

SERNW
Executive Board Meeting
Thursday November 17, 2005
Third Place Books at Lake Forest Park
6:00PM-8:00 PM

Members Present:	Jake Jacobson	President
	Peter Hummel	Program VP
	Tim Walls	Treasurer
	Steve Moddemeyer	SERI Regional Rep
	Adrienne Fox	Publications

1. Fiscal Update: Design to Dirt made \$5,478. We lost money on the 2005 conference and Special Event (\$1,051 and \$177 respectively). Our current assets are approximately \$1,800 in checking, and \$20,000 in our money market account. In addition, we are due \$5,708 from CUH for D2D registrations, \$5,033 from our Splash Grant, and \$4,110 from EPP. This gives us somewhere around \$37,500 to work with. Decision to use a web based version of QuickBooks for a fee of \$15.00/mo. so that the transition is easier between incoming and outgoing Treasurers and allows for more board members to view the finances. Editing will remain limited to Treasurer and President. Tim and Jake will be authorized on the signature card for bank account.
2. Committee action/assignments/reports: Our working groups fallen by the wayside. They need someone to jump start them or we should reinvent them to get more members involved. SERI is going to take over Restoration Radio from Steve. Jake pointed out that exec board members need to be on more committees.
3. Web Update: Decision to remove out of date materials and archive them on the web server for reference. Discussed moving to the SERI server by the end of January. Move would be beneficial for future web masters because html is not required to post to the website with this service and SERI has an experienced web person available for complicated processes for an hourly fee. There was discussion about additions to improve the web site: regional map with links for quality regional resources, Design to Dirt materials, relevant articles from Google Scholar searches and a 2005 conference summary including abstracts. Adding materials for the 2006 SWS/SER conference was also discussed but put on hold until after our participation in the conference is clarified.
4. CUH partnership update: Jake reported that CUH will serve as mailing address for small fee. Details need to be worked out with new CUH staff. Note: Details have now been worked out. CUH will provide us the use of a mail drop (our PO Box), will forward our mail, and allow us to use a meeting room three times a year for \$200 annually.
5. SERI partnership update: Jake submitted a counter proposal to SERI that is currently being reviewed. This proposal is proportional and based on membership head count. SERI management fee would be \$2.50 per renewing member annually, and \$5 for each new member recruited.

6. Spring conference with SWS: Peter contacted Dana Fields at SWS. Theme of the conference is Columbia River Ecosystems. Ideas were brought up for a workshop on restoration site planning and preparation. Jake suggested that Frank Reckendorf could put this together and we can try to get some same presenters from Design to Dirt. Possible tracks for SERNW at the conference: successes and failures, climate change and the Columbia Basin and tribal idea of how to deal with effects of climate change. This would be 2 days of SERNW participation (1 day for workshop and 1 day for conference track). Climate change was most popular among the group. Suggestions to solicit speakers: UW climatologists, Yakima Nation, and SERI president Keith Bowers.
7. Retreat: Jake expressed concern over the scheduling of the retreat and if we would have made enough progress to warrant a two day retreat and who would moderate retreat to make best use of time there. Cara had volunteered to moderate at last meeting and Jake was going to as MK at SERI to attend retreat for moderation and to apprise the group of SERI changes. Retreat objectives, logistics and other retreat items were not discussed in detail.