

# American Fisheries Society

## Estuaries Section

### Executive Committee Meeting – Monday June 23 at 1PM Eastern DST

Call-in # - [866-700-0938](tel:866-700-0938)

Participation code - 677294

#### Officers

**President: Abigail Franklin Archer**

**President-Elect: Karin Limburg (unable to call-in, on plane, emailed comments prior to meeting)**

**Secretary: Lynn Waterhouse**

**Treasurer: Anthony Overton**

**Past President and Newsletter Editor – Lee Benaka**

### AGENDA

- 1. Student Travel Award-** Geoffrey Smith- Travel award winner
  - a. Have funds for one award
  - b. Haven't heard from SAML about funding another award (update 6/30/14 – SAML is no longer funding awards)
  - c. When emailing Geoffrey to tell him about award ask for write up for newsletter (or follow up with this request)
  - d. Rubric this year was good
  - e. Future calls for applicants: Ask for CV and more emphasis on career goals
  - f. Consider talking to Potomac section about them funding an award
    - i. Lee will contact them about it (he is the Treasurer for Potomac section)
- 2. Nancy Foster Award**
  - a. Nominations are on the NOAA habitat conservation website
  - b. Nominations open until July 14<sup>th</sup>
  - c. Award is given in November in DC at Restore America's Estuaries/The Coastal Society meeting
  - d. Lee noted lots of flyers up around NOAA offices
  - e. Email members of AFS section to get more nominations
- 3. Business Meeting in Quebec**
  - a. Report on Catering- will have self-serve drinks (charge only for what is drunk), veggies for food
    - a. Cost \$695.47- will get accurate bill after the event
    - b. Anthony has already received a check for the half that the marine section is paying for
  - b. Agenda- Marine Section will go first**
    - a. Governing Board
    - b. Summary of accomplishments
    - c. Treasurer report (Anthony)
    - d. Konstantine will give intro to LinkedIn site
    - e. Mick Walsh's work on History project- Mick can't do since won't be in attendance but will make ppt. and give to someone else to present
    - f. Discussion of short course at next meeting and symposia/themes

- g. Nancy Foster update
- h. Call for officer nominations for next year
- i. Discuss upcoming elections

#### **4. July Newsletter**

- a. Ryan Schoeleser write up from winning travel award in 2013
- b. Abigail will write a President's Message
- c. Roger Rulifson lab – will send on Saturday
- d. Nancy Foster Award announcement for nominations
- e. Agenda and announcement for business meeting
- f. Estuaries Section sponsored symposia
- g. Another call for webmaster
- h. Advertise otolith symposium
- i. Reminder of upcoming elections in 2015

#### **5. Conference Sponsorship Request – Otolith Symposium**

- a. Unanimously agreed to fund at 200 Euro level

#### **6. Elections**

- a. Currently on 2-year term
- b. For 2015 meeting in Oregon people will be done with their 2 year term
- c. Advertise elections in newsletter
- d. Advertise/discuss elections at Business meeting in Quebec

#### **7. Website**

- a. Anthony has been working with Sarah Gilbert Fox
- b. AFS website being redone
  - i. Are all now wordpress based
  - ii. Need to pick a theme for Estuaries section website
- c. Anthony will give exec. Board admin privileges

#### **8. Abigail will be writing up progress report for AFS governing board**