

## **Western Regional Panel Executive Committee Conference Call Minutes**

Thursday, June 18, 2009

**Present:** Eileen Ryce, Karen McDowell, Erin Williams, Blake Feist, Lynn Schlueter, Bob McMahon, Diane Cooper

**Absent:** John Wullschleger, Andy Burgess, Amy Ferriter, Kevin Anderson, Louanne McMartin

### **Agenda items:**

#### **1) Q-ZAP:**

Eileen will send out an email requesting feedback from WRP members with comments due by July 15<sup>th</sup>. The draft plan has been sent to ANSTF members for comments.

A tentative conference call has been arranged for July 23<sup>rd</sup> to discuss WRP and ANSTF comments with the Executive Committee, Steering Committee and Susan Mangin.

Erin will contact Dave to work on appendices to include for review and upload to ANSTF website.

→ Waiting to hear what ANSTF member comments look like and decide what next steps will be.

#### **2) ANSTF meeting recap:**

Great job everyone!

#### **3) Annual meeting:**

a- Discussed draft agenda put together by working group and additional presentation/agenda slot requests. Erin updated the agenda accordingly.

b- Field trips: The annual meeting workgroup decided to offer three field trip options and see who signs up. The deadline to reply will be August 1st. Erin will send out registrations for field trip (and meeting) in late June and will also send out travel request form at that time.

c- Discussed the RFP and what to do with project money this year:

Executive Committee comments on draft RFP due by 6/19/09

Blake will send out RFP by end of June.

July 31<sup>st</sup> submissions will be due to Blake

August 7<sup>th</sup> – Blake sends summary of proposals and copies to ExComm

Proposals will be discussed on the August 13<sup>th</sup> ExComm call and will determine at that time if there will be online voting or email voting by membership.

August 17<sup>th</sup> – Proposals provided to WRP members to vote

Still TBD if there will be a Run-off vote or 2<sup>nd</sup> vote at meeting if vote is too close.

#### **3) Membership:**

a) Tribal member. Erin called Kay Wallis to see what was meant by her email. Someone else was to take over the Alaska Natives membership slot and Kay will get back to Erin with details.

b) A 4-year membership review needs to occur at the annual meeting. The ExComm decided to have everyone re-nominate themselves or nominate a new group/person. If someone does not re-nominate themselves/group for the slot, they automatically are not eligible for that slot. Erin will draft language about WRP membership roles and responsibilities to include in the nomination form and send that to the ExComm for review by June 26<sup>th</sup>. There was discussion about adding or modifying some of the categories (i.e. adding a Recreational boaters representative or a Recreation slot).

#### **Other news or business from the group:**

a- Erin sent \$5k to Dave Britton to redo the WRP website. We are hoping for some draft options for discussion at the annual meeting in September.

b) We moved the next ExComm call to Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> (same time).