

ATTACHMENT A

American Forest Foundation Minutes of the Board of Directors November 11, 2014

Board:

Ken Stewart	John Burke	Connie Best	Tom Beall
Sally Collins	Nat Frazer	Frank Gallagher	Steve Quarles
Salem Saloom	Sara Vickerman		

Staff:

Tom Martin	Rita Hite	Kathy McGlaufflin	Nathan Truitt
Scott Smiley			

Guests:

Gerald A. Lieberman, Ph.D.

The Trustees entered Executive Session at 12:00 pm.

The Executive Session was ended and open session commenced at 12:20 pm.

The Chair and President provided remarks.

The Chair of the Landowner Outreach Task Force engaged the Trustees in a discussion about AFF's place-based projects, what we have done, what we have learned and what is likely in the future.

Mr. Lieberman then gave a presentation on environmental education and the various educational standards currently in effect.

The proposed 2015 budget was introduced and staff provided an executive summary of the budget as well as the most recent 2014 financial statements.

On a duly made and seconded motion, the following was approved unanimously:

ACTION: The Finance Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the 2015 budget as presented to include an additional draw against board restricted funds not to exceed \$344,047, inclusive of the Woodlands outcomes and 2015 metrics and PLT's 2015 Work Plan.

The trustee's then heard reports from the Woodlands Education Operating Committees.

The Nominations and Governance Committee provided an update of the Committee's activities since the last Trustee meeting. During that report the following motions were introduced, duly seconded and unanimously approved:

ACTION: That the Nominations and Governance Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees qualify Katie Fernholz as a member of the Board of Trustees by virtue of her recent election as Vice Chair of the Woodlands Operating Committee

ACTION: That the Nominations and Governance Committee Recommends to the Board of Trustees that Rhonda Hunter and Michael Law be appointed as members of the Board of Trustees with a term of January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2017.

ACTION: The Nominations and Governance Committee recommends to the Board of Trustees that Allison Welde be appointed to Certification Committee.

The following motion was duly made and seconded and passed with one Trustee abstaining:

ACTION: That the Nominations and Governance Committee recommends to the Board of Trustees that Tom Beall be appointed as an at-large member of the Board of Trustees with a term of January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2017.

Staff then provided an update to the Trustees on AFF's development efforts.

The Consent Agenda was introduced and after a duly made and seconded motion, the following action was approved unanimously:

ACTION: That the Board of Trustees approve the consent agenda to include:

- Approve the minutes of the July 2014 Trustee Meeting
- Approve the November 2017 Board of Trustees Meeting Date
- Receive the update on the Woodlands Metrics
- Receive the update on the PLT metric
- Approve the ATFS Eligibility and IMG Requirements
- Receive an update on AFF's Policy Agenda
- Approve the Public Policy Issue Brief Endangered Species Act and Working Family Forests

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 pm.