



Tennessee Council, Trout Unlimited

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Minutes of executive committee meeting held March 4, 2015, at Panera Bread, 205 N. Peters Road, Knoxville.

Present: Steve Brown, Dick Geiger, George Lane, Frances Oates.

Absent: Mike Bryant.

Geiger called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

Coldwater/council meeting March 7: Agendas for both meetings were discussed and finalized.

Budget: The budget proposed at the July council meeting was discussed and revised, adding more money to support participants in the national TU annual meeting; more subsidy money to encourage participation in the Southeast Regional Meeting; and a new budget item for a Memphis-area field day, as an activity for members in West Tennessee where the Delta Chapter was recently disbanded due to lack of participation. The proposed budget is shown on the next page.

Memphis field day: Lane agreed to serve as organizing chairman for a picnic with speakers in West Tennessee, perhaps at Agricenter International's Agricenter, 7777 Walnut Grove Rd., Memphis. Committee members will be sought from several chapters.

All-chapter training: A weekend training session in the fall, to involve members of all chapters, is still in the budget. Chapters will be surveyed for interest in this.

National Leadership Council: Brown is serving on a new communications work group for the NLC.

Other matters:

- The committee agreed to display at the council meeting the award recently presented by the Tennessee Chapter of the American Fisheries Society; then the award will be passed around among the chapters.
- Lane suggested establishing an advisory council of former Tennessee Council chairs, and also giving them plaques or certificates to honor them for their service.
- Some individuals have already told the executive committee that they have commented on an application allowing gold prospecting in the Tellico watershed; participants in the council meeting March 7 will also be encouraged to send their comments.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

[For the treasurer's report and proposed budget, see the next page.]

Treasurer's Report

Balance 11/1/14			7575.06
National meeting 2014		-1000.00	
Bank charges		-35.44	
Balance 3/3/15			6539.62
Council rebate	From TU National	+5755.00	
Balance, 3/4/15			12294.62

Proposed Budget for 2014-15

Recurring Operating Expenses			
National meeting	Participants' travel	2000.00	
State quarterly meetings	Lunch and coffee	600.00	
Southeast Regional Meeting	Subsidies: \$200 per chapter=\$1,600; \$400 for council	2000.00	
Chairman travel	Visit chapters	500.00	
Liability insurance		110.00	
Administration	Office, stamps, website	250.00	
Telephone	Conference calls	250.00	
Trout camp	Additional \$4,700 funded from license plate moneys for a total camp budget of \$6,200	1500.00	
Total recurring			7210.00
Other Expenses			
Training event	All-chapter gathering	1000.00	
Chapter development	Memphis field day	750.00	
Total other expenses			1750.00
Total budget			8960.00