

**FAEP BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**January 25, 2016**

**605-475-4000 (code 607025#)**

**Call to Order –** Amy Guilfoyle at 12:00

1. **Roll Call –** Elva Peppers

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| **Name** | **Attendance** | **Proxy** |
| Amy Guilfoyle – President | Y |  |
| Mary Gutierrez – Past President | N |  |
| John Lesman – Vice President | Y |  |
| Melissa O’Conner – Treasurer | N |  |
| Elva Peppers – Secretary | Y |  |
| Bruce Hasbrouck – Parliamentarian | N |  |
| Teri Hasbrouck – Administrator | N |  |
| Hannah Rowe – Central Chapter | Y |  |
| Stan Stokes – Northeast Chapter | Y |  |
| Amy Mixon – Northwest Chapter | N |  |
| Stephanie Voris – South Chapter | Y |  |
| Lauren Edinger – Southwest Chapter | Y |  |
| Echo Gates – Tallahassee Chapter | Y |  |
| Tim Terwilliger – Tampa Bay Chapter | Y | Tom Hamill |
| Paul Fitzgerald – Treasure Coast Chapter | N |  |
| Courtney Arena – At Large Member | Y |  |
| Todd Hodgson – At Large Member | Y |  |
| Debbie Madden – At Large Member | Y |  |
| Tim Perry – At Large Member | Y |  |

Brady Walker was in attendance as a guest.

1. **Approve December Minutes**

Tabled due to proposed changes.

1. **Past President to Facilitate Elections of the Executive Board**

Facilitated by John Lesman in lieu of absence by past president.

* President- Amy Guilfoyle nominated by Todd Hodgson- all Ayes
* Vice President- Tim Terwilliger nominated by Tom Hamill- all Ayes
* Secretary- Debbie Madden nominated by Stephanie Voris- all Ayes
* Treasurer- Tim Perry nominated by Elva Peppers- all Ayes

The new secretary and treasurer should schedule calls to review duties.

1. **Secretary’s Report**

Elva has volunteered to continue working on the Board Book.

1. **Administrator’s Report**

No comments on the administrators emailed report. Administrator was not present.

1. **Old Business** 
   1. St Pete Student Chapter-Tom is working on getting the chapter up and running.
   2. Conference Update- Coconut Hyatt is the venue. The date is the last week in September. The committee is waiting on the approved contract from the venue. The theme may be “Fishing.” The conference will be 1.5 days with half day of Friday field trips, similar to the 2015 conference. The tracks will be remediation, advancement research, restoration and conservation.
2. **New Business** 
   1. NAEP Insurance Renewal - check to see if it is $75 per chapter. There is $675 budgeted for this item.
   2. The AWRA conference is in Orlando and they are asking for a special panel. The conference is Nov 16-17. Does someone from FAEP want to volunteer to participate? Please let Debbie know.
   3. SB 400- should we send an update out to our members? Amy to forward to the FAEP BOD for distribution if desired.
   4. SGF is pulling the liquor license and has been asked to man a beer booth at the Okeechobee Music Festival from March 4-6.  It runs from 11am-2am each day.  They need 8-10 volunteers per shift, ~ 4 shifts per day. If you are interested in participating, contact Lauren, Courtney or Amy G. for more info.
   5. Goals for 2016 include having a meeting in Orlando at Summer School (July), improve mentoring through BOD visits to chapters, have another in-person BOD meeting in September at the Conference.
3. **Chapter Discussions** 
   1. Southwest – Lauren Edinger- Next program will be Predator Bird Services
   2. South – Stephanie Voris- There will be a tour of gardens
   3. Tallahassee – Echo Gates- Lisa Robertson with FDEP to present on RESTORE Act funds.
   4. Tampa Bay – Tom reported that Tampa had a record number of people attend their social (140 people). Tampa is hosting a new member orientation that explains the benefits of chapter membership.
   5. Treasure Coast – Reported that they are planning an event at the Loxahatchee River Center in Jupiter regarding the FPL Ecodiscovery center and manatee usage. In February, Treasure Coast is having a joint meeting with the South Chapter with a presentation by USGS staff on large reptile conservation.
4. **Upcoming Meeting – February 22**
5. **Adjournment** 1:05 PM