NEOSWA – Board Meeting

Date: June 24th, 2021

Location: Small Conference Room, Baker County Fairgrounds

Minutes

Called to Order: 4:35 PM

Attendance:

- In-Person: Debi Lorence (President), Jacob Putney (Secretary), Roberta Vanderwall

- Zoom: Randy Guyer (Treasurer), Dean Defrees, Maurizio Valerio, Bill Porfily

Debi called the board meeting to order. Agenda of the board meeting is to introduce and vote two potential board members and briefly discuss adopting Bylaws.

Debi introduced Roberta Vanderwall. Roberta noted she recently moved back to Baker on the tree farm her father used to manage. Her father was involved with OSWA in the past, and she would like to continue that legacy. Jacob made a motion to nominate Roberta as Membership Chair of the Chapter, Randy Seconded. There was no discussion, so the motion moved to a vote. Passed unanimously.

Debi introduced Maurizio Valerio. Maurizio has been involved with OSWA and Tree Farm for a number of years, as well as other organizations like the Baker Resources Coalition. Jacob motioned to nominate Maurizio as Vice-President of the Chapter, Randy Seconded. There was no discussion, so the motion moved to a vote. Passed unanimously.

Debi moved to set a date for a tour and workshop at the Valerio Property. August was discussed but concerns about fire season were mentioned. Setting a date for a tour/workshop were tabled to be discussed further.

Debi moved to talk about the Bylaws and suggested setting a date for a work session. Work session was scheduled for July 15th at 6:00 PM at the Small Conference Room at the Baker County Fairgrounds. Jacob discussed items that were high priority to be addressed within the draft Bylaws. Jacob will send out Bylaws for review.

No further discussion, meeting adjourned.

Adjourned: 4:55 PM

*REMINDER: The 2021 Oregon Family Forest Convention, hosted by Oregon Small Woodlands Association and Oregon Tree Farm System, will be held virtually on July 23rd. On August 21st, an in-person tour will be held at Whitewater Forest Tree Farm, owned and managed by the 2019 Tree Farmers of the Year, Gail and Gordon Culbertson.

More Information: https://www.oswa.org/blog/