



Colorado Section Society for Range Management

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 Fall Annual Business Meeting
 Palisade, Colorado November 7, 2018
 Minutes recorded by Dixie Crowe, CSSRM Secretary

Call meeting to order
 Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Dan Nosal, 2018 CSSRM President

2017 Annual Meeting Minutes
 Minutes have been approved and emailed to members

Dixie Crowe, Secretary

Treasurer's Report
 Lana read the treasurer's report inserted here

Lana Pearson, Treasurer

- We saved money on the new website
- Came out ahead on the summer tour
- We made an operating budget and stuck to it
- \$10,905.96 current balance in the bank

Category	Total
Starting Bank Balance	\$8,935.03
Expenses	
Website – Weebly	\$144.00
Website – Curt Hulbert	\$95.00
Newsletter – Ann Williams layout	\$125.00
Newsletter – Clare Hydock mailing reimbursement	\$29.55
Summer Tour – Ben Berlinger	\$246.71
Summer Tour – Lahr, Ind Country Johns	\$196.00
Summer Tour – Weld County Cattlewomen (lunch)	\$1,100
Awards – Valley Frames	\$154.00
Sponsorship – Badger Creek Ranch Quivira Coalition Workshop	\$100.00
Awards – SRM Tail Boss Print	\$215.00
Youth – FFA Range Judging	\$200.00
Total Expenses	(\$2,605.26)
Income	
SRM Section Membership Dues	\$935.00
SRM – Summer Tour Donation from Joyce Jordan	\$750.00
SRM – Summer Tour Registrations	\$891.19
Operating Budget – Transfer from Investment Account	\$2000.00
Total Income as of November 6, 2018	\$4,576.19
Ending Bank Balance	\$10,905.96

Overview of reports from BOD meeting Tuesday evening:

• Youth Activities

Ben Berlinger, Youth Activities Chair

- Handed out report of the student activities from this year.
- Our section has an active youth activities committee, listed in report, thank you to all those committee members.
 - We wanted to bring your attention to our FFA work, primarily on the eastern part of the state, but want to involve more FFA Range Judging and Plant Id competitions in the western part of state. IF there is something our committee can do to expand our involvement over here, we'd be happy to do that.
 - Monica Klingler is a member of the committee here on the western slope.
 - Please let our committee members know if we can help you. One thing we can do to help you with it is the 3rd edition of Range and Pasture Management Book \$28 plus shipping. It's an A to Z approach to teaching a range curriculum for Ag or Environmental teachers or download free of charge a PDF version, Emmet Jordon one of our ranchers on the eastern part of the state did the graphic design free of charge.
 - We had two regional competitions this year, NE and SE Colorado as well as a state competition with 276 students and 25 FFA chapters, a record for us.
 - We've received recognition our participation at the FFA & Camp Rocky as well as media coverage
- Camp Rocky is another event we've been involved with – High School Conservation Camp, our section presents awards for the range management section with an SRM belt buckle that went to Breanna Etl this year.

• Investments

Lana Pearson, Treasurer for Joe Brummer, Investment Chair

- Two main accounts: an investment holding account with a current balance of \$113,541 (much of this resulted from the 2010 SRM meeting CSSRM hosted). and the CSU endowment fund with a current balance of \$40,988.01 (used for CSU student travel to SRM meetings).
- If we need to, we can dip into our investments account if we need more money for our operating budget. We get money from our meetings, and \$5/person from SRM for each member. Our operating budget does need to be backed up occasionally from our investment account.

• CSU Student Affairs/Scholarships

Paul Meiman, University Student Affairs Chair

- Got involved with SRM as an undergrad in 1991, has been a member ever since because of their great support of students.
- Record turnout of students at a section meeting
- Also held Plant ID and URME exams at this meeting
 - 10 students from CSU and SUU (Southern Utah University) competed in Plant ID
 - All students from CSU and SUU took the URME
- At CSU we've repackaged our Range and Forestry curriculum, and Forest and Rangeland Stewardship has a new offering of a Restoration Ecology Major which is very similar to the old Rangeland major with a restoration concentration. Our annual report to SRM updated them and for the time being the two range concentrations and the new restoration major have SRM accreditation.
- For the first time, the college commencement speaker is a range major
- Troy Ocheltree, new range faculty member, was recommended by Paul M. and Hailey Wilmer for the early career award from SRM
- CSSRM sponsors two \$1000 scholarships for students studying range; one to a freshman/sophomore/recent transfer student and one junior/senior student. This year's awardees are:
 - Lee Goertznowsky Recent transfer student, came from Kansas

- Sarah LeVane Senior, CSU Range Club President this year and secretary last year
- We had \$500 from last spring which we are awarding to Cody Mortell, a senior and CSU Range Club Treasurer
- We have a really strong officer team, Thanks CSSRM for sponsoring student scholarships.

• **Membership**

Kathleen Delzell, Membership Chair

- If you look at the CSSRM.org website, I'm wearing the same shirt as on the website
- Membership committee – works to increase CSSRM and SRM membership (includes Canada, U.S., Mexico) interested in rangelands and rangeland management
- Approximately 200 members
 - 111 regular and family members
 - 20 life members
 - 12 emeritus members
 - 8 young professionals
 - 17 counted as students
 - 1 commercial member
 - 0 Commercial/Institutional groups
- We want to get all of our people connected by email, we only have 7 without email address, for those that had paper ballots 20 last year and down to 10 this year
- We had one death in the section this year, Ross Campbell
- Bruce Lindahl passed in 2017
- We will track deaths and send information to Vicky Trujillo to publish in the Range Flash
- We plan to have one distribution list for the section with current email addresses for all the members, if you're not a member please consider joining

• **Budget**

Josh Saunders Past-President

- We reviewed and approved the budget last night
- We stayed on our budget this year
- The 2019 Budget (read to the membership)

Budget Item	Annual Estimated Expenses	Comments
Website	\$145	Annual Estimated Cost (Previous Host Website deleted when we went to new website)
Newsletter	\$300	Annual Estimated Cost
Colorado Secretary of State	\$10	Annual Cost
Youth Activities – High School Youth Forum	\$1,440	Includes expenses for 2 Colorado students to attend SRM Minneapolis 2019 @ \$720 per student. (Does not include expenses for HSYF Directors who will not be paid by the section for attending).
Youth Activities – Awards	\$550	Expenses for Camp Rocky and FFA Range Judging Awards. Includes purchase of 6 buckles for future supply.
CSSRM Awards	\$800	Includes SRM membership, meeting registration, and lodging for ERC awardee.
SRM Annual Business Meeting	\$350	Evening social with CSU alumni – food and beverage.
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$440	
CSU Range Club student travel expenses supplement	Not to exceed \$1,500	Supplement CSU student travel to national SRM meeting.

Total Budget	\$5,535
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- Added supplement to the budget to help CSU students to get to SRM in Minneapolis (2019)
- Changing our former breakfast for HSYF and CSU Range students to an event with CSU Alumni in the evening at SRM Minneapolis

- **Website/Social Media/Historian** **Josh Tashiro, Webmaster/Historian**
 - We switched our website, new look, critique it, we have a gmail account, so you can contact us through the website to send us changes
 - We have a Facebook page – we share events, if anyone wants to be an admin to post things we can do that
 - From a historical standpoint we have a history from 1950-1988 in a published book from Dr. Rittenhouse. We are tasked with putting together 1989 forward so we are looking for more material
 - We'll put it in an electronic archive and on a google drive

- **Summer Tour Report** **Ben Berlinger Student Activities Chair/Dan Nosal President**
 - It was in the newsletter
 - We had a tour in June at the Jordan Ranch, Emmet Jordan was our Excellence in Rangeland Conservation last year, we had the tour at his ranch
 - The second day was hosted by Pawnee Buttes Seed and included a tour
 - We appreciated working in conjunction with them
 - 113 people on the tour
 - We had Ag teachers out for an Ag 101 as part of the tour (30-40 Ag teachers)
 - Fall tour with Andee Leininger at the Leininger ranch (25-30 people came to that tour) south of La Junta

- **Update on 2020 Meeting** **Julie Elliott, Co-Chair 2020 Meeting**
 - CSSRM and Wyoming section are co-hosting the 2020 meeting
 - February 16-20, 2020 at the Downtown Sheraton Hotel
 - If you want to check and see what committee you signed up for or if you'd like to volunteer please help our committees the lists are on the back table, the more hands the lighter the load
 - The only downside is that it's in downtown Denver
 - Our theme is Transformation/Translation, we're going to shake up the meeting format, this is based on survey results
 - Reduced committee meeting formation
 - Traditional tours
 - Ski tours
 - SRM-general public workshop at FWS's Rocky Mountain Arsenal
 - Historic Landscape Perspective of Rangeland
 - Importance of Rangelands
 - The Plant Above and Life Below
 - Rancher Perspective (the young and the old/restless)
 - Example of changes: Monday
 - Transformation: white elephants in the room: amalgamating the art AND science
 - Transformation: Human Decision Making and Rangeland Ecosystems
 - Transformation Functional resource heterogeneity in Rangeland Ecosystems
 - Transformation Engaging Society in Rangeland Research

- Still in the formulation stage, if you have any questions or concerns please share them with me, we would love to have your helping hands

Awards

Recognition of Outgoing BOD Members: Josh Saunders (Past President)
Josh Tashiro (BOD)
Chase Dryden (BOD)
Mysti Tatro (BOD-CSU Student Chapter President)*
*Accepted by Sarah LeVane current club president

Special Recognition Awards: Dixie Crowe (Outgoing Secretary)
Leininger Ranch (Summer Tour)

Outgoing President	Dan Nosal (Presented by Clare Hydock)
Trail Boss	Julie Elliott (Presented by Ben Berlinger)
Excellence in Rangeland Conservation	Stults Family Ranch (Presented by Julie Elliott)
Outstanding Young Professional	Hailey Wilmer (Presented by Matt Barnes on Skype)
Outstanding Publication	Crystal Tipton, et al. (Accepted by Paul Meiman)

Announcement and Installation of new BOD members: Dan Nosal and Josh Saunders

Clare Hydock, President
Josh Tashiro, President-Elect
Andee Leininger, BOD
Courtney Hurst, BOD

Adjourn