



Colorado Section Society for Range Management

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Annual SRM CSSRM Meeting

Minneapolis, Minnesota February 12, 2019

Minutes recorded by Bianca Bonizio

Call meeting to order

Michael Butterfield

Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m.

First Item of Meeting – Introductions

Dan Nosal

- Michael Butterfield -BOD Member
 - Clare asked Michael to facilitate today since she could not make it
- Dan Nosal – past president
- Josh Tashiro – president elect
- Sami Dinar – BOD Member
- Sarah LeVane – CSU chapter president and BOD Member
- Bianca Bonizio – Standing in as secretary for Baili

Maria Fernandez-Gimenez Presentation (Current National SRM BOD Member)

- Maria was part of a conversation earlier today to hear what other SRM sections are doing
 - Willing to share the main points if anyone is interested
- Buy Maria’s rangeland poetry books! \$17.00

Treasurer’s Report

Michael Butterfield, Stand-in Treasurer

- Michael read the report, which was emailed to him from treasurer Lana Pearson.

Category	Total
Starting Bank Balance	\$10,905.96
<u>Expenses</u>	
Annual Meeting – Wine Country	\$2,116.00
Registration	\$60.00
Annual meeting speaker + Barn Media	\$1,629.00
CSU travel	\$1,500.00
Awards – annual meeting	\$573.33
Sponsorship	\$3,000.00
Youth - Delegates	\$1,440.00
Total Expenses	\$10,318.33
<u>Income</u>	
Annual Meeting	\$3,871.36
Total Income	\$3,871.36
Ending Bank Balance	\$4,458.99

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Overview of Committee Reports:

● Youth Activities

Ben Berlinger, Youth Activities Chair

- Three high school delegates from the high school youth forum are present and gave presentations
 - Nathan Shannon – Kim FFA – sophomore
 - **Water: The Lifeblood of the Range**
 - Nathan's father was present (John Shannon)
 - His older son attended last year
 - He thanks the section for the sponsorship
 - Ingrid Hofmeister – Branson FFA -
 - **The Desertification of Southeastern Colorado**
 - Ingrid's mother was present
 - She says this was a wonderful experience
 - Josh Waller – Hoehne FFA – Junior
 - **Improving Water Utilization on Arid Rangelands**
- Two teachers of these students were present
 - Ingrid's teacher from Branson school – expressed her appreciation for SRM and for helping drive the passion of these young kids.
- Range Science Scholarship
 - Senior or junior in high school
 - Also available for a freshman in range sciences in college
 - Does not come from the endowment – it is different and fully funded
 - Application date is March 1st
- Dan commended Ben for his hard work in the high school youth forum.

● CSU Student Affairs/Scholarships

Paul Meiman, Sarah LeVane

- Report on CSU students present - Paul
 - 19 total Students
 - 6 graduate students – all gave presentations
- Sarah mentioned the club has intent to pay back the section for travel expenses to MN – Dan Nosal said the BOD had voted to include that amount in their annual budget at the Palisade meeting and repayment was not expected nor necessary.
- Report on undergraduates present – Sarah
 - 13 undergraduates total
 - 10 – URME
 - 3 – exempt speaking
 - 2 – main plant ID
 - 3 – teaching plant ID
- Sarah passed out thank-you cards to board members from her, Cody Lee for receiving scholarships at the 2018 Colorado section meeting.

● Membership

Gary Frasier

- Gary is standing in for Kathleen Delzell, CSSRM Membership Chair
 - Gary is chair of National SRM membership team
- Critical items in National membership
 - We need to start keeping our members for longer than three years
- Membership numbers report as of January 22, 2019

- **Total** – 167
 - **Regular** – 114
 - **Life** – 38
 - **Students** (including high school) – 15
- Other membership information
 - One CSU member lives in Mongolia
 - 20 Members live in the U.S. – 10 live outside of Colorado
 - 87 did not renew membership this year
- **Website/2019 Annual meeting** **Josh Tashiro, President elect**
 - Website – still working
 - No date for this years annual section meeting – maybe October?
 - Josh is attempting to discuss this with Wyoming
- **Dan’s Investments Report for Joe Brummer** **Dan Nosal**
 - Same report from Palisade meeting
 - As of June 30th
 - \$40,988.00 was in the endowment
 - This number might be different now
 - Paul says there should be two interest payments, so possible add \$900.00 to that amount.
 - **Investment account – total - \$113,541.00**
 - Dan asked Julie if any of this money will be needed for 2020 meeting
 - Julie says no – the parent society will pay
- **Update on 2020 Meeting** **Julie Elliott, Co-Chair 2020 Meeting**
 - **2020** – Still looking for help
 - Julie needs help from someone to find a band
 - Roy Roath – 2020 meeting add will go on Facebook tomorrow afternoon
 - This will be the first advertisement going live – hopefully a new one will go live every week following.

Adjourn – 7:46 pm February 12th, 2019