

## PSRFE Oversight Committee Minutes, May 28, 2019

**Present:** Mark Baltzell (MB), David Stormer (DS), Daniel Witczak (DW), Steve Stout (SS), Mark Riedesel (MR), Wayne Harmond (WH), David Puki (DP), Norm Reinhardt (NR), Art Tachell (AT), Dave Knutzen (DK), Troy McKelvey (TM), Mike Gilchrist (MG), Don Freeman (DF), Leah Snyder

**Absent:** Gregg Williams

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### Introduction

Review Agenda – DK – Propose new chair & vote, postponed until next meeting

Approve previous meeting’s minutes – Motion to approve; Seconded; No opposition.

Administrative Assistant 3 Hire – Leah Snyder – been with Program a year as CSS2, background in outdoors

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### Program Update

- NOF debrief and 2019-20 season update –
  - Overall unhappy with Rec input this year:
    - TM – What is the Mid Hood Canal stock definition? The failing stock is the reason why the season is cut every year. What is changing that will make a difference? DW – Mid Hood Canal Stock are just George Adams strays if anything.
    - MB – There were no “official” models shared because Chinook discussion was held up by Chum.
    - AT – Other parts of state of WA didn’t help either- ocean fishery is 7 days a week. Puget Sound gave up fish so that the ocean fishery could have their days.
    - Is Tribal lobbying playing a factor? MB – Not likely for us. Our biggest problem is we have two mandates under conflict; conserve & protect V. provide opportunity.
    - DW – Should we be sending PSRFE OC members to NOF? DK - Not until Dept. makes a change and opens up the meetings to take more input. ??-PSRFE OC being there this year would not have made a difference, the numbers would still not have been seen.
  - 2017-19 BN budget-
    - SS - Jim Jenkins said his facilities will be at zero. Marblemount was pretty much spent to zero.
    - ?? – Yellow means what? Did it mean funding was cut? ( DS - double check with J. Cady)
    - DS – Going to look over details with Eric of a few outstanding budget items.
    - MB – Had to move funds to cover marking and tagging over allotments from goal development.

- MB & DS – Want to have a review with interested PSRFE OC members to sit with hatchery division staff (Jill Cady) and hatchery evaluation team and go through what we are mandated to do and what we choose to do and find the gaps in the budget for the new biennium.
- DS – Revenue: This fiscal year we are down in both saltwater and combination which are directed funds for PSRFEF; allotment may be down next biennium compared to current one.
- Potential Projects for Funding:
  - South Sound net pen project-
    - AT & WH – Reared 38,000 fish and lost 1,000, leaving around 37,000 fish that are set to release in two weeks. Puyallup Tribe supplied all fish and have offered to supply 200,000 fish for future years. All fish are clipped to provide recreational angling opportunity. In 2020, will be seeking funding for additional pens.
    - ?? – Doesn't believe that PSRFEF should be funding this project; it appears to be diverting funds from recreational community to the Tacoma School District for educational purposes.
    - DW – proposes to vote to fund South Sound Net Pens' \$7,000 for 1 year.  
?? – seconds the proposal
      - DK calls vote on spending \$7,000 on South Sound net pens:  
4– Yes, 2- Abstain
  - Wallace River Chinook tagging-
    - SS – SRKW is paying for the fish. Tribes want any fish put in the water tagged & SS wants 5 years of tag data.
    - ?? – proposes to vote on spending up to \$20,000 annually for next 2 years on adipose clipping and tagging Wallace River Chinook. ?? – seconds the proposal
    - DK calls vote on spending up to \$20,000 annually for marking Wallace River Chinook: 5- Yes, 1 – Abstain.
- Outreach:
  - DS- Plans on having a few fishing events that could potentially cost \$500 in gear.
    - DK – Moves to spend \$500 on outreach events. ?? – seconds the motion.
    - DK calls vote to give DS \$500 for outreach: 0 – Opposed

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## Wrap-Up

- Q&A
- Date/Location for Next Meeting – first one by conference call as soon as possible, and for the second one, Leah will send out a Doodle Poll for a meeting, hopefully sometime between mid-to-late September.