



**Board Meeting
10/21/2015**

Annual Business Meeting
Delaware Agriculture Museum, Dover, DE

Attending: Open Meeting

Acceptance of Meeting Minutes – Accepted; Rick motioned; Kim Cole seconded; approved

Acceptance of Treasurer’s Report – Accepted; Roger motioned; Cathy seconded; approved

Treasurer's Report				
	7/22/2015		Previous Balance	\$8,360.04
		Expenses	Income	
Reimbursement for Juy Board Meeting		\$ 23.68		\$8,336.36
Poster Award		\$ 250.00		\$8,086.36
Meeting Expenses		\$ 277.41		\$7,808.95
Catering - Abbotts Grill		\$ 1,213.00		\$6,595.95
Wetland Conference Sponsorship		\$ 250.00		\$6,345.95
Coffee Expense for Annual Meeting		\$ 27.98		\$6,317.97
Ice Expense		\$ 24.00		\$6,293.97
Conference Registrations			\$ 2,933.21	\$9,227.18
Room Rental *		\$ 375.00		\$8,852.18
* will be reimbursed				
			Balance	\$8,852.18
<i>Submitted by Marcia Fox</i>		10/19/2015		

Committee Reports

- Education/Outreach (Kelly)
 - Greg – no updates
 - Rick – invasive Species will be the special subject of the 2016 Envirothon. Invasive Training for Envirothon students will be held on November 7th. Marcia and Edna agreed to present information that day. Rick asked for volunteers on testing day in spring 2016.
 - Ashley – the Science Olympiad (2016-2017) will be held at Delaware State University in 2016. The special topic will be invasive species. It’s very similar to Envirothon. DISC can use the same resources developed for Envirothon. Ashley will provide more information at future education committee meetings.
 - The materials developed for both the Envirothon and Science Olympiad will be uploaded to our website, once developed, for educator use.

- Data Management/Research (Jimmy)
 - Jimmy – banner up is complete.
 - Forest Pest Outreach will continue to represent DISC after Jimmy moves to his new position.
 - Plant Industries and Forestry are working with communities and cities to create an emerald ash borer management plan. North Wilmington is the first group to work with them. Other areas or suggestions are welcome.

New Business

- Mid-Atlantic Panel on Aquatic Invasive Species update – this panel shares ideas on how to manage and control aquatic invasive species. The group recently opened a Request for Proposals for 30-50K available in the Mid-Atlantic region. If anyone is interested in the RFP or applying, please contact Edna.
- Marcia – DISC will sponsor the DE Wetland Conference in 2016. The conference will be held February 3 and 4 at the Chase Conference Center on Riverfront. The sponsorship includes a display table and free registration, which Linda Bailey will use.
- Marcia – the Delaware Section of the American Water Resource Association hosted a walking tour of Silver Lake restoration projects in Dover. The event was such a huge success that DISC will host for members in 2016. Topics covered during the tour included; streambank stabilization, fish ladders, wetland restoration, buffer plantings, and invasive species control.
- Linda – if anyone has events, information, etc to add to our website please send to Linda.
- DISC Board election year
 - Nominations were not sent out 30 days in advance of today’s meeting. Therefore, nominations were taken from the floor and all members were encouraged to vote. Nominations were as follows:
 - Chair: Cathy nominated Ashley Peebles as chair; Rick seconded; all approved.
 - Vice-Chair: Ashley nominated Linda Bailey as vice chair; Rick seconded; all approved.
 - Secretary/Treasurer: Marcia stepped down as secretary/treasurer. Roger provided a brief explanation of the responsibilities. Edna nominated Becca Bobola; Cathy seconded; all approved.
 - Parliamentarian: Roger stepped down as parliamentarian. He provided an explanation of the responsibilities. Ashley nominated Marcia Fox; Cathy seconded; all approved.
 - Members-at-Large:
 - Kate O’Hanlon was nominated by Marcia; Ashley seconded; all approved.

- Steve Hauss was nominated by Ashley; Rick seconded; all approved.
- Data Management Committee Chair: Jimmy stepped down as committee chair. He asked if anyone was interested and provided an explanation of the committee and duties. There was no interest; therefore, the board will discuss at the next meeting.

Special Award: Ashley Peebles and Faith Kuehn presented Roger Fuester with an award for his dedication and service to DISC since 1998.

Adjourned, 1:19 PM

Submitted by Marcia Fox