**COUNCIL MEETING**

**6/6/24 @ 7:33 PM**

Officers: President Mike Huber, VP Steve Coxon, Treasurer Ian Eggert**,** David Steele

Council members**:** Matthew Montoya Rush,Melanie Holmes, Charles Harrison

Appointees: Auction Mike Hellweg, Bob and Lora Watson, Micah Issitt, Mitch Wendell

Guest: Charles Harrison, David Farel

Next council meetings: June 27 (1 week early due to July 4th), Aug 1st, Sep 5th.

Announcements: Steve shared a paraphrased message from our Challenge recipient in Papa New Guinea: “Without your great support we would feel like we’re walking alone, you made a great positive impact on our work”

**SECRETARY**

Secretary David Steele read last month’s minutes with zest and precision. Ian made motion to approve minutes, Andrej 2nd. Motion approved

**TREASURER**

April Financial Statement Mike Hellweg and Bob 2nd to approve. May Statements and April and May Financial Activities shared as well. Bob motion, Hellweg 2nd.

**EDITOR**

Website report from Micah was presented. The website is fantastic. Details were shared about hosting, editing process, with phenomenal support from MASI member Nathan Loikas. Micah briefly explained the need for website consolidation and transfer, but discussion was table for closed session

Dorian Noelle will contribute articles for Darter.

**CORRESPONDING**

David Farel shared that he sent an email to council, and is working on centralizing contact info/advertising/sponsors and will begin reaching out to new contacts, but would like to know if any members have established relationships, so that David doesn’t duplicate contact.

MMR shared for Darter, wanted to make sure Darter is updated on who we’re getting donations from, so that we can give back through representation and acknowledgment. And would like to include additional advertisement for community partners who increase their in-kind support.

**ADVERTISING, SOCIAL MEDIA, SWAP**

NN2R

**MEMBERSHIP**

Bob/Lora NN2R

**AUCTION**

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**HAP/BAP**

Nothing for HAP, Chris submitted 4 things but did not fill out the forms, but is noted by Andrej and will follow-up. Mike reminded Andrej to turn in the forms for Andrej’s 55 Buces. BAP info was shared by Hellweg, and got feedback from members. Found original rules from 1971, and he noted it’s interesting to see that not much changed but that point reduction topic was already addressed. Mike H shared the questions for final approval to send out for general membership feedback.

**EXCHANGE**

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**POINTS TABULATOR**

**NN2R**

**REFRESHMENTS**

Huber will ensure that costs are down for refreshments

**WEBMASTER**

NN2R – needs speaker for July

**LISTMASTER**

NN2R

**LIBRARY**

David and Mike Huber set a time to inventory the library. We received a litany of book donations from John Van Asch. MMR offered to get a quote on price for stamp and raised stamps

**SPEAKERS**

NN2R – same speakers as previously announced, addition of Melanie Holmes in 2025.

**YouTube**

Huber asked MMR for details on technology cost for YouTube streams. MMR provided a detailed breakdown and recommendation for items needed to facilitate high-quality broadcasts. Total costs will be $500 budget max.

YouTube updates. Great in terms of livestream: 140 is low-end to 500+ high-end.

Motion to approve the technology purchase made by David, Steve Coxon 2nd. Motion passed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

MASI Challenge – Mike Hellweg brought up previous discussion for supporting MDC’s scholarship program for fishery students that are going to work for MDC, and MDC contact also got in contact with Sturgeon monitoring program that needs technical setup backpacks for the work they do.

Motion to approve made by David, 2nd by Micah. Motion passed to support the Sturgeons. MMR asked for logos or branding so we can PR it for it.

**NEW BUSINESS**

FORC Budget presented by Ian, motion to approve made Bob, 2nd by Steve. FORC Budget passed.

Several council members brought up questions and ideas about council positions regarding Show chair having a council position, but Swap chair not. Discussions were had to swap the positions on council. Mike Hellweg mentioned that the by-laws dictate that Show Chair have a position on council, and an alternative solution is to combine the 2 positions under Show Chair title. Motion to combine and have Show Chair assumed Swap duties made by Ian, Steve 2nd Motion passed

David Trademark name $350 with US PTO

Ian wanted to seek approval for USB purchase, $40 was provided as price and did not need vote approval as it is covered under budgeted byline for miscellaneous expenses.

Approval of council candidates presented. 6 at-large council members. No competition for the much-coveted positions of VP and Treasurer.

**CLOSED SESSION**

David motion Huber 2nd to go into closed session to consider private executive council matters.

Came back out to open session. Motion made Andrej, Steve 2nd. All supported. Charles Harrison voted to become a fellow.

Motion to close made by Hellweg, 2nd by Coxon, meeting adjourned 10:33 pm