

**Iowa Chapter of the American Fisheries Society EXCOM Meeting**  
**September 6, 2013**  
**Boone Wildlife Research Station, Boone, IA**

Attending members were President Ben Wallace, President Elect Allen Pattillo, Past President Kim Bogenschutz, Student Subunit President Ben Dinkins, Secretary/Treasurer Dan Rosauer, and Past Secretary/Treasurer Andy Otting

### **Introductions**

- New President Ben Wallace
- President Elect Allen Pattillo
- New Student Subunit President Ben Dinkins
- New Secretary/Treasurer Dan Rosauer

### **Officer Change Tasks to Complete**

- Kim will submit change of officer form to AFS parent society
- Andy and Dan will move Iowa AFS account from The State Bank in Spirit Lake to US Bank to give future treasurers easier bank access
  - o This was attempted after the meeting and failed due to complications with our society not being a registered Incorporation with the Secretary of State. Apparently new rules since the last time Iowa AFS opened a bank account. Dan and Andy will work through the complications and eventually get an account established with US Bank.

### **Annual Meeting**

- Currently looking into a joint meeting with Nebraska. Ben Wallace has already contacted Martin Hammel with NE AFS.
- **Locations**
  - o NE staff may be able to stay across state line
  - o Due to difficulties with Iowa staff staying across state line we are going to look into Council Bluffs or Sioux City
- **Time**
  - o Try for late February, most likely the last week
  - o If high student interest, may look at holding a Friday – Saturday meeting

### **Other Business**

- AFS parent society surveyed all chapters to provide a master list of all schools offering fisheries coursework. EXCOM decided to include just 4 year universities in Iowa with fisheries programs and not include all colleges offering limited natural resource coursework
- Iowa Chapter AFS to donate \$100 to the Robert Klumb Scholarship fund – EXCOM all in favor
- Allen Pattillo started a discussion on AFS outreach possibilities. Ben Dinkins suggested holding a fish fry during tailgating or VEISHA.
  - o We would need to investigate health regulations for food prep and serving at such events
- Ben Wallace started a discussion on Certified Fisheries Professionals
  - o There is a need for interested individuals to have easy access to a requirements list and where to go to get required coursework
  - o Possible AFS sponsored scholarship to help with coursework costs