

# Georgia Association of Natural Resources Extension Professionals

March 6, 2018

Rock Eagle 4-H Center Eatonton, GA

## Board Members Present

Kevin Livingston	Stephanie Butcher
Karol Kelly	James Morgan
Michael Abney	Rebecca Warren
Timothy Daly	
Ellen Bauske	

## General Membership:

### Roll Call/Introductions:

Meeting began at 10:10am on Tuesday,

### Approval of Minutes:

Mike makes motion to approve minutes of the October 25 2018 meeting, Kevin Livingston approved, motion carries.

### Financial Report/Dues Update: Stephanie Butcher

- See treasurers report
- Total Assets: \$4,523.16
- Expecting more from
- Since October 25 \$1,932.00 total deposits.
- See notes at bottom
- National dues owed is \$780
- \$4,523.16 - \$780 =
- \$25 has to submit Bill Hubbard
- Total membership today is 18 not including national registrations
- Total Conference registration is three
- Marketplace is going well but becomes more involved since this is not the purpose of Marketplace but made exception for us. They say we will need to get a PayPal account. Turns out we can pay through National
- Best way to go through National instead of PayPal. 2019, we want registration done through national. Everything from now forward. As of now, we will keep both ways.
- Go into join/renew at National website, it has where payments can be made by check or credit card.

### **Update on JCEP Leadership Conference in Orlando:**

- Jessica Warren and James Morgan attended Feb. 14-15, 2018, new subjects, one on facilitating that was useful.
- Network with other people from other parts of the nation; different perspectives.

### **Recruiting at GAE4HA:**

- Host a table at the GA4HA meeting April 19, 2018 at The Graduate in Athens, GA. Mike Abney will host it.
- Offer another pass to the conference. Draw a name from a bowl and will get free membership fee.
- Small fee of \$75 for table.

### **2018 National ANREP Conference April 29 to May 3, 2018 Biloxi, MS**

- Jessica Warren, Kevin Livingston, and Paul Pugliese are planning to attend.
- Mark McCann can make arrangements to get rental vans to go to the National Meeting.
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### **2018 Georgia Conference Update May 30 to June 1, 2018 Jessica Warren**

- Deadline to register for preconference trip is April 6, Deadline for register is May 15.
- Field trip tour shrimp trawl is limited to 20 people. – preconference tour.
- Stephanie will email checks for conference to Jessica
- Cumberland – getting registration for the ferry must be registered by April 6
- First, send conference information to district all program areas. Then we can to go ahead and open it up to the Master Naturalist.
- Encourage agents to register.
- Dates – March 14 – send it out to Master Naturalists
- How many Master Naturalist – 25 MN with a waiting list. We can have conference call before meeting.
- 50 total for meeting space. If we need a bigger meeting we can get it.
- Waiting for registrations to order food; Brian will do the dinner after the tours. Low Country boil.
- Transportation – as far as the conference, we can walk. For tours, Camden county Ext. has a van and a mini-bus.
- Sponsorship – Camden County Farm Bureau to sponsor a meal \$750.
- Anne wanted to us to send out information forms on posters and presentations – when we send information out to the district we will include information on poster and presentations.
- Two to three agents who judge the posters across the board. Heather and Anne will get recommendation and they will check into it. \$225 for both poster and presentation to be divided among first, second and third.
- Optional dinner on Wednesday evening. Maybe at hotel.

### **2019 Conference Update: Douglas County**

- Sweetwater Creek State Park

- Trade show with other organizations doing conservation work
- Behind the scenes at the GA Aquarium
- The park cannot take registration before 14 months before event.

### **Recognition of Outgoing Leadership and Board Members:**

- Have a committee come up with some recognition to give them.
- Maybe a plaque.
- Recommendations by Fall meeting. Send out a proposal before fall meeting.
- Mike Abney, Amanda Tedrow, Jessica Warren, Stephanie Butcher, Anne Randle
- Do we need to do something retro-actively.

### **Other Fundraising Opportunities:**

- Build our account. How to we raise more funds.
- Sponsorship has been limited.
- Something like the food booth at the SunBelt Ag Expo.
- Advanced training for Master Naturalist
- Maybe every six month have a tour and charge a fee – eco-tourism; issue is time component. One weekend deal.
- Silent auction at Conference budget \$100; some companies donate items.
- Get tours/trips from vendors at a discount for silent auction – specialty trips make sure people are able to afford and bid. Do it with the conference.

### **Upcoming Leadership Opportunities:**

- Treasurer, secretary, past president.
- Kevin will chair the nominations

### **Website Discussion:**

- Website feedback
- Do we need to have ANREP logo on website? Should we pursue the creation of a logo- Ellen will contact the UGA Office of Communications (OC) adds visible appeal – Ellen makes a motion to contact Oc, Kevin Second it, all were in favor, and it passed.
- Add a link for conference proceedings. Past agenda, board meeting notes, past conferences including pictures.
- Link to Extension calendar for upcoming conservation meeting.
- Promoting poster and presentation awards on website.
- Add a Facebook page. Who will keep it updated. Not a good idea. Group opposes it.
- People should not add themselves to list serve
- Transition old website to new one. The registration will be on national page but link will be on ours.
- We should have a link to the Quarterly National ANREP newsletter. Perhaps just a link to just the National site. A logo for it – national ANREP resources.
- What do we want our website to be called: GeorgiaANREP.org with Georgia Chapter underneath.

- Timeframe – Richie can buy the URL as soon as possible. Make changes recommended and send out to the board.

**2018 Georgia ANREP Meetings:**

- Karol will send out a Doodle poll. We will have an online board meeting before the conference.
- Ellen Bauske will set up a Zoom meeting.

**Adjourned at 12:15pm.**

**Minutes submitted by Timothy Daly March 7, 2018**