

NEOSWA – March Board Meeting Minutes

Oregon Small Woodland Association

When: Thursday, March 3rd, 2022

Where: Small Conference Room, Baker County Fairgrounds/Extension Service
2600 East St., Baker City, OR 97814

Attendees:

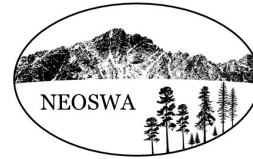
Zoom: Paul Harlan (Board Member), Alyssa Cudmore, Irene Jerome, Brandon Ferguson

In-Person: Debi Lorence (President), Maurizio Valerio (Vice-President), Jacob Putney (Secretary), Jack Kleinhoff (Board Member), Jana Peterson, Chris Heffernan

Called to Order: 6:01 PM

Board Meeting Minutes:

- January Board Meeting Minutes
 - Motion to approve minutes – Jack
 - Properly seconded – Maurizio
 - Vote – Passed Unanimously
- New Board Members
 - Irene Jerome (Grant Co.) & Alyssa Cudmore (Wallowa Co.)
 - Introductions & Discussion
 - Motion to elect Irene and Alyssa as Board Members at Large - Jacob
 - Properly Seconded – Maurizio
 - Vote – Passed Unanimously
- May 13th and 14th Event Update
 - Planning underway, more details to come
- Educational Toolbox Discussion
 - Suggested to add aluminum tree tags
 - Foundational – can be added to later
 - Suggested to utilize Sid Johnson Funds
 - Motion to spend up to \$2,000 on this educational toolbox - Maurizio
 - Properly seconded – Jacob
 - Vote – Passed Unanimously
- Firewise Communities Update
 - Community Days:
 - Pine Valley – May 7th
 - Spring Creek – May 6th
 - Wallowa Resources will hire new NE Firewise Coordinator soon



- SB 762 Updates (NE OR)
 - Successful Firewise Grants
 - Ritter (Grant Co.)
 - Lostine (Wallowa Co.)
 - Pine Valley (Baker Co.)
 - Landscape Resiliency Project
 - Upper John Day Valley – Supports Joint Chiefs Proposal
 - Small Forestland Grants
 - NE OR Defensible Space (NW Union, Morgan Lake, Hurricane Creek)
 - Southern Grant County
- Branding & Event Booth Discussion
 - OSWA OK with Chapter creating own branding
 - Suggested start with having an official logo created
 - Jacob & Chris Heffernan will brainstorm and pursue
 - After logo, have a tablecloth made for a booth
 - Jack will explore other tabletop display options
 - Noted importance of having something to “draw” people in
 - Name, a drawing/raffle, wood chips, resources & material
 - Motion to set aside \$600 for logo design & tablecloth – Maurizio
 - Properly Seconded – Jacob
 - Vote – Passed Unanimously
- Other Business
 - Board Terms
 - Bylaws state 3-year term for executive board members (President, vice-president, treasurer, secretary)
 - Doesn’t specify board members at large
 - Suggested minimum 1-year terms, with option to remain if desired
 - Moving forward, will formalize details on elections & term start/end
 - NEOSWA Documents
 - All board members will have access to a Google Drive folder containing all pertinent documents of the Chapter
 - Jacob to maintain
 - Will create a 3-Ring Binder of physical documents for official record – will remain in Jacob’s office
 - If board members would like a binder – work with Jacob to create

Adjourn: 6:58 PM

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 5th, 2022 (Tentative)
Board Meeting