Members present: Dave Polster, Keith Nevison, Allison Warner, Barry Southerland, Karma Anderson, Jim Hallett, Frank Reckendorf, Rolf Gersonde
Members absent: Russ Lawrence, Joshua Chenoweth, Hank Stein,

I. Board Administration – 6:00 pm – 6:15pm

1. 8/19 Meeting Minutes Approval (Keith) – Minutes need to be posted on our website.
   Motion to approve minutes: Barry, Frank seconds, all approve.

2. Treasurers Report (Frank, Samantha): Endowment amount: $57,005.24
   $73,548.21 total in account (SERNW + Conference $) + $636.75 Cash currently on hand.

3. Board committee assignments – attachments: Currently light on committee members. Alaine is no longer on Board so that leaves some empty slots.
   Website: Waiting for a few months for Cathy Schuler to get up to speed.

II. New Business – (6:15-6:20)

1. SERNW 2014 Awards
   Looking at need to revaluate structure of awards in the future.
   Frank has some reservations about adding any new awards. Rolf agrees.

   a. Tim Lillebo is appropriate for 2014 Conservationist of the Year – Frank, Barry, Karma, Allison;
      Barry motions, Frank seconds. 5 approve, one abstention

   b. President’s Award (Collaborative Restoration) – Bob Hansen recommends National Riparian Service Team (Wayne Elmore), very large collaborative effort among multiple partners.
      Keith makes a motion, Barry seconds: Most ayes, one abstention

   c. Special Award – Allison makes a motion to commend Alaine Sommargren (outgoing Web Publication Chair Board Member); Barry, Jim second; Recommended for lots of involvement in SERNW 20th Anniversary, SERNW webpage, Conference webpage w/ COIC. Most approve, one abstention

2. Travel scholarships- Jim: 8 applicants for scholarships, all have requested full amount of $400.
   Several are presenting at Conference. Keith and Barry have offered to assist (asked to rank all 8 in order). A total of 5 scholarships will be awarded ($2000). Allison approves Grants Committee going forward with deciding and contacting students directly upon decision.

Rolf - printed program is being put together currently. We need a few more people to help moderate sessions. We might have to cancel some vans for field trips due to low registration. Still working on the closing plenary details.

Jim - working on getting the abstract part finalized.

Conference: 196 registrants, ¼ coming to the banquet, 50 signed up for field trips. Conference registrations have slowed a bit to 1-2/day from 5 a day last week. As it stands, we are in the black fiscally for the Conference.

20 people registered for invasive species workshop. Dave will bring extra copies of his manual.

**III. Old Business** – (6:20:6:45)

1. Board vacancies – decisions need to be made at Fall conference: Student Guild, Secretary, Web/Publications

**IV. Recurring Business**

1. Board Committee Reports (6:45-7:00)
   
i. Student Guild Updates (_____)- not present
   
ii. Strategic Communications-

1. Fall newsletter: arrived today.

2. Restoration Highlights status: new one on website.
   
i. SER Rep report (Dave P)

   SERI Board meeting this Thursday. Moving ahead with hiring new Executive Director. Certification has been reviewed, opinion is that we need more funds to proceed.

V. Next meeting October 6, 7:30-9 pm