

**Society for Range Management
Oklahoma Section
Board of Directors Meeting
August 2, 2002
Grazinglands Research Laboratory
Ft. Reno, OK**

Matt Mattox called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. A quorum was established.

The following members were present:

President- Matt Mattox

1st V.P./ President-Elect – Steve Glasgow

2nd V.P. – John Enfield (proxy for John Weir)

Director/Historian – Laurie Boerngen

Director – David McGough (proxy for Chuck Stanley)

Director – Brian Northup

Director – Jason Martin

Director – Jack Eckroat- not present

Director – Lee Holcomb- not present

Secretary/ Newsletter Editor – Chan Glidewell – not present

Treasurer – Lisa Appeddu

Matt Mattox called for **review/adoption of agenda items**. Copies were distributed.

The previous minutes were distributed to the board for their review. **The minutes were approved** (Glasgow motioned/ Boerngen seconded).

Treasurer's Report

- Lisa Appeddu distributed the latest Treasurer's Report (copy attached). Current income for the year is \$537.78 (\$214 – membership dues, \$23.78 – interest, \$300 donation for annual meeting from Dow Elanco) against expenditures of \$350 (\$250 contribution to Envirothon, \$100 – membership in Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association). The bank balance is \$5,561.47. **Treasurer's report was approved** (Martin/Glasgow).
- As stated above, Dow Elanco has donated \$300 to sponsor lunch on Friday at the Oklahoma Section Annual Meeting.
- Regarding OKSRM's ability to use a "tax-exempt form" for purchases, after examining the application forms, Lisa is not sure that we qualify for this. Forms were forwarded to Matt.
- Matt asked the Treasurer to remind John Weir (chairman of the audit committee) about the financial audit that needs to be done due to the new Treasurer.

Newsletter Report

- A couple of people (John Enfield & Wade Anderson) have expressed that they are not receiving the newsletter. As of August, Enfield is not a member, which would explain why he isn't getting the newsletter. Not sure about Wade Anderson. Newsletter editor will check into it.

- Full agenda and registration form for 2002 Annual Meeting will be in the September issue of the Rangeland Wire.

Membership Report

- There was discussion about the Oklahoma Section membership committee chairperson or section president sending out a letter to new and/or expired members to aid in member retention. Chan Glidewell has drafted a letter to go to expired members. SRM-Denver already sends out a postcard to expired members so it would be a duplication of efforts if we did the same. The Board felt it would be better to focus on sending a letter with other information (recent newsletters, Oklahoma Rangelands brochure, etc.) to new members, thanking them for their membership. No such letter has been drafted to date. It was also discussed and clarified that letters need not go out to all renewed members, although this had been done in the past.
- Membership Directory – The Oklahoma Section Membership Directory is being revised and will hopefully be available to the membership attending the annual meeting in Ardmore in October. Those members not at the annual meeting will have their directory mailed to them.

Information and Education Committee Report

- Jason Martin and Amy Ganguli are the committee at this time.
- 20,000 copies of the “Welcome to Oklahoma Rangelands” brochure have been printed with the following changes:
 - Contact information has been changed from SRM-Denver to Oklahoma Section newsletter editor.
 - Indiangrass and Indian blanket pictures on the cover are color now.
- A strategy for distributing the brochures will be presented at the next BOD meeting in October.

Old Business

Outstanding Rangeland Stewardship/ Excellence in Range Management nominations

- Historian has researched past winners and found that awards have not been given every year.
- Lee Holcomb is working with Troy Daniell to find award nominees.
- Discussed the Cannon Ranch (Blackwell) as potential state award nominee and Tallgrass Prairie Preserve as national candidate.
- September 30 is deadline for nominations for national award.

Web Site Updates:

- Will put annual meeting dates, registration form and agenda on web site.
- The Board expressed an interest in having pictures from Historian and from recent section activities put in a “Photo Gallery” on web site.
- Discussed putting Bob Gillen’s interview with Pat McIlvain (SRM charter member) on web site. Gillen is somewhat hesitant due to some of the content of the interview.

Annual Meeting Trade Show

- To date, no interest has been generated in the trade show from exhibitors. We have not aggressively solicited vendors. Agenda does not lend itself to having much time to devote to trade show.

Officer Nominees/Ballots

- Mistake on the ballot. Should say vote for 2 Directors instead of 1.
- Candidate for Director (Lori Ziehr) is moving.
- Motion was made by Glasgow to send out new ballots without Lori Ziehr's name and with the correction regarding number of Director's to vote for (2). New ballot will be a different color. Old ballots will not be counted; only the revised ballot. Also, Lori needs to send an official withdrawal from consideration as candidate for Director. Martin seconded motion. Motion carried.
- Elections committee is: Chuck Coffey, Evan Whitley and Grant Huggins.

New Business

Consideration of Advisory Council items for summer meeting (copies distributed)

- SRM name change – Vote online or use ballot in latest issue of Trailboss News.
- Much discussion on grammatical and typographical errors in position statements (too numerous to list).
- Glasgow: Aside from the grammatical content, is there disagreement with the position statements? Consensus: Too vague in places, but probably necessarily so due to potential litigation issues.
- Eastern redcedar control position statement – Not ready for this summer's Advisory Council meeting which is being held in 2 weeks in Flagstaff, AZ.

Awards Committee Proposal

- Awards committee is Russell Stevens, Troy Daniell, Veronica O'Donnell and Chuck Stanley.
- Not many awards given within section, historically.
- Propose 1 Distinguished Service Award to be called the "Range Rider" or "Mark Mayo" award. This award would go to SRM members only. The Board decided to table the issue of what to call the award to allow the awards committee and/or BOD time to research past members that are worthy of having an award named after them. Naming of the awards will be left to awards committee.
- Propose 2 Honor Awards for Outstanding Service to be called the Outstanding Service Awards. These awards could go to anyone deserving (not just SRM members).
- Motion made by Northup: Two Honor Awards be established and named after founding members or deceased member of high standing ("John Doe Award for Outstanding Service"). Further divide the awards so that one may be given for educational achievements and one for a service component when presented. Martin seconds. Motion carried.

Complimentary Newsletter Recipient List

- Many that receive complimentary newsletters should be SRM members. The Board suggests that all individuals from within Oklahoma be taken off the comp. list and sent a letter asking them to join SRM.
- Organizations will be screened and even if we decide to keep them on the list, we will send them a letter about the available organizational membership.
- In the letter, inform them that the newsletters can be found on the OKSRM website.

SRM Unfunded Project List

- Letter from Sam Albrecht was distributed soliciting money from the sections for unfunded SRM projects.
- The Board feels that we are not in a financial position to offer any monetary support at this time.

Meeting Adjourned (12:15 p.m.) – Boerngen/Enfield. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: October 5, 2002, at conclusion of 2002 Oklahoma Section Annual Meeting, Ardmore, OK.

Submitted by

Chan Glidewell
Secretary, Oklahoma Section

**Oklahoma Section
Society for Range Management
2002 Budget (As of August 2002)**
Lisa Appeddu, Treasurer

INCOME

Item	Budget	Actual	Notes
Membership Dues	500.00	214.00	Rec'd 4/2/02 For 7/31-12/31/01
Annual Section Meeting	4125.00	300.00 ^a	
Interest	100.00	23.78	As of 6/30/02
Total	4725.00	537.78	

^a Donation for luncheon by Dow AgroSciences

EXPENSES

Item	Budget	Actual	Notes
Annual Section Meeting	3500.00		
OKAEE Display	100.00		
Newsletter/Directory	400.00		
Section Awards	150.00		
Postage	50.00		
Elections	50.00		
Contributions ^a	250.00	250.00	Paid 3/4/02
Memberships ^b	100.00	100.00	Paid 1/28/02
General Supplies	100.00		
Total	4700.00	350.00	

^a Donation to Oklahoma Envirothon.

^b Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association.

BALANCE

Item	Date	Deposit	Expense
Starting Balance	4/30/02	5248.31	
Donation	6/17/02	300.00	
Interest	4/30 to 6/30/02	13.16	
Total		5561.47	

OK SRM Funds: \$5561.47