



WEST VIRGINIA STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR FORESTERS

The West Virginia Board of Registration for Foresters met on October 11, 2012, at the WV Division of Forestry, 7 Players Club Drive, Charleston, WV. The meeting was called to order at 10:12 a.m. by President John Brooks. Others in attendance included Secretary/Treasurer Cinda Francis, Clerical Assistant Hope Goff, David Hill, and Dan Parker.

The minutes of the previous meeting were distributed. David Hill made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Dan Parker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Financial Report was given by Secretary/Treasurer Cinda Francis. David Hill moved to accept the financial report as given. Dan Parker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Correspondence The Auditors Training will be in December. They are going back to the one day format – 8:30 am – 4:00 pm.

Safety Review – The Board reviewed and discussed “Seatbelt Safety”

Old Business – Ryan Barker did get current with his Forester Registration. Dave Hill mentioned that a Forestry Technician is advertising on his website that he can survey boundaries. The Board of Surveyors is looking into this. This Board has not received an official complaint; therefore, we cannot act upon this. He was also told by a landowner that a Forestry Technician is advertising themselves as a Forester. He advised the landowner to go the website and fill out the formal complaint form. Until it is received the board cannot act upon heresay.

- **Complaint Procedure** - Cinda still needs to contact the Attorney General’s office to get some advice on how to develop a complaint procedure form for the board to use when it receives complaints. She is hoping to have this done by the April 2013 meeting.
- **Exam** – John does not have an exam ready today. Will most likely have one ready by December. He is requesting the board’s approval to issue the test prior to the end of this semester. John will send it to the board members for them to make suggestions/comments prior to the exam being issued to students. Dan Parker moved that John Brooks create, distribute and give the exam. David Hill seconded. Motion carried.

New Business – Forest Management Review Commission (FRMC) meeting will be on one of these days in November – 26, 27, or 28. John Brooks will present to the FMRC. He will contact Cinda about getting numbers and information to be prepared for what they will ask. Cinda will try to attend.

OTHER BUSINESS – None.

EMERITUS STATUS – None.

FIT/FTIT UPGRADES – Four requests were received for upgrades. Michael Ira Dolin(FIT), William Tracy Hawk(FT), Delt Kaylor(FTIT), Zachary Collins(FIT). Dan Parker moved to accept all upgrades as listed below. David Hill seconded. Motion carried.

Michael Ira Dolin – **RPF#753**

William Tracy Hawk – **RPF#754**

Delt Kaylor – **FT-113**

Zachary Collins – **RPF#755**

CARRYOVERS – None

Forestry Technicians – The Board reviewed one application for Forestry Technician status. The applicant, Jared Anthony Ferguson, was found to need work experience. David Hill made the motion to accept this applicant as a Forestry-Tech-in-Training. Dan Parker seconded. Motion carried.

Jared Anthony Ferguson - FTIT

Foresters - The Board reviewed four requests for registration as Foresters. After review of the applications the following was determined: Gregory Earl Baker, Jacob Patrick Metcalf, and Bret Ashley Robinson are ready to be registered, and Matthew Oliver Eugene Cummons has no references. David Hill moved to approve Baker, Metcalf, and Robinson and to table Cummons until the April 2013 meeting. Dan Parker seconded. Motion carried.

Gregory Earl Barker – **RPF#756**

Jacob Patrick Metcalf – **RPF#757**

Bret Ashley Robinson – **RPF#758**

The next meeting of the Board will be April 11, 2013, at the WV Division of Forestry Headquarters, 7 Players Club Drive, Charleston at 10:00 am. The meeting adjourned at 11:51 a.m.