

Midwest Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Annual Meeting
June 24 - June 27, 2012
Wichita, Kansas

ACTION ITEMS

- < Presented Awards to Craig Fuller, MO, Fisheries Biologist of the Year; Chad Steward, IN, Wildlife Biologist of the Year; Bill Miller, WI, Law Enforcement Officer of the Year; –Andrew Hulin, IL, Spirit of the Shack; one Sagamore Award to Rex Amack, NE - retired; President's Award to Kansas Natural Resources Conservation Service; and Past President's Award to Keith Sexson, KS. A new award was given this year for Excellence in Conservation and was awarded to two agencies NE received the award for the Missouri River Outdoor Expo and IN received the award for the Indiana Healthy Rivers Initiative. (Completed 6/25/12)
- < Voted to send letter regarding (Private Land Recommendation) (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Voted to send letter (Public Land Recommendation) (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Accepted 2011 minutes from annual business meeting in Honey Creek Lodge, ??, Iowa (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Voted to accept Treasurer's Report, cash on hand as of - \$ (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Voted to accept Audit Report (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Voted to accept Investment Committee Report (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Approved one resolution (Completed 6/27/12)
 Thanking Illinois for holding conference
- < Voted to approve Awards Committee Report (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Voted to approve by-law changes as recommended (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Voted to approve Affiliate Memberships (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Voted to approve Southern Wings Projects (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Voted to put together proposal to form AdHoc Working Committee for New Technical Working Group (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Voted to accept Delaney 3-year Contract (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Voted to accept FY2013 budget as presented (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Voted to adjourn (Completed 6/27/12)

Items discussed, but not voted on:

- < Discussed State Hot Topics (6/25/12)
- < Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on Building Conservation Leaders from the Ground Up (Karl Martin, NCS-TWS, Wisconsin DNR) (Completed 6/25/12)
- < Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on Law Enforcement Leadership Training (Larry Yamnitz, Missouri Wildlife Protection Officer) (Completed 6/25/12)
- < Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on The Asian Carp Crisis (Marc Smith, Sr. Policy Manager, NWF, Michigan) (Completed 6/25/12)
- < Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on Constructing the Northeast/Midwest Climate Science Center (Rachel Muir, Region Science Advisor & Interim Director, Northeast Climate Science Center, USGS) (Completed 6/25/12)
- < Held panel discussion on Marketing (National Perspective, Bill Creighton, CEO, Council to Advance Hunting & Shooting Sports; National Perspective with Regional Focus, Stephanie Hussey, RBFF; State Perspective, Richard Smalley, KDWPT; and Social Media and Marketing, Alissa Sheley, Sr. Digital Strategist, Jones Huyett Partners) (Completed 6/25/12)
- < Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on National Bobwhite Conservation Initiative (Don McKenzie, NBCI Director) (Completed 6/25/12)
- < Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on A Fishy Future: An Update on the National Fish Habitat Partnership (Gary Whalen, Program Manager, MI DNR Fisheries Division) (Completed 6/25/12)
- < Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on Fishing for Answers: Developing Landscape Tools for Aquatic Species Management (Maureen Gallagher, USFWS) (Completed 6/25/12)
- < Heard Midwest Furbearer Group report (Joe Kramer, KDWPT) (Completed 6/25/12)
- < Heard Law Enforcement Committee (AMGFLEO) report (Kevin Jones, KDWPT) (Completed 6/25/12)
- < Heard Private Lands Working Group and Public Lands Working Group joint report (Brad Simpson and Mike Mitchener, KDWPT) (Completed 6/25/12)
- < Heard Climate Change Committee report (Brad Simpson, KDWPT) (Completed 6/25/12)
- < Heard Legal Committee report (Chris Tymeson, KDWPT) (Completed 6/25/12)
- < Heard State Wildlife Action Plan Technical Working Committee report (Benjy Kinman, KY) (Completed 6/25/12)

- < Heard Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (AFWA) report (Executive Director Ron Regan {President Jon Gassett could not attend}) (Completed 6/26/12)
- < Heard U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Reports (National Director Dan Ashe; Region 3 Director Tom Melius; Region 6 Director Steve Guertin; and Law Enforcement Chief Bill Woody) (Completed 6/26/12)
- < Heard NRCS report (Eric Banks, Kansas State Conservationist) (Completed 6/26/12)
- < Heard report from the USDA/APHIS Wildlife Services (Bill Clay, National Administrator) (Completed 6/26/12)
- < Heard U.S. Forest Service report (Nancy Ross, Region 9, Director Renewable Resources) (Completed 6/26/12)
- < Discussed and viewed PowerPoint from FDC Enterprises on Partnering with Conservation Organizations and Contractors to Manage Public Lands (Tom Schwartz, Vice President of Marketing, FDC Enterprises) (Completed 6/26/12)
- < Heard report on the 75th Anniversary of Pittman-Robertson (WSFR) (Ron Regan, Executive Director, AFWA) (Completed 6/26/12)
- < Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on Hunter Education: Saying Goodbye to We've Always Done It That Way (Kurt Kalkomey, Kalkomey Enterprises) (Completed 6/26/12)
- < Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on Wildlife Lab/Forensics Society Accreditation (Deedra Hawk, Wildlife Laboratory Director, W Game & Parks & President of Society of Wildlife Forensic Science) (Completed 6/26/12)
- < Heard CITES report (Carolyn Caldwell, OH) (Completed 6/26/12)
- < Heard NCN Committee report (Jim Douglas, NE) (Completed 6/26/12)
- < Heard Hunter & Angler Recruitment & Retention Committee report (Marc Miller, IL) (Completed 6/26/12)
- < Heard Pheasant Study Group report (Dave Dahlgren, KDWPT) (Completed 6/26/12)
- < Heard Deer and Wild Turkey Study Group report (Lloyd Fox, KDWPT) (Completed 6/26/12)
- < Heard Wildlife and Fish Health Committee report (Shane Hesting, KDWPT) (Completed 6/26/12)
- < Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on National LCC Update (Glen Salmon, Acting Regional Director, Science Applications, LCC) (Completed 6/26/12)

- < Heard Treasurer's report (Sharon Schafer, Treasurer, MI) (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Heard Investments and Committee Portfolio report (Shane Hessman) (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Heard Audit Committee report (Benjy Kinman, KY) (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Heard Resolutions Committee report (Ed Boggess, MN) (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Heard Awards Committee report (Keith Sexson, KS) (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Heard Bylaws Committee report (Marc Miller, IL) (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Viewed MAFWA Executive Secretary's PowerPoint Report (Completed 6/27/12)
- Heard and discussed report on MAFWA/Midwest F&W Conference Relationship (Ollie Torgerson, Executive Secretary and Keith Sexson, MAFWA President, KS) (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Heard New Business
- < Discussed FY2013 Budget (Completed 6/27/12)
- < Passed the gavel to Kentucky (Completed 6/27/12)