

**Society for Range Management  
Oklahoma Section  
Board of Directors Meeting  
December 7, 2001  
Oklahoma City, OK**

Bob Gillen called the meeting to order at 10:38 a.m. A quorum was established.

The following members were present:

President-Elect/ 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Matt Mattox  
2<sup>nd</sup> V.P. – Steve Glasgow  
Director/Historian – Laurie Boerngen  
Director – Chuck Stanley  
Director – John Weir  
Director – Denise Turner  
Director – Sam Fuhlendorf  
Director – Lee Holcomb  
Secretary – Chan Glidewell  
Treasurer – Lisa Appeddu

Bob Gillen 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** (Weir motioned/ Stanley seconded).

**Treasurer's Report**

- Bob Gillen distributed the latest Treasurer's Report (copy attached). Current income for the year is \$1,860.88 against expenditures of \$1,391.91. The bank balance is \$5,749.80. **Treasurer's report was approved** (Boerngen/Turner).
- Lisa Appeddu has volunteered to assume the responsibility of OKSRM Treasurer. Lisa is a research animal scientist (ruminant nutrition) at the USDA-ARS Grazinglands Research Laboratory at Ft.Reno, OK. **Lisa Appeddu was approved as the new Treasurer** (Mattox/Holcomb).

**Newsletter Report**

- Although not present, Russell Stevens (newsletter editor) conveyed to Matt Mattox and Chan Glidewell a couple of things. First of all, there is **a perpetual need for articles to be printed in the Rangeland Wire**. Secondly, Russell is open and receptive to **soliciting volunteers for the position of editor of the newsletter**. It was noted that it would be nice if the new editor had access to facilities capable of printing and distributing the newsletter, as is the case now. This matter was tabled until the next meeting.

## **Committee Reports:**

**Information and Education** – The OKSRM website continues to develop and can be found at [www.agr.okstate.edu/OKSRM/range.htm](http://www.agr.okstate.edu/OKSRM/range.htm). Amy Ganguli, graduate student at OSU, has created the site and is willing to maintain the site. She requests that the membership supply her with pertinent information to be posted (photos, links, text, powerpoint presentations, etc.). The application for the **SRM Masonic Range Scholarship Award** is available on the website. Deadline for submitting scholarship award materials is January 15, 2002.

**Awards** – Bob Gillen was presented a plaque by Matt Mattox in appreciation of his service as President of the OKSRM section for the past 12 months.

**Excellence in Range Management Poster, Phelan Ranch** – This poster will be presented by Chuck Stanley and/or Bob Gillen at the Grazier's Forum portion of the SRM Annual Meeting in Kansas City. Chuck gave a preview of the presentation and it appears to be coming along nicely. The poster will consist of 3 panels focusing on subjects such as: cattle management, goat management, rotational grazing, wildlife issues, and the Phelan family.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Review of OKSRM Annual Meeting in Stillwater** – 186 people registered for the meeting. Oklahoma Native Plant Society had the most registrants (73), while SRM had 38. The joint-nature of the meeting resulted in interesting new perspectives, frustration with subject matter and/or realization of common ground with other resource users, depending on your point of view. It was noted that if a goal of SRM is to expose different user groups to what SRM is about, then we must be willing to listen to what they are about, also. Those that stayed for the Saturday tours (maybe 25 % of attendees) enjoyed them; some felt that information exchange was good throughout the meeting. Some expressed a wish of concurrent sessions for a meeting such as this; however, a low volume of speakers precluded this from happening. There was discussion on trying a Thursday-Friday format for future meetings, versus the Friday-Saturday format of recent meetings. The goal is to try and retain a majority of attendees for the second day of these 2-day meetings.

**Nominees for National SRM office** – There is a December 17 deadline for submission of nominees for national offices. No nominations were made. We should be thinking of potential nominees earlier in the year to be able to submit appropriate materials. This item should be on the agenda for the May 2002 meeting of the Board of Directors.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**National Advisory Council Meeting in Kansas City** – This is an all day meeting scheduled for February 14, 2001 (Thursday). Representation from each section is required, preferably the President, 1<sup>st</sup> V.P., or 2<sup>nd</sup> V.P (or all). In voting matters, each section receives only one vote regardless of how many representatives from that section attend the meeting.

### **Review of 2001**

- No applications for the Excellence in Rangeland Stewardship award were generated/ received, thus no awards given this past year. This may be due to the fact that many of our committees (including the awards committee) are not filled. There is a need to have awards committee members that have knowledge of many producers and work with many producers (i.e., OSU Extension Range, NRCS personnel) to promote those that are deserving of consideration. Mattox mentioned 2 members that he has or will appoint to this committee.

### **2002 Meeting Dates**

- February 8, May 17, August 2, October (3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> depending on Annual Mtg.). All meetings will be held in the 1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room at the Grazinglands Research Laboratory at Ft. Reno at 10:30 am, unless directed otherwise.

**Big Pasture Prescribed Burning Association** – Chuck Stanley reported the formation of this group that covers about 6 counties in southwestern OK. This group is thought to be the first of its kind in Oklahoma and is patterned after the Edwards Plateau Burning Association in Texas. Most of the activity, at this time, seems to be centered in Comanche and Tillman counties.

**Meeting Adjourned (12:05 p.m.)** – Weir/Fuhlendorf. Motion carried.

**Next Meeting: February 8, at Grazinglands Research Laboratory, HQ, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room at 10:30 a.m.**

Submitted by

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Secretary, Oklahoma Section