

AFS Fish Habitat Section

2025 Annual Business Meeting Agenda

Tue, August 12, 2025

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM Central Daylight Time

Room Rivercenter Room 11

Virtual Option: <https://us05web.zoom.us/j/81250145323?pwd=MGz4aaxCdZV5N8cPZ7dbUcdrGLGfil.1>

Meeting ID: 812 5014 5323

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- 1) Determination of Quorum (minimum of 10 members present) – Rebecca Krogman - Quorum
- 2) Call to order– Gary Whelan, FHS President
- 3) Recognition of AFS officers, FHS officers (past and present), other guests – Gary Whelan
 - a) David Thorne, 2021-2023
 - b) Kim Dibble, 2019-2021
 - c) Tom Lang, 2017-2019
 - d) Tom Bigford, 2015-2017
 - e) John Sweka, 2012-2015
 - f) Kyle Hartman, 2011-2013
 - g) Joe Margraf, 2009-2011
- 4) Approval of Agenda – Gary Whelan
- 5) Approval of minutes from 2024 Business Meeting – Gary Whelan
- 6) Review of Financial Report – Rebecca Krogman
- 7) FHS-NFHP-NOAA Awards
 - a) Rising Star Award for Outstanding Early-Career Contributions in Fish Habitat Conservation - Shawn Snyder
 - b) Stanley A. Moberly Award for Outstanding Contributions in Fish Habitat Conservation – James Turek
- 8) AFS Society Remarks - Gary Whelan and Jeff Kopaska
- 9) AFS Policy Update – Jeff Kopaska
- 10) Committee Reports
 - a) Awards Committee Report – Rebecca Krogman for Dylan Kwak – Thanks for your service, Dylan!!
 - b) Membership Report – Rebecca Krogman
 - c) Electronic Newsletter/Website – Rebecca Krogman
 - d) Social Media Report – Kanyan Klein
- 11) Old Business – Gary Whelan
 - a) Progress toward the President’s Vision for the Section
 - i) Quarterly Webinars

- (1) Start soliciting in September for Oct/November time period
 - ii) Survey membership
 - iii) Start preparations for 2026 Meeting
 - (1) Habitat will be the focus
 - (2) NFHP 20th Anniversary Celebration
 - (3) 2026 Annual Meeting Symposia Options
 - (a) Reservoir Habitat
 - (b) Instream Flow with the Instream Flow Council
 - (c) Marine – Artificial reefs – Other sections
 - b) FHS-Sponsored Symposia – None for 2025 but will be for 2026
 - c) Best Student Paper Awards
 - d) Student and Early-Career Travel Awards
 - i) Section provided funds for other travel awards
 - ii) Student Travel Award – Hannah Lenning, University of NE – Kearney - \$400
- 12) National Fish Habitat Partnership Update – Jason Olive
- 13) New Officer Installation – Gary Whelan
- 14) New Business – Michael Homer
 - a) Moberley Award Discussion – What could it look like in the future?
 - b) Upcoming Annual Meetings – Gary Whelan
 - i) Columbus, OH (August 30-September 3, 2026)
 - ii) Pittsburg, PA (September 26-30, 2027)
 - iii) Honolulu, HI (May 14-19, 2028 as part of JASM)
 - iv) Atlantic City, NJ 2029
 - v) Grand Rapids, MI 2030 – Joint Meeting with TWS
 - c) Other Business
- 15) Adjourn

FHS Financial Report

Statement of Income and Expenses 2023-2024

8/1/2023 – 7/31/2024

BALANCE FORWARD \$13,221.87

INFLOWS

5/8/24 2023 Membership dues 2,090.00

OUTFLOWS

9/15/23 Check to Great Lakes FHP (2023 Rising Star Winner's Choice) 250.00

9/26/23 Check to Kim Dibble for 2023 award plaques 115.00

9/28/23 Check to Kim Dibble for 2023 Moberly Award costs 237.35

10/2/23 Check to Illinois Natural History Survey for Jeremy Facer's award 375.00

10/27/23 Check to Craig D Wells (2022 BSP Winner) 100.00

ENDING BALANCE \$14,234.52

NOTES: The Section is transitioning from Wells Fargo Bank to LendingClub, a more nonprofit-friendly operation that is FDIC-insured. This will vastly improve our ability to manage account administrators, making the Secretary-Treasurer position easier for all!

FHS Budget 2024-2025

BALANCE FORWARD \$14,234.52

PENDING INFLOW ESTIMATED

After 8/1/24 2023 Membership dues \$2,000.00

PENDING OUTFLOWS IN NEXT YEAR'S REPORT

~1,000 members

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| After 8/1/24 | Check to R. Krogman (2024 Award Plaques) | 167.81 |
| | 2023 BSP Winner Check | 100.00 |
| | 2024 BSP Winner Check | 100.00 |
| | 2024 Moberly Award | 100.00 |
| | Check to R. Krogman (2024 Catering) | 434.69 |
| | 2024 Rising Star Winner's Choice of Donation | 250.00 |
| | 2024 Travel Awards | 1500.00 |
| | 2024 Nancy Foster NOAA Award | 166.25 |
| | Multisite Web Transition | 350.00 |
| | Multisite Annual Maintenance beginning 2025 | 240.00 |

ENDING BALANCE \$12,825.77

