their meeting with Celia that he and Kali will be having. It was suggested we push to get this done before the Director leaves. Terry Lee stated it will be up to us to find those people. Jeremy is in favor of this happening.

New Business

IWAC Communication from IAWCS-Alan explained numerous concerns he has with the campaign and referred to an email we all received from Roger in January that still listed Duke Guthrie and Gordon Edwards (both deceased) on the list. The website is totally outdated. The four prohibited genre were added one year ago and still nothing. Virtual field guide: 15 weeds go to blank pages, 46 weeds go somewhere else the 2005 Strategic Plan is still there, no CWMA video yet and this was promised last year. Roger receives \$45,000 annual salary and Alan does not feel we are getting our monies worth. Kali noted it has been 18 months since the weed of the month was updated and weed of the week was last updated on 11/3/17. Terry said we just had him on the phone, it was noted the board did not feel that was the time and wanted to discuss these concerns before talking to Roger. Terry said he is willing to meet with Roger but added he doesn't feel that IWAC is a priority for Roger. Terry Ruby feels if we are going to have this it should be a usable product. Jeffrey reported that \$40,000 comes from outside sources including BLM. Jeffrey thinks Roger still answers to IWCC. We should possibly express our concerns to the chairs of

IWCC and IWAC. Jeffrey added that Brad Elsberg is slowly rebuilding the Mountain Visions website as time and funding allows. He also shared he writes the weed of the week articles and submits them to Brad. Jeffrey reported the following individuals sit on the IWAC board: Amanda Williams, someone from Ada County, Jeremy is going to have someone there as well. It was suggested we submit our list of concerns. Jeffrey feels if we want our contribution to go to a particular project or product say so. The board was asked to send their concerns to Bonnie and please ask your region representative for input as well. Alan Martinson moved to send letter to the IWCC and IWAC Advisory Committees stating our concerns about the website. Second by Kali Sherrill, motion carries.

It was stated the best way for Roger to communicate is to send his correspondence to Bonnie and she will forward it on.

Break

2018 Annual Meeting Evaluations-The board reviewed the evaluations and for the most part the comments were positive.

Fall Executive Board Meeting-Chase will arrange for the meeting to be held in Sandpoint and he will set up a tour after the meeting. Meeting date is September 26, 2018.

LIA Nominations-Discussion that executive board members will receive preference for attending LIA. The board encouraged Tony Pozenel to attend, Chase will speak with his commissioners about attending and Sharayh Krantz is interested in the future. Applications are due August 1st.

IAWCS Winter Meeting 2019-Bonnie was asked to contact Celia, Lloyd and Jeremy again about using the conference room. The meeting will be held January 14-15, 2019 with Monday's annual meeting starting at 1 and at 8-4:30 on Tuesday. It was suggested that we set up a couple tables and everyone bring any old memorabilia from the weed superintendents association. Jeffrey will do this presentation. 30 minutes of photos and fun facts. Professional development options include ICRMP-Jim McNall, Rick Waitley-writing your legislators, Gail Batt-former legislator. Our board meeting will be held Monday morning at 9:00 am.

Other

Alan asked if the Invasives Species Council by laws require them to meet quarterly. (The Executive Order states they will meet at least twice annually.) The next Invasive Species meeting is 11/8 with the next meeting in May.

Jeffrey reported that he spoke with Dan Safford who is putting together a committee for Weed Free Forage and Gravel. Jeffrey asked that a sub-committee be formed and he would like one person from each region to serve on this committee. Region 1-Chase, 2- Alan Martinson, 3,(no one present today) 4- Terry Ruby, 5- Dave Herter, 6- Jeffrey Pettingill. Motion was made by Terry Ruby that we approve an Ad Hoc Committee for hay and gravel to help support the ISDA.

BLM says we must have a forage program in place if Idaho's program is not approved, we cannot ship across state lines. NAISMA is willing to write agreements. Tony Pozenel seconded, motion carries.

Bonnie announced she still has a few Legislative Directories if anyone would like to have some. She asked if we wish to continue to purchase these each winter Yes, the consensus of the board is to continue.

Meeting adjourned at 11.45 am.

Minutes approved by board 7-14-18