

MOSAF Extended Executive Meeting Feb 19, 2025

Objectives

Continue to host one day technical tours/business meetings

In addition to the chapter meetings, have smaller “pod” tours, locally, ad hoc for no CFEs. Open to anyone.

Continue to look for ways to piggyback with other entities to have joint meetings.

MoSAF members to meet with MSU and MIZZOU either in the classroom or in a SAF student meeting to talk about their forestry career and MOSAF

Continue with outreach to grow MOSAF

No updates on Instagram since last year’s conference.

Text blasts? The “old people” in attendance say to only use this method if it is important, timely info.

Encourage early career members to participate or even potentially lead MOSAF committees

Combine small committees even if they’re unrelated. Fosters communications, and lightens the need for individuals.

How do we identify new members? If it’s not important to their job/required, they won’t sign up. MDC may be looking at professional societies as a way to maintain their “community of practice.” Some of the wildlife / PLC people already get memberships to QF, Turkey Fed, etc.

Membership stats

Membership is up: 141 total, 7 new and rejoined members. A handful of people are on their 60 day grace period before losing their membership.

We don't appear to have any MSU students? MZZOU students are 35 in the forestry club.

Nationally, we are very low. Hank remembers 28,000; we are now at 9,000.

Operations manual: low voting; we take this to mean the chapter trusts our review process. We will vote to approve the final (small) edits tomorrow; needs 2/3rds of attending members to approve to pass. Tyler did an amazing job.

Ed Stegner and MOSAF Forestry Scholarship- recipients were chosen.

PLT- Missouri State took it over a few years back. It's taught in conjunction with WET and WILD.

MO-SIC- Eric Yarnell not here. SIC now made up of MDC, Independent Stave, and Pioneer Forest are due paying members; MU, Missouri State, MCFA are associate members.

New Historian- Hank Stelzer suggests combining it with Membership Committee. He says he will recruit members to assist.

Chapter election for chair elect is this fall. Aaron Moore is Tellers.

Round Robin:

Jon Skinner- MNRC updates- started with 500ish, down to 482 attendees. (last year was very high at over 700). There is a need to help with moderators and door monitors for the mixer, and for the registration table on Thurs.

As of the end of January, MNRC fund balance was \$194k but that is without paying for this year's conference. Each year costs about \$80k. They'd like to have 2 years conference balance.

100 room nights short for this year. The societies may have to cover the expense.