

## **Minutes from the 2010 Annual Meeting of the Membership chaired by Wendy Velman**

**Heyburn State Park, Idaho**

**Saturday, June 12, 2010**

Minutes submitted by Nancy Miller, Secretary.

The meeting was called to order by Wendy Velman after the membership dinner and the presentation by ethnobotanist and University of Idaho graduate student Todd Ott.

There was no treasurer's report.

### **Committee reports**

**Annual Meeting Committee:** 2010 Annual Meeting at Heyburn State Park has been a success with participants from all over the State. The White Pine committee was thanked for their efforts in hosting the meeting. Valdon Hancock of Loasa chapter discussed the 2011 Annual Meeting which will be held at City of Rocks National Reserve / Castle Rock State Park, south of Burley, Idaho, the 4<sup>th</sup> weekend of June, the weekend after Father's Day. More information will be posted in Sage Notes and on the state website.

**ERIG Committee:** Janet Bala will be the new coordinator of the ERIG committee. (The Treasurer is the Committee Chair according to the by-laws.) Most of the grants this year were community based. More information will be in fall Sage Notes.

- Native Plant Riparian Buffer Demonstration Site interpretive signs, plant markers and brochures; Dover, Idaho; Gail Bolin; \$270
- Introduction to Palouse Prairie Natives for Elementary Students; Palouse Prairie School, Moscow Idaho; \$200
- Landscaping with Natives, An illustrated guide; Kinnikinnick Native Plant Society; Sandpoint Idaho; \$230
- Peatland Ecosystem Study; Dr. Fred Rabe; Moscow, Idaho; \$300

**Native Flora Workshop:** Nearly 100 people attended and it was very successful. Many university, herbaria and agency people were in attendance from Idaho and nearby states. ISU provided some facilities at no charge. The workshop cleared \$1900 of which \$1000 will go into the ERIG fund and \$500 will go to Sah-Wah-Be chapter for their work in hosting the workshop. This workshop may be held in alternate years (even) now that the Rare Plant Conference is held in alternate years (odd). The Rare Plant Conference is generally held during the week of Valentine's Day and is hosted by Pahove chapter. Pam Brunsfeld of the UI Stillinger Herbarium has been approached regarding hosting the Native Flora Workshop or something similar in 2012. She reported that after finals week is a better time for UI to host than is spring break.

**Sage Notes Committee:** The Sage Notes editor Dylan Levy-Boyd has resigned and left Idaho. He is willing to help in the transition. A new Sage Notes editor is being sought.

**Life Membership Achievement Award:** This award was presented to Dr. Karl Holte of Idaho State University at the Native Flora Workshop. More details will be in Sage Notes.

**Membership Committee:** The INPS has a new chapter in Idaho Falls. It is the Upper Snake chapter and the new president is Susan Braastad who is in attendance at the annual meeting. Thanks to Wendy Velman for her work in helping to establish the chapter from the first introductory meeting to the full schedule of field trips for this summer.

**Nominating Committee:** Wendy announced that she is stepping down as president of INPS as of the first of November as she and her husband are expecting a third child. As the Vice President position is currently vacant, the committee will need to find candidates for both positions. At least one person from each chapter must be on the Nominating Committee according to the Bylaws.

The meeting was adjourned.