

# Kentucky - Tennessee



## Society of American Foresters

# NEWSLETTER

*Professionals advancing the science, technology, practice and teaching of forestry to benefit society and the environment.*

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#### **FROM THE KTSAF CHAIR**

**Surprise!** Many of you are receiving this newsletter for the first time. Either you've just become a KT SAF member or you have been tagged as an outstanding candidate for membership into our Society. No matter which avenue this newsletter took getting to you, your help and participation is needed. As forests and forest management are increasingly challenged to meet accelerating demands, the KT SAF needs you. And each of us needs the opportunities for continuing education that SAF offers. Please join us. A membership application is enclosed. Fill it out, get the signature of a SAF member as a sponsor and send it to the SAF national office in Bethesda, Maryland.

#### **Kudos, Applause & Hearty Thanks¼**

The crowd who came to Cleveland on June 20 to comment on the USFS Roadless issue heard from several of our KT SAF members. Matt Bennett, Bob Pleotz, John Gregory, and Adrienne Hall each articulated a compelling and effective message. I was proud of how these professionals managed to transmit, in less than three minutes each, their understanding of forest management and the need to let the Forest Service manage the Cherokee without unnecessary regulations. But it was Brent Galloway who deserves the heartiest thanks for personalizing the commitment that foresters share in managing forests responsibly. It was obvious that he ditched his prepared speech and spoke from deep within. I could never do his powerful words justice by remembering them now¼but in essence he said something like –I'm a forester who spent years, much money and effort studying my chosen profession. I would surely not work so hard for so little money to harm the forest or compromise our environment.

You had to have been there! His commitment was communicated. When the comments were all presented, I heard Brent chatting with a Sierra Club member in a friendly manner. I'm betting he softened and improved her image of foresters.

"The world is run by those who show up", said Mark Twain. The forests of Kentucky and Tennessee are well served by our members. Thanks for showing up!

Dave Walters

#### **New Committee Looking For Workers**

We are looking for a few good volunteers to evaluate forest certification programs. The East Tennessee chapter has requested a committee be assigned the responsibility of proposing a policy position on the Forest Stewardship Council's Certification and Labeling program and the American Forest and Paper Association's Sustainable Forestry Initiative program. The East Tennessee chapter is submitting the name of a volunteer to manage the process. Plans are to have the preliminary evaluation completed by the end of November for the Policy Committee to review before the winter KT SAF meeting. The chapter also recommended having experts on forest economics, silviculture, forest policy, on-the-

ground forest management, and forest products on the committee.

If you're interested let Dave Walters or Rick Wilcox know. For more info check out SAF's recently published report titled "1999 Report on Forest Management Certification" at <http://www.safnet.org/>

[policy/fmcp1999.html](http://www.safnet.org/policy/fmcp1999.html) .

### **KTSAF gets Forester's Fund money for FFA National Convention**

Thanks to Rick Wilcox and Michelle Harvey for hustling us \$710 to staff a career booth at the FFA National Convention in Louisville, KY on October 25-27. Volunteers are need. Call Rick Wilcox (859-498-7314) or Larry Doyle (502-353-8250).

### **Awards, Nominations, Awards, Nominations**

Fred Ebel, SAF President, is a strong advocate for 'Field Foresters.' To show his support for the core of our profession, he has empowered each Council member to accept nominations and award special recognition to a 'Field Forester' who is an outstanding SAF member. For specifics on the nomination requirements, log onto the SAF website. Submit nominations by September 1 to Kerry Schell, 5413 Lonas Dr., Knoxville, TN 37909.

Nominations for KT SAF awards are due this fall! Submit nominations for outstanding foresters younger than 35, outstanding forester 35 years or wiser, outstanding technician and a non-forester from Tennessee this year who deserves the Herman T. Baggenstoss Forestry Recognition Award. The Baggenstoss award is for outstanding contributions to forestry. Also submit names of member who retired this year to John Stojan, 740 Keithshire Drive, London, KY 40741. He needs these nominations before Christmas.

### **FIA Data Released**

The Forest Inventory Analysis summary for Tennessee will be reported publicly on Friday, September 22 in Nashville. Wayne Clatterbuck is coordinating the effort.

### **KTSAF HOME PAGE**

For the latest local, regional and national information on forestry, check out our website at: <http://www.ktsaf.org> .

### **NEW: *thE-forester***

The premiere issue of *thE-forester* was sent out July 27, 2000. It is an electronic newsletter published by the Society of American Foresters ([www.safnet.org](http://www.safnet.org)). It delivers the latest SAF and forestry news directly to all members for whom SAF has an email address. If you have not received two or three issues of *thE-forester* and would like it, send your email address to: [SAFWEB.SAFNET.ORG](mailto:SAFWEB.SAFNET.ORG).

### **FROM YOUR COUNCIL REP. – KERRY SCHELL**

This could be my last word to you as your SAF Council Representative from District IX. If there were some unusual developments or items of discussion at the council meetings in November and December I would offer you another item for your newsletter.

We have two fine candidates nominated for the District IX Council seat. PLEASE VOTE. Give serious attention to the statements of the candidates. Telephone or E-mail them if you have questions about their positions or philosophies which could influence SAF decisions. The members who are elected to the SAF Council this year could influence how your Society will define the "broad field of forestry." This has been a challenge to the Council for two years, and the challenge has not yet been met.

In my last newsletter column to you I reported that I could not support a Council policy to "aggressively attract diverse natural resource professionals to SAF through its programs and policies." I requested that you comment on this. I received comments; some of them were as I expected. My position on diversity with respect to gender and race was questioned. I am 100 percent in support of SAF's programs and policies to attract and recruit more women and minorities, with respect to race and ethnic groups, and who are or will become qualified foresters; this kind of diversity we need.

Unfortunately, I think, the term diversity has been extended to mean much more than many of our members realize. The term has become politically appropriate. Some would have it included in any mission statement. I submit there is a communication problem. Some of us are assuming diversity means an appropriate or representative number of one gender or the other, of minorities, of age classes, or perhaps geographic representation. There are others, who with deliberation, see diversity including (1) philosophy about forest resource stewardship; (2) areas of educational preparation; (3) nationality; and (4) professional specialties or expertise. When the term diversity is used, especially in basic mission statements or policies, it should be quantified. Diversity could be a healthy attribute to an organization. However, carried to some given degree it could become a significant detriment.

Hopefully, by this time you have made your plans and reservations to attend our Centennial Celebration in November. It will be a great cost for

many of us, but it will be a great part of your Society's history. Do contribute to our Centennial Fund. If you need more information or explanation about our goals, or have any other comments contact us – your Council Rep., your President, or CEO.

Your Council had a busy, productive, and challenging meeting in June. I will share some of that with you. But first an important reminder: Your State Society chair receives the minutes of all Council meetings. You have access to them. Your State Society may reproduce them, put them on a website, or communicate the minutes to you in any way. There is a time lag; you will not get the minutes until they are reviewed and approved by the Council – six weeks or more.

At the June meeting the Council: • Offered mixed evaluations of Centennial Fund raising, but each one of us declared commitment to increased efforts to the program.

- Approved the establishment of a line of credit of \$500,000 to meet a cash flow problem which is the result of having to meet some early Centennial Celebration expenses.
- Accepted the Forest Education Accreditation Report. Please visit the SAF website to review and examine this report.
- Had a serious discussion of Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO's) and the importance of research in this area to the future of forestry.
- Approved the various awards which are made annually to outstanding members of SAF who excel in selected endeavors.
- Discussed a Field Forester Award. (Your chairman has received a communication about this award for this year!)
- Voted to send to the membership a referendum to adopt a new Code of Ethics - 8 yes, 4 no.
- Approved the draft of a charter for a Licensing and Regulation Task Force.
- Discussed the qualifications and procedures for a member to become a Professional Member of SAF. (Each member should review the requirements for Professional Member and Conditional Professional Member as stated in the Application for Membership).
- In closing, make your nominations for the Field Forester Award. Each State Society may nominate on candidate. Each District will select an awardee for the District.
- Thanks for letting me serve as your representative for 1998-2000. Please contact me if you have questions, comments, or other. Tel. 865-584-3343, email: kfsforecon@aol.com.

## **NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Monthly Breakfast - The Eastern Kentucky Chapter, Society of American Foresters meet for a monthly breakfast in the Morehead Shoney's restaurant at 7:00 AM on the first Wednesday of each month. All members and guests are welcome. Plan to share news, SAF information & ideas and sign up new members. The restaurant location is near Pine Crest Mall and the junction of I-64 and KY Hwy 32.

The TFA annual meeting will be in Nashville September 20 – 22

Forester's Fund Applications are due in Bethesda on September 15

Building with Trees seminar from the National Arbor Day Foundation will be in Lexington, KY on September 12 at the Holiday Inn North.

The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council will be in Lexington, Kentucky for their fall meeting October 12-14. The winter meeting was held in February in Chattanooga. This is a 15 member advisory council to the US Secretary of Agriculture and is administered through the US Forest Service. They administer the urban and community forestry challenge grants and review and recommend community forestry policies to the Secretary of Agriculture. David Swenk, Lexington's city forester, and an SAF member for 10 years, was appointed to the Council last year and represents county governments across the country.

Lexington's Reforest the Bluegrass effort wins the highest environmental award in the state of Kentucky. Reforest the Bluegrass is a volunteer event administered by the urban forestry program and involves thousands of volunteers planting riparian forests. This year over 1000 volunteers planted 30000 trees. Last year over 1000 volunteers planted over 35000 trees. Reforest the Bluegrass won the 1999 Governors Environmental Excellence Award for Forestry as well as the Fayette Environmental Commission Annual Environmental Award.

Also, the EPA is designating Lexington as a national 5 star restoration site this May in a ceremony at Region HQ in Atlanta.

The four items above are from:

David W. Swenk, CF Urban Forester Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government 200 E. Main St. Lexington, KY 40507 (606)258-3286

## **Get A Member**

Membership in the KT SAF is headed south! Several of our members (41 out of 434) were purged from our roster. We must each invite one of our colleagues to join the Society today and someone else tomorrow. Call Dwayne Turner for recruiting help 606-666-2438 x 225.

## **Winter Meeting announced!**

The KT SAF winter meeting will be in Nashville on January 24-26 at the Holiday Inn Select Opryland-Airport. Theme will surround wildland/urban interface issues and will offer members the opportunity to investigate Pro Bass Shop, Gibson Guitar

Museum and the Rainforest Café at the new Oprymills. Meeting managers are Bruce Kauffman, Kay Fermann and Bob Leonard.

## **POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT FOR THE SUMMER 2000 KTSAF MEETING**

The first half of 2000 has been busy with the following activities:

1. A proposal called "Reorganization 2000" was expected to be presented to the Tennessee State Legislature this year. The proposal would abolish the local fire control function of the Tennessee Forestry Division. Local fire control would be turned over to volunteer fire departments in rural areas. With the help of Gary Schneider and several reviewers, a letter was drafted to Commissioner Dan Wheeler expressing KTSAF's concern with the proposal. As it turned out the proposal was withdrawn before the letter was finalized. The letter was sent indicating our concerns should the proposal surface again.
2. In early April the National office alerted us to the EPA's new regulations on Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL). The new regulations ignore the silvicultural activities, point source pollution exemption in the clean water act. It was recommended that we write our Senators and ask them to support a Senate bill that would address the Society's concerns. Letters were sent to Senator Mitch McConnell, Senator James Bunning from Kentucky and Senator William Frist, Senator Fred Thompson of Tennessee. I have received a reply from the two senators from Kentucky. They are co-sponsors of the proposed bill and are tracking it closely.
3. The National office has commented on the Forest Service proposed planning regulations and the Roads policy. Both policy letters are on the national web site and should be viewed by all foresters. The National's response to the scoping request for comments on the "Roadless Area Conservation" regulations was well written and also on the SAF web site. Look under policy and media and policy statements under this heading. I hope to see National's response to the proposed regulations and EIS so that KTSAF can lend its support.

Because I have not received a response from the Tennessee Senators on the TMDL issue, I recommend that the Policy Chairman authorize the past Policy Chairman to sign policy letters as the KTSAF Policy Chairman to representatives from their state. Wayne and I agreed to this at the beginning of the year. We would have done it in this case but Wayne was out and the letter needed to be sent immediately. We may need to send a follow-up letter with Wayne's signature.

Richard A. Wilcox, Policy Chairman, KTSAF

Ed. note: Gary Schneider's letter was in the May KTSAF Newsletter which is on the KTSAF website; the letter to Ky and Tn senators is in this newsletter.

## **NEEDS FOR THE ARCHIVES**

I am attempting to bring our records up to standard at the Archives at Eastern Kentucky University.

I am able to put together an annual summary of information by gleaning information from several documents but there are some standard documents that need to be in the records. The most important is the minutes of our Executive Committee meetings and Business meetings.

We need the following items:

- Minutes from the Winter Executive Committee meetings for 1976 thru 1983.
- Minutes from the Winter Business meetings from 1952 thru 1961, 1965, 1968 thru 1973, 1975, 1981 thru 1983, and 1989.
- Minutes from the Summer Executive Committee meetings for 1981 thru 1983, 1988, 1997.
- Minutes from the Summer Business meetings for 1952 thru 1962, 1965, 1966, 1968 thru 1973, 1982, 1983, 1988, 1998.
- Financial records for 1954-1957, 1960-1962, and 1982
- Attendance at the following meetings: summer 1957, summer 1983, summer and winter 1984, summer 1987, winter 1996, summer 1997, and winter 1998.

- Membership records for 1957, 1984, 1996, and 1997.

There are very few documents from Chapter functions. The archives provide a place to protect your documents for future reference. If you have old minutes of Chapter meetings, Program agendas, financial records, documents or news items that describe special chapter events and Chapter newsletters please send them to me.

We have a complete set of KT Newsletters, thanks to Bob Schnell.

If you have any of these documents please send them to Richard Wilcox, 1080 Iroquois Dr. Mt. Sterling, KY 40353. I can assist in the cost of copying or mailing if needed. If you have questions please call me at home at (859) 498-7314. If I am not there leave a message. Thanks in advance for your help.

Richard Wilcox, Archivist, KTSAF

Editor's note: see the KTSAF Home Page for the Report of the Archivist.

### **A MEMBER'S THOUGHTS ON SAF MEMBERSHIP**

Foresters are trained to research and prescribe treatments that improve forest health and the production of a wide variety of forest products. Anyone who is not trained to do these things and does not do these things is not a professional forester and should not belong to SAF.

I can take your temperature, give you first aid and recommend that you see a doctor but I cannot belong to the AMA.

I can advise you not to disobey the law and recommend a good attorney when you have a legal problem but I cannot belong to the ABA.

The standards for membership in SAF should not be diluted for the sake of increased membership or for any other reason. SAF dues may seem high but they are not high when compared to dues for other professional organizations. The exclusivity of standards for membership in a professional organization is a function of how highly society values that

profession. The value of forest resources in this country has historically been low. Consequently, little value has been placed on forestry professionalism by the public. This is changing. With decreasing availability of forests, the public will increasingly recognize the value of forestry professionals and will increasingly support the exclusivity of the profession just as they support doctors and lawyers.

The SAF governing bodies are fixing to give away the store just when it's about to become profitable.

Instead of relaxing membership requirements, SAF should tighten membership requirements (require member certification) and raise dues.

Grant Curry, Chaives, KY

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Editor's note: As part of Richard Wilcox's work on the archives, he has developed the following lists of approved motions. This list will be updated as he gets a more complete set of minutes.

### **Motions related to how business is conducted by KTSAF**

**1980 (Dec.)** (1) Support of chapters will include \$25 for student chapters and \$.50 per member or \$25 whichever is larger for other chapters. Chapters must request this assistance from the Secretary-Treasurer.

**1984 (Jan)** (3) Chairman Elect of K-T will not serve as membership chairman.

**1985 (June)** (2) Any addition monies, including corporate funds, in the scholarship fund will be expended to support student attendance at meetings. (8) Establish a Student Development Fund. (9) Net Profits from the summer and Winter meeting will be used as seed money for the Student Development Fund.

**1986 (January)** (1) Charters for the Student Development Fund, Policy Committee and Membership Committee are approved.

**1986 (June)** (1) Approved borrowing from the Scholarship Fund on an as needed basis and pay back when possible.

**1987 (June)** Hold Silent Auction in January

**1988 (January)** Established a Program schedule for the Section that moves the meetings to different chapters equitably with the option to have modifications when needed.

**1988 (June)** (1) 25% of meeting earnings will be dedicated to the student development fund.

**1989 (January)** (2) Program committee Charter was Accepted. (3) Student Development Fund Money to stay within the K-T SAF Treasury.

**1989 (June)** (3) Temporarily approved Education Committee Charter pending coordinating efforts by an ad-hoc committee. Approved New Selection criteria for scholarship recipients that were in new charter.

**1991 (January)** (2) K-T Dues will increase to \$7 in 1992.

**1991 (June)** (1) The Univ. of the South Student Chapter will be included K-T SAF Scholarship award. (2) Pay Scholarship recipients lodging at winter 1992 meeting as a meeting expense.

**1993 (January)** (5) Forestry Recognition Award renamed the Herman Baggenstoss Award.

**1994 (January)** (1) The Student Development fund was increased from \$300 to \$600 plus 25% of the net proceeds of the meeting receipts. (Ear marked program funds such as the silent auction for the Foresters Fund will be excluded). (4) Agreed to recognize each outgoing Secretary/Treasurer.

**1995 (January)** (1) Funds obtained from fund raising activities will be split 50% to Foresters Fund and 50% to local projects. Local projects will be approved by executive committee just like Forest Fund applications.

**1997 (January)** (3) Request that national office send all membership materials to Sec. - Treas., in addition to the Membership Chairman.

**1997 (July)** (1) Future Chapter dues held by K-T SAF and distributed at winter meeting.

**1999 (January)** (1) Natural areas committee is abolished. (2) Established Membership Information Committee, Co-Chaired by News Letter Editor and Web Site Manager. (5) Only one student for each eligible school will be awarded a Student Scholarship. (6) New bylaws and committee charters passed by K-T referendum in fall of 1998 and instituted at this meeting.

### **Motions related to KTSAF Scholarship Fund**

**1978 (June)** (1) That henceforth a \$200 scholarship award be granted to a student from UT and one from UK each year.

**1985** Was the last meeting that the excess receipts of the meeting were placed in the scholarship fund?

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**1986 (January)** (1) Charters for the Student Development Fund, Policy Committee and Membership Committee are approved.

**1988 (January)** Established an ad hoc committee to study means of raising money for Student Development Fund. Committee will report at summer meeting.

**1988 (June)** (1) 25% of meeting earnings will be dedicated to the student development fund. Ad Hoc Development Fund Committee presented fund raising system for Student Development Fund and a Charter. No motion was made and no action taken on committee report.

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Editor's note: The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting and the Business meeting held at the KTSAF summer 2000 meeting are presented below. The minutes from KTSAF winter 2000 meetings are on the KTSAF web site.

### **Kentucky-Tennessee Society of American Foresters Summer 2000 Society Meeting, June 14-16, 2000**

#### **Minutes from the Summer 2000 Executive Meeting - DRAFT**

David Walters, KTSAF Chair, called the meeting to order in the Community Services Building, Cleveland State Community College. He announced that Red Anderson, meeting organizer and KTSAF Secretary was on fire detail in New Mexico and that Grant Curry, KTSAF Treasurer, was also unable to attend. John Rennie volunteered to serve as secretary.

Each person present proceeded to introduce himself or herself and indicate their most pressing issue outside SAF.

Those present included: Michelle Harvey, SAF Science and Education Director; David Mercker; Wayne Clatterbuck; Ed Ellenburg; Dwayne Turner, Membership Chair; Wilbur Hitchcock; Richard Evans, Historian; John Rennie, Newsletter Editor; Rick Wilcox, Policy Chair; David Walters, Chair; Bob Leonard, SE-Tn Chapter Chair; Joe Burckle, SE-Tn Chapter Secretary/Treasurer.

Walters indicated that the goal of the meeting was to review a number of items and consider a lot of information.

The minutes from the Winter Executive meeting were distributed. Evans moved to accept the minutes and Wilcox seconded. Motion approved.

The mid-year budget status report was distributed. Wilcox moved to accept he report. Evans seconded. Motion approved.

Wilcox moved to accept the Membership Information Committee charter with deletion of the committee member names. Leonard seconded. Inclusion of one member from Kentucky was suggested to maintain balance in the newsletter and website. Motion approved.

Wilcox moved that the draft minutes of meetings be provided to the webmaster for posting on the website within one month of the meeting. Burckle seconded. Discussion followed. Motion approved.

Action on the charter for the Student Development Committee was deferred to allow coordination with the Education Committee, the forestry school representatives and the CFE representatives. Jeff Stringer was identified as the person to lead the discussion at the winter meeting.

Wilcox mentioned that each committee charter needs to be reviewed each year at the winter meeting.

On the Centennial Celebration, Evans reported that interest has been low. Billboards were mentioned at the winter meeting, but the cost is high: \$1400/board/month. Interest was expressed in doing verbal history with senior members from Kentucky and Tennessee; Evans is working on this. Evans pointed out that KTSAF has a good website that we should advertise to the public; he suggested using newspapers. Wilcox pointed out that getting history on tape is part of archiving process and it could be included within that project. Michelle Harvey indicated that the Forest History Society could help and also that these tapes could be of interest to newspapers. Need to develop questions related to various forestry programs and activities to use with appropriate members. Work with newspapers to get ideas for areas of interest to the public. Evans will prepare formal proposal on advertising website through newspapers in Kentucky and Tennessee.

On the National Centennial Campaign, Michelle Harvey indicated that about \$700,000 has been raised toward the two million dollar goal at about half way in the campaign. She discussed the impacts on various projects and goals. Also, she discussed various efforts by state societies to raise money for the Campaign. Walters pointed out, as a state convener of HSD, that apathy is more wide spread than just in Kentucky and Tennessee. He also indicated that each state society is being asked for at least \$1000 for the Centennial Campaign.

Wilcox moved that any of the \$1000 currently allocated in the KTSAF budget for sending the KTSAF Chair and Chair-elect to the National Convention that is not used, go to the Centennial Campaign. Clatterbuck seconded. Discussion followed. Motion approved.

Evans requested suggestions to items to include in the SAF time capsule. Suggestions included: (1) Report of the Tennessee Governor's Task Force on Forestry; (2) KTSAF response to the appeal of the Cherokee National Forest Management Plan; (3) East Kentucky Chapter policy statement on the Kentucky Forestry Practices Act.

Wilcox raised the question of where the money for the SAF booth at the National FFA Convention will come from if the Foresters Fund request is not approved. Michelle Harvey recommended approaching the National Office to have funding of this activity be a regular budget item.

Wilcox moved that \$400 be allocated from the KTSAF budget to fund the FFA booth if the Forestry Fund grant is not approved. Leonard seconded. Motion approved.

Wilcox discussed the nature of the FFA Convention and the benefits of SAF participating in it. Staffing is being recruited from Indiana in addition to Kentucky and Tennessee. Larry Doyle is also recruiting assistance for the FFA forestry contest held in connection with the Convention.

Walters raised a request from Larry Doyle for financial support for the FFA forestry contest. The benefits include having the KTSAF name on all mailings, banners, etc. Evans moved to appropriate \$150 from the KTSAF budget; Wilcox seconded. Motion approved.

Clatterbuck pointed out that KTSAF should be handling events like the National FFA Forestry Contest as a service activity. Wilcox indicated that he had a number of requests from advisors at the FFA convention for a teacher's package. Michelle Harvey indicated that a teacher's package could be developed by her office with Foresters Fund support.

Rennie raised that question of continued expansion of the newsletter. Suggestions included getting advertising for the website, and to wait to see how the new newsletter format serves our needs.

Wilcox reported on KTSAF archives at Eastern Kentucky University. He requested that old minutes (before 1988) be sent to him. He also submitted a committee report.

Walters pointed out that a copy of the KTSAF membership report from the National Office was posted along with numerous other items of information and that these would be on display Friday morning for members to review. Turner will also receive periodic membership reports. KTSAF has a goal of 50 new members. Wilcox pointed out that KTSAF has \$500 from the Membership Development Fund to recruit new members. One use will be that some E-Tn Chapter members are planning to take some former members and non-members to dinner to discuss why they are not members. Funds are available through the end of 2000; contact Wilcox for support.

Walters and Turner discussed getting names of potential new members to contact to encourage them to join SAF. Turner will develop and maintain a mailing list of potential members to send the newsletter.

Michelle Harvey discussed items of interest from the National Office. On USFS roadless area proposal, and other proposals needing public input, SAF is pushing for a longer time for public review. Council has received the Accreditation Task Force report indicating a move to more outcomes evaluation. Also, Council accepted the Ethics Committee report and will send the revised code of ethics to referendum in the fall.

She discussed trends away from membership and joining organizations; from SAF's standpoint, pushing for strengthening the Certified Foresters Program to define what a foresters is along with expanding the SAF membership.

Jeff Stringer is chair of the Nominating Committee. Nominations need to be out by October so work needs to start now on getting names. Chair-elect will be from Tennessee.

Leonard reported on winter meeting plans. Arrangements will be completed in the next week. Theme will be community planning issues.

Wilcox pointed out that work needs to start soon for identifying people for awards. Send nomination to John Strojan.

Wilcox distributed the Policy Committee report. Emphasized the USFS Roadless Area Conservation Draft Environmental Impact Statement Summary and Proposed Rule.

Clatterbuck announced dates for upcoming meeting: September 22, 2000 - FIA Presentation on Tennessee Forest Resources in Nashville; October 5, 2000 - Field Day, Cumberland Forestry Field Station, Wartburg; March 18-23, 2001 - 11th Biennial Southern Silviculture Research Conference, Knoxville.

Leonard complimented Gary Schneider on the letter he prepared for KTSAF concerning the reorganization of the Tennessee Division of Forestry.

Wilcox moved to adjourn. Leonard seconded. Motion approved.

### **Minutes from the Summer 2000 Business Meeting - DRAFT**

David Walters, KTSAF Chair, called the meeting to order in the Auditorium of the Community Services Building, Cleveland State Community College

Michelle Harvey, SAF Science and Education Director, discussed: (1) Credentialling - the Forestry accreditation task force submitted to Council recommends a stronger evaluation of outcomes and the Certified Foresters Program will soon include an examination. (2) Code of Ethics - the July issue of the *Journal of Forestry* will address ethics and there will be a membership vote on retaining the current code or adopting a new code in November. (3) Centennial Celebration - the activities related to SAF's 100-year anniversary, and the Centennial Campaign - the capital fund raising effort to expand underwriting of SAF programs.

Stephanie Brown, House of Section Delegates Chair, described the operations of HSD and its relation to Council. She also indicated that input from membership should be through the state society. Finally, she described the convener system for input to HSD.

Kerry Schell, SAF Council Member, discussed: (1) Ownership of SAF is in the hands of the membership. (2)

Membership drives SAF and work is underway to enroll new members and past members who have dropped their membership. (3) Attending the National Convention in Washington and also supporting the Centennial Campaign. (4) Council meeting minutes are available through the KTSAF Chair. (5) The Executive Summary for the report on TMDL from the National Policy Office. (6) Concerns to Council are most effective through the state society. (7) SAF gives each person an opportunity to be involved.

Bob Leonard indicated the winter 2001 meeting would be in the Nashville area on January 24 to 26.

Dave Walters, reporting on the Executive Committee meeting, indicated that suggestions and comments on the newsletter should be given to John Rennie. The charter for the Membership Information Committee was approved and the charter for the Student

Development Committee was tabled. The balance of the \$1000 budgeted for the Chair and Chair-elect to attend the National Convention was approved for the Centennial Campaign.

Richard Evans, KTSAF Historian, discussed trying to stimulate Centennial activities in the KTSAF: efforts to promote KTSAF website through newspaper ads and developing an oral history with KTSAF members. Also, he would like ideas for material for the SAF Centennial time capsule.

Joe Burckle reported that there were 53 registrants at this meeting including 5 students. In addition, there were 6 guests accompanying registrants, and 4 cancellations. Several people who had cancelled had called to request refunds. The meeting appeared to be financially profitable. He thanked Sam Brocatto, Clint Stromeier, and Dave Walters for their help.

Larry Doyle discussed the National FFA Convention to be in Louisville on October 25-27, 2000. 55,000 people from across the US will be attending. Also there will be a national forestry judging contest with 40 state teams on October 26. Larry needs volunteers to help with the judging contest and Rick Wilcox needs volunteers to staff the SAF booth at the convention.

Dave Walters (for Rick Wilcox, KTSAF Archivist) indicated that Rick needs minutes from meetings and other information on activities from 1988 and earlier to complete the annual histories he is compiling.

Dave Walters needs names of people in KY and TN who are eligible for SAF membership, but who are not members.

John Rennie, Newsletter Editor, asked for names and email addresses of members who would like a reminder by email to check the KTSAF website for the newsletter as an alternative to receiving a paper copy by mail. This will save KTSAF some postage.

Under new business, Bollinger moved and Ellenburg seconded designating 50% of the profits from the summer meeting for the Centennial Campaign. After discussion, the motion passed.

The minutes from the Winter Meeting were distributed and accepted.

Cunningham moved and Lewis seconded to adjourn. Motioned passed.

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**We need news items** - meeting announcements, awards received, views - related to forestry in Kentucky and Tennessee. Please send them by email to Mark Young (jmyoung@utk.edu) or by USPS to John Rennie (UT Forestry Dept., Knoxville, TN 37901-1071). Deadline for November issue is November 1, 2000.