



2012 Board of Directors Meeting
December 5, 2012
10am

Minutes by Erin Mathews

Arizona Section, SRM
2012 Officers

Members in Attendance in Yellow

Doug Tolleson
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Mike Hemovich
President-Elect

Willie Sommers
Vice President

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Directors- North

Dan Robinette, Frank Hayes
Directors-South

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Executive Secretary

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Secretary-Treasurer

Rachael Cernetic
ASU Chapter President

Kelsey Hawkes
U of A Chapter President

Don Luhrsen
Past President

Informal Discussion (no quorum):

- Winter Meeting

Mike- Wed kick things off in the afternoon with Range 101 (organized by Doug in the afternoon). Basic 101 with range nutrition, Jeff Schalaus on range monitoring, John Kava on plant id and Emilio Carrillo on range sites.

Doug – It will be a scaled down version of ESD discussions with old range site terminology for beginning audience. I heard back from some other speakers, adding a Hopi Speaker, talking about grazing utilization.

Mike – Wed dinner on your own. 7-9pm membership meeting.

Thurs morning it will be all over to Al Medina who is covering the horse issue. He will have regional directors from Albuquerque, Forest Service, BIA, BLM, someone from Yuma (John Hall? - Wild horse director with BLM). He is also hoping to bring in Kelly Kessler a biologist with the Tonto. Al Medina will present on Thursday afternoon on some Verde information. Jeff Stone will continue presenting on erosion study data. We will have the auction and banquet that evening.

Friday morning – Jamie and Frank are moderating the collaborative group session – 5 different groups are coming. We have a few groups in the wings to be used at another meeting. So far we have Altar Valley, Quivera, Gila Watershed, Rim Grass Range Group, Grand Canyon Trust. We will then have a panel with questions and discussion. Finishing at 12pm.

Lunch for board and new board members.

Same timing as other meetings with the addition of the Wednesday afternoon session.

I have Doug's belt buckle in the works. Plaques are also in the works. We will have plaques for each director.

Sponsors? Clare's ideas to contact big companies? Encourage membership to get vendors and sponsors. Frank was going to try to get some, as well as Mike. We need to make more of an effort to do so.

Doug – Sponsorship from the university fell through cracks last year, but I am going to see if I can nail that down today. Possibly I can get NRCD support as well.

Mike – Al is typing up agenda on Thursday. Will use Doug for Wed, and Friday is nailed down. Will email out a narrative about the meeting, registration form and announce about online registration as well.

Doug – Possibly do what we have done in the past and at least once a week send a blast out about the auction to get the word out.

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Mike- partial registration will be available.

Willie - The bit with Terry didn't work out with Savory?

Mike – No, it didn't. Al's portion has been expanded.

- Approval of UofA/ASU/High School Student funds
 - \$1000 each will have to wait till we check with Ernie. We can send an email out for vote on whether or not to pass this.
 - Possibly look at how much money we are having per student since UofA has so many more students going this year than ASU.

New Business

- New Range Position in Phoenix going to be advertised with State Land possibly by the end of the month.