

**IPAW Board Meeting Minutes**  
**12:00 pm – 2:00 pm Tuesday, January 14, 2020**  
**Wisconsin DNR Office, 101 South Webster Street, Madison, Room 408**

**Board members present:** Kari Hagenow, Mark Renz, John Lunz, Nisa Karimi, and Anne Pearce

**Board members present by telephone:** Steve Bertjens, Christa Schaefer, Diane Schauer, and Jessica Roloff

**Also present:** Chrissy Bartelme and Jerry Doll

**Excused:** Kelly Kearns (non-board)

**Absent:** Greg Bunker, Heidi Kennedy, and Katherine Stahl

### **Administration**

1. **Roll Call:** Meeting called to order at 12:12 PM. Roll is listed above.
2. **Approval of the Agenda:** Renz moved to approve the agenda. Pearce seconded the motion. The motion passed.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** Karimi moved to approve the minutes of November 12th, 2019. Renz seconded the motion. The motion passed.

4. **Treasurer's Report:** No report.

Renz stated that the board will discuss a draft of the 2020 budget. Bartelme will investigate additional costs for website as there may be additional expenses for plug-ins for UMISC 2020, as well as costs for maintaining the website and the need for upgrades. Board members discussed categorizing expenses for the 2020 budget.

- Bartelme, Hagenow, and Renz will work on finalizing the 2020 budget and present at the next board meeting. The budget will then be voted on at the next meeting.

### **Old Business**

5. **Calendar Review and Upcoming Events**

- Lunz to bring materials to January 25<sup>th</sup> is the Wild Ones conference, "Toward Harmony With Nature" at the Oshkosh Convention Center in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. Valerie Stabenow volunteered to work at the IPAW booth. Bartelme will coordinate with Lunz moving materials to the next conference.
- Bartelme is coordinating the 2020 PBS Wisconsin Garden & Landscape Expo which is February 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> in the Exhibition Hall at Alliant Energy Center in Madison, Wisconsin. Volunteer slots are filling and Bartelme will share the sign-up sheet with board. Doll, Pearce, Karimi, and Bartelme will be at the event.

There is no IPAW booth at the Wisconsin Wetlands Association conference, however there will be IPAW brochures at the LISMA booth. Bartelme will coordinate the materials for this event.

- Bertjens volunteered to attend The Prairie Enthusiasts conference in Platteville, WI that will be held on February 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Karimi will be attending a public education event on March 28<sup>th</sup> held by the Columbia Masters Gardeners in Rio, WI sharing invasive species information.

IPAW does not plan on attending the Wisconsin Lake conference this year as Golden Sands RC&D will be attending with terrestrial invasive species information. Schauer noted that there was a lot of interest from people stopping by the IPAW booth in buckthorn and honeysuckle information at this event in past years that IPAW has attended.

#### 6. **CWIP Invasive Species Management Workshop**

- ❑ Anne reached out to Michele Jasik who expressed interest but could not commit to that date at this time. However, she could write an article on porcelain berry for the event. Josh Benes from Golden Sands said they could use Jasik's article for that event. The workshop organizers are also looking for someone to do outreach for talking to neighbors about invasive plants at the Mead Wildlife Center on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020.

#### **New Business**

#### 7. **Shared BOX Folder**

Hagenow discussed using a shared BOX folder for all board members to share documents related to IPAW business. The board will be invited to use the box folder by Hagenow.

- ❑ Hagenow and Bartelme will work on updating the files into Box.

#### 8. **Upcoming IPAW Newsletter – Feb/March**

Bartelme will work on a newsletter for the month of March.

Topics discussed for a spring newsletter:

- ❑ Hagenow to write opening article from the President (President's address);
- ❑ Renz to write up UMISC article through MIPN and article of call for papers;
- ❑ Bartelme will include new UMISC graphic
- ❑ Bertjens to write up introduction article/bio;
- ❑ Karimi will look into an article from graduate student about tool against invasives;
- ❑ Schaefer to write brief article on April 22<sup>nd</sup> is the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary for Earth Day;
- ❑ Bartelme will include upcoming events section for CISMA annual meeting and Invader Crusader event, board members are invited to share info with Bartelme on these events;

The board also discussed an article on CISMA collaborations over 2019.

The deadline for articles to Bartelme is Friday March 13th. Bartelme will send the newsletter in late March.

#### 9. **IPAW Annual Meeting – April 22, 2020**

Location of central Wisconsin, the exact location TBD. IPAW annual meeting will be embedded within the CISMA meeting. The AIS meeting will be on the following day, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, location TBD as well. Question raised if any CISMA's have been contacted about the CISMA meeting and what information would they like to learn at the meeting.

- ❑ Bartelme, Pearce, and Hagenow will work on answering these questions. A survey was taken by CISMA's at the fall meeting that would be useful in planning content for the April 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

#### 10. **2020 BOD Meeting Dates/Locations**

The upcoming board meetings are Tuesday March 17<sup>th</sup> from noon-2 pm and May 12<sup>th</sup>. The meeting will continue as the second Tuesday of the month after the March meeting for the 2020 year. Hagenow suggested a group meet in Madison and a group meet in Green Bay and call in from satellite locations. The locations for all board meetings for the rest of the year are to be determined.

Hagenow is deciding if there will be an IPAW retreat this year, typically there is an IPAW retreat every other year and the last retreat was summer of 2019. Board members discussed possible locations for the retreat if it takes place. Lunz suggested the Wild Ones in Appleton. Extension office or the public library in Fond du lac for meeting in the middle were also options discussed for a rendezvous site.

### **Committee Reports**

#### 11. **UMISC 2020 Updates**

Renz will be on a call on Wednesday January 15<sup>th</sup> where themes will be selected for UMISC 2020. Renz shared possible themes and the board shared thoughts on the themes. Renz said they are also working on finding plenary speakers.

A final save-the-date UMISC card for 2020 is ready. Bartelme will send to UMISC cards to IPAW board members, CISMA leaders, and IPAW members. Bartelme will also have cards ready for booths.

#### **UMISC 2022 Updates**

Renz said there were initially four venues being researched, but after research done by the UMISC 2022 venue committee there are three possible venues. Renz reached out to each venue in Madison, Green Bay, and Milwaukee and we have a bid from each of them. The board discussed the accommodations and estimated costs of each of the three venues. The venue committee will meet next week to discuss each venue.

#### 12. **CISMAs**

Board members had discussion about letters of support for different CISMA's and signing MOU's. Schauer, Hagenow, Bartelme, and Roloff could meet to discuss this topic as this is a new topic and draft some guidelines for IPAW board members to use. The board will have further discussion on this topic and basic guidelines will be put together from a committee.

There was a recent formation of NEWISC (Brown, Outagamie, Winnebago, and Waupaca counties), a new CISMA brought on by Golden Sands RC&D in December. Pearce said there is an updated CISMA map on the IPAW website that includes the new CISMA.

LISMA will have a booth at the Wisconsin Wetlands Association conference with grant money from IPAW and will have IPAW brochures at their booth.

**13. Communications & Website**

- Bartelme will make updates on the events page on the website.

**14. Education**

No report.

**15. Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday March 17<sup>th</sup> noon-2pm with a location to be determined.