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Professional Foresters Examining Committee Meeting Minutes

Held: February 16, 2023

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

Members Present:

- Frank Mulhair, Chair
- Dan Sendek
- Bill Snyder (Early Departure due to Technical Difficulties)
- James Hawkins
- Christian Eggleton (Early Departure due to Technical Difficulties)
- Larry Forero (Early Departure due to Technical Difficulties)
- Jason Poburko
- Danielle Lindler

Staff Participating:

- Dan Stapleton, Assistant Executive Officer, Licensing
- Deniele Casarubbia, Staff Services Analyst, Licensing
- Robert "Bob" Roth, Attorney
- Y.G. Gentry, Contracted Expert Grader

Call to Order, Adjourn to Closed Session Reconvene from Closed Session

Announcement of Actions Taken in Closed Session

During closed session, the Board reviewed the draft for the April 2023 exam, approved the exam applicants, and approved the January closed session meeting minutes.

Approval of the January 2023 PFEC Open Session Meeting Minutes

Member Snyder moves to approve the January meeting minutes. Member Poburko seconds the motion.

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Dan Sendek Aye

Bill Snyder Aye
James Hawkins Aye
Christian Eggleton Aye
Larry Forero Aye
Jason Poburko Aye
Danielle Lindler Aye
Frank Mulhair, Chair Aye

The motion passes unanimously.

Report of the Executive Officer Foresters Licensing

- E.O. Dan Stapleton revealed that many applicants applied for the April 2023 exam. Quite a few of them are returning applicants that have already taken the exam. He expects to have over 40 applicants take the exam.
- E.O. Stapleton also revealed that he spoke at the logging conference in Redding to encourage agricultural teachers to educate students on how to become an RPF.

<u>Discussion of Applicant Exam Preparation PFEC Priority #1</u>

The committee reviewed the general language on the proposal for an Apprentice Professional Forester Program.

Proposed PFEC Policy #3 Revision

Member Poburko moves to forward revised Sendek Policy #3 to the Board for consideration and approval. Member Lindler seconds the motion.

Roll Call:

Dan Sendek Aye
James Hawkins Aye
Jason Poburko Aye
Danielle Lindler Aye
Frank Mulhair, Chair Aye

The motion passes unanimously.

Review of RPF Fund Budget Actuals and Projections

E.O. Stapleton presented on the current budget actuals and projections. He revealed that the current budget exceeds expenditures, and that there is a drop in overall numbers for valid RPF's. He explained that if Licensing does not get a BCP, the program will have to raise fees again to remain fiscally solvent.

Meeting Adjourned