American Fisheries Society Fish Health Section 2022 Business Meeting

September 8, 2022 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM (CDT) In-person/Virtual

Meeting called by:	Dr. Gary Marty	Type of meeting:	Annual Business Meeting
Note taker:	Carolyn Richards	Attendees:	FHS Members
Presenters:	Gary Marty, Carolyn Richards, Nicole Nietlisbach, Jayde Ferguson, Anita Kelly		

Minutes

Agenda item: Welcome/Determination of Quorum Presenter: Gary Marty

Discussion:

Quorum was determined by Carolyn Richards; Gary welcomed everyone in the room and online.

Agenda item: Review of Minutes from 2021 Meeting Presenter: Gary Marty/Carolyn

Richards

Discussion:

The 2021 Annual Business Meeting minutes were made available to members prior to the 2022 meeting. Hearing no objections to approving the minutes, the minutes were approved.

Agenda item: FHS Financial Report for 2021 Presenter: Carolyn Richards

Discussion:

Carolyn gave an overview of the financial report for 2021; the Section is in good financial standing with \$124,466.30 in the combined accounts. The final accounting for the ISAAH was still pending at the time of the meeting.

Agenda item: Recognition of AFS Aquatic Animal Health Inspectors Presenter: Brandon Taro/Gary Marty

Discussion:

Shawna Svoboda was recognized for her achievement as a newly certified AFS FHS Aquatic Animal Health Inspector.

Agenda item: Recognition of Snieszko Student Travel Awardees Presenter: Nicole Nietlisbach

Discussion:

The following students were recognized as winners of the Snieszko Student Travel Award:

Eva Marie Quijano Carde Manu Soto Davila Evan Jones Amanpreet Kohli Cristin Mayes Celene Slifka Arun Venugopalan Ben Americus Sam Darling Oke Ojo

The following students were recognized as winners of the Best Student Presentation Award during the AFS FHS Summer Seminar Series:

Chris Knupp Amber Johnston Eva Marie Quijano Carde Meg McEachran

Agenda item: FHS Committee Chair Service Awards Presenter: Gary Marty

Discussion:

Committee chairs that completed their goals for the year and were recipients of an award were recognized:

Wade Cavender (Fish Health Laboratory QA/QC Committee)

Jayde Ferguson (Nominating and Balloting Committee)

Ben Americus (Section Communications Committee)

Nick Phelps (Recruitment and Student Involvement Committee)

Matt Stinson (Archives Committee)

Anita Kelly (Policy/Position Development Committee)

Agenda item: FHS Leadership Election Results Presenter: Jayde Ferguson

Discussion:

Jayde shared the results of the 2022 election:

Vice President: Sascha Hallett

<u>Technical Standards Committee:</u> John Drennan
<u>Professional Standards Committee:</u> Nora Hickey
<u>Policy/Position Development Committee:</u> Myron Kebus
<u>Nominating and Balloting Committee:</u> Amber Johnston

Agenda item: Recognition of 50th Anniversary of the Section Presenter: Gary Marty

Discussion:

Gary recognized 23 individual Section members throughout the year in the FHS newsletter, where over 60 Section members were acknowledged as being influential. Dave Groman was the recipient of the "Been Around the Longest" award, having joined the Section in 1979.

Agenda item: President's "Above and Beyond" Recognition Presenter: Gary Marty

Discussion:

Gary recognized the hard work of the AFS FHS Summer Seminar Series, including Matt Griffin, Nick Phelps, and Megan Shavalier.

Agenda item: 2023 Annual Meeting – Burlington, VT **Presenter:** Anita Kelly

Discussion:

Anita provided an update on the planning for the 2023 Annual FHS Meeting – will be held in Burlington, VT but the date is to be determined still, possibly June/July. It was suggested by Dave Groman that the meeting be held in the

fall and Bartolomeo Gorgolione suggested a partnership with the WAVMA meeting. Anita informed that the meeting is currently being held in conjunction with the Northeast Fish Health Committee but they are seeking out other partners.

Agenda item: Announcing the New FHS President – Anita Kelly Presenter: Gary Marty

Discussion:

As the new President of the Fish Health Section, Anita Kelly presented the Past-President Award to Gary Marty and thanked him for his hard work. Anita outlined important issues for the Section to work on in the upcoming year: updating the By-Laws, updating the FHS Procedures Manual, forming an ad hoc committee on diversity and inclusion, and continuing to work on revisions to the Blue Book.

Agenda item: Adjourn Presenter: Anita Kelly

Discussion:

Meeting was adjourned by the 2022-2023 AFS FHS President, Anita Kelly.

Submitted, /s/ Carolyn Richards Fish Health Section Secretary-Treasurer