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15 **AFCD State Board Meeting**
16 **August 10, 2006**

17 The Association of Florida Conservation District (AFCD) Board of Directors held a meeting at the
18 Double Tree Guest Suites in Orlando, FL, August 10-13, 2006

19 In attendance: Phylis Vandevere, Brittany Mayock, James Williams, Eva Webb, Mike Barr, Andy
20 Jackson, Earl Ziebarth, Mark Edwards,, Wilbur Dean, John O'Connor, John Chamberlain, Barbara Gill,
21 Steve Johnson, Norma Ziebarth, Nancy Barnes, Linda O'Connor, Cordon Currie, Michelle Thatcher,
22 Phil Giorno.

23 The meeting was called to order at 3:15 pm.

24 **I. Review of minutes**

25 Motion was approved as amended by Barr, second by Dean passed unanimously.

26 **III. Financial report – John Chamberlain**

27 John O'Connor suggests that we do not commingle funds. Use the interest only on the Ellis
28 Putnal fund. Earl said that, at this time, this fund is not in an interest bearing account. Mike
29 suggested that we need to get it into an interest bearing account since it is the only money that
30 can be used.

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33 Earl said that we are \$400 short of breaking even for the raffle prize money. \$600 came out of
34 Earl's district, as one of his supervisors sold \$300 in tickets.

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36 Eva makes a motion that we honor this drawing whether money is made or not. Marcus Edward
37 seconded. John O'Connor questioned whether we have sufficient funds in our account. Earl
38 replied we will have funds with the income from the annual meeting.

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40 The Putnal fund amount of \$15,487.21 has been deposited to the Foundation Account.

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42 We do not have a proposed budget at this time. We discussed increasing the dues.

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44 Mike would like to make a motion that we not increase membership dues, but would be
45 considering changing dues next year. John O'Connor seconded the motion. Voted unanimously.

46 John O'Connor suggested that we make a recommendation that Districts can donate to the Ellis Putnal
47 fund.

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49 **V. NACD Report**

50 Phyllis Vandevere asked us to be but in a recommendation for NACD contest nominations for district of
51 the year.

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53 AFCD will possibly nominate a conservation district of the year for an NACD contest.

54 Discussion followed regarding a process to do this. No decision.

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56 FDACS reported that the contract for services being considered is approximately \$68,000.

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58 Britney Mayock does not have a report.

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60 **VI. FCDEA Training**

61 FCDEA President Barbara Gill discussed training programs for FCDEA members at Area meetings.

62 They would like to coordinate with the AFCD as far as training topics.

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64 She also reported on the Silent Auction.

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66 **VII. Speech and Poster Contest**

67 Barr proposed the AFCD honor the FACD State speech contest award of \$1000 from the Ford Family

68 Scholarship to the last remaining recipient about to enter college. Motion by Barr to honor the money

69 owed, second by Marcus Edwards, passed unanimously.

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71 **VIII. State Land Judging Contest**

72 Committee Chair Nancy Barnes went to the state land judging meeting. Nationals said that their can be

73 more than one state winner to go to Nationals, there can be a total of three. Nancy reported the state

74 land judging contest is having difficulty finding a replacement for retiring UF coordinator Randy

75 Brown.. She has not been able to get on the Envirothon committee yet.

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77 John asked if we have asked Dr. Brown to be involved. Andy expressed that he can not make any

78 headway into IFAS. Andy asked John O'Connor to draft a letter to Dr. Brown with regards to the land

79 judging contest. No decision.

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81 Mike Barr nominated to appoint Nancy Barnes as the education chair, to the State Envirothon

82 Committee. Motion by Barr, second by O'Connor, passed 10-0.

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84 **IX. Activities**

85 Administrative Coordinator Michelle Thatcher reported coordinating activities.

86 The Board commended Michelle, Teresa Owens and John Chamberlain on their efforts to keep the

87 membership informed.

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89 **X. Discussion of Annual Meeting**

90 First Vice President Bill Ziebarth reported the convention is breaking even on expenses.

91 Earl said that it looks like we will come out ok. Andy stated that we signed an agreement that we would

92 have 120 people for dinner and would have to be required to provide 80% funding.

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94 Andy appointed the Resolutions committee: Steve Johnson, Andy Jackson and Gordon Currie will serve.
95 By-law changes will be brought to the general membership.
96 Travel Committee does not have a policy yet.
97 Marcus has donated six potted rose plants for door prizes.

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100 **XI. SSWCD Contract**

101 The contract with Seminole SWCD to coordinate the AFCD expired September 30, 2006. The services
102 were contracted for a rate of \$1,300.00 per month. Seminole would be satisfied to continue on a month-
103 to-month basis for as little as \$500 per month. Discussion incurred that this was not a sufficient amount
104 for the services provided. Motion by Chamberlain, second by Ziebarth. Tabled until Sunday board
105 meeting.

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107 **XII. Annual Budget**

108 President Jackson appointed a budget committee to prepare a budget and present it to the general
109 membership.

110 Andy appointed a budget committee including Eva Webb, John O'Connor, Mike Barr, and James
111 Williams. John Chamberlain will chair the committee.

112 Discussion incurred regarding when it is appropriate to prepare the Annual Budget.

113 John O'Connor suggested that it is appropriate to present the budget at the Annual Meeting.

114 Motion to pay a variety of bills by John O'Connor, second by John Chamberlain passed 9-0.

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116 (Additions/corrections from September 30th, 2006 minutes)

- 117 1. \$50.00 - Connor Hopkins- First Place Poster K-1st
- 118 2. \$35.00 - Ellen Reynolds- Second Place K-1st
- 119 3. \$25.00 - Kelsey Ray – Third place Poster K-1st.
- 120 4. \$50.00 - Dakota Engel – First Place 2nd-3rd
- 121 5. \$35.00 - Dakota Lorentz- Second place poster 2nd-3rd
- 122 6. \$25.00 Maleah Davis- Third Place poster 2nd-3rd.
- 123 7. \$50.00 Devin Newsome-Hall – First place 4th-5th
- 124 8. \$35.00 - Clayton Kerr – Second Place 4th-5th
- 125 9. \$25.00 - Davis Brown – Third Place 4th-5th.
- 126 10. \$50.00 - Rebecca Roberts – First Place 7th-9th
- 127 11. \$35.00 - Jessica Gleman – Second Place 7th-9th
- 128 12. \$50.00 - Mitchel Follos - First Place 10th-12th
- 129 13. \$35.00 - Christian Trisch – Second Place 10th-12th
- 130 14. \$1,000 -Jim Davis- 2005 Audit
- 131 15. \$50.55 – SSWCD -Printing Reimbursement
- 132 16. \$151.11 – SSWCD – Reimbursement for Speech Contest Awards
- 133 17. \$146.40 – SSWCD – Newsletter Printing
- 134 18. \$172.77 – SSWCD – Newsletter Postage
- 135 19. \$4.30 – Barb Gill – Reimb. For commissioner's lunch
- 136 20. \$660.00 – Volusia Soil and Water Conservation District – Website Services
- 137 21. \$60.00 – VSWCD – June and July website maintenance

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140 **XIII. Adjournment**

141 Motion to adjourn by Ziebarth, second by O'Connor. Passed 7-0 at 6:30 pm.