

American Fisheries Society

Estuaries Section

Executive Committee Meeting – April 29 at 1PM Eastern DST

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Officers

President: Abigail Franklin Archer

President-Elect: Karin Limburg

Secretary: Lynn Waterhouse

Treasurer: Konstantine Rountos

Past President and Newsletter Editor – Lee Benaka

(minutes recorded by Karin Limburg)

AGENDA

1. Election Results – Lynn won as president-elect; Jeff won as secretary; and Konstantine won as treasurer. Congrats everyone!
2. Symposia for 2015 Portland Meeting
 - a. Resolving the Multiple Impacts of Anthropogenic Eutrophication on Coastal Fish and Fisheries – There are 18 oral presentations, several posters and a discussion afterwards. Keynote is Ed Chesney... "Northern Gulf of Mexico (nGOM) Ecosystem: Is It Really the "Dead Zone" or the "Fertile Fisheries Crescent"?"
 - I. Still considering a special issue of a journal, or write a summary paper from the session.
 - b. Frontiers in Otolith Chemistry – This symposium has 36 presentations (32 oral, 4 poster). Ben Walther asked for 1.5 days' worth of sessions and I believe this was granted. It is a vibrant schedule.
3. Monsters of Stock Assessment – Sunday August 16 – Room requested to hold 200 people; Broadway I-IV (large room), noon until 4 PM. Suggested contributions – better than charging a lot of \$; don't want to make it exclusionary. Could also have a door prize or two. Article in *Fisheries*...LinkedIn, etc. AIFRB will contribute \$100 for A/V; we will offer them some space at the table for advertising etc. Other potential donors: Potomac Chapter, Hudson River Foundation, FWS, NOAA...Estuaries Section as last resort. Lee will make a flyer once he gets some topics. He will also put on a full-court press to generate publicity.
4. Business Meeting – Sunday August 18, 4-6 PM – Marine Fisheries Section's turn to organize it...options are [much better](#) than Quebec City. Venue: Portland Hilton, Skyline II room.

5. Student Travel Award – We will provide comments to Abigail. Applications due by June 5, decision by June 19.
6. Donation to Equal Opportunities Section for Student Travel Award – Abigail will track down where to send the \$100 donation to, and Konstantine will get on it.

Other business discussed:

- Lee asked Konstantine if any more checks had come from AFS.
- Konstantine notes that there are 106 LinkedIn members – over half the membership!
- Schedule another meeting for the week of 15 June. Abigail will send out a doodle poll.