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FLORIDA AQUATIC PLANT MANAGEMENT SOCIETY, INC.

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President's Message

Hello to all fellow members of the FAPMS. I hope that each of you are having a successful year in your plant management programs.

I am looking forward to moving the meeting back to the Hilton in Daytona Beach. As you are aware, the conference will take place October 13-16, 2008. I hope that you are working on your plans to attend. If you are new to the Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society, you will not want to miss this conference. In addition to obtaining CEU's for aquatic, rights-of-way, natural areas, CORE, and other credentials needed for license renewal, you will really enjoy the presentations, industry exhibits, and equipment demonstrations. This is the place where you can gain a lot of knowledge through the exchange of ideas and methods for invasive plant control. Our meeting sponsors are also happy to discuss with you many of the tried and true products as well as the new formulations currently on the market or coming available in the near future. Plan to come to renew old friendships or to make new friends that will surely last for years to come.

We are currently soliciting applications for Aquatic Plant Manager of the Year. This award is to recognize an outstanding individual/team for their achievement in the field of aquatic plant management. If you have people that fit these criteria, I encourage you to submit and application to show how much you appreciate the great work.

Please feel free to visit our website at www.fapms.org at any time for more information about our Society and the upcoming conference. Or contact a board member directly by going to the "Directors" page.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I thank each of our members of the aquatic plant management industry for becoming members of FAPMS. You are important to the continued success of our Society.

Cordially,

Chance DuBose
President
Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society

**Don't forget to send
your articles for
Aquatics magazine.**

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Place your ad in the FAPMS quarterly newsletter and reach over 500 Aquatic Plant Managers with every issue.

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Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society, Inc.

AGENDA

1st Quarter Board of Directors Meeting
USACE office
602 North Palm Avenue
Palatka, Florida 32177
February, 13th 2008 10:00 A.M

Call to Order at 10:00 am
Roll Call
Approval of Minutes
Correspondence
Treasurer's Report
Secretary's Report
Editor's Report

Chance Dubose
Stephanie Walters
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Jennifer Myers
Secretary Walters
Jeff Holland

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Keshav Setaram
Mitch Morgan
Stephanie McCarty
Dr. Bill Haller
Robbie Lovestrand
Bill Torres

Steve Montgomery?
Vicki Pontius
Chance DuBose/Tim Harris
Paul Mason
Don Doggett
Dan Bergeson
David Farr
Mike Netherland

Absent; Stephanie Walters, Jennifer Myers, Vicki Pontius, Jeff Holland. Mitch Morgan, Jennifer Bistos-Fitz

Old Business

Committee chair replacements, By Laws

New Business

AERF donation/membership

First Quarter 2008 Minutes (continued)

Approval of minutes President DuBose asked for any omissions, deletions, or modifications to the 4th quarter minutes, and the 31st annual business minutes. Mike Netherland made a motion to approve, Robbie Lovestrand seconded, the 4th quarter and annual business meeting minutes passed unanimously.

Correspondence (See new business)

Treasurer's Report Jerry Renney reviewed with the board the treasurer's report on behalf of Jennifer Myers. The Board suggested checking into changing the checking account into an interest bearing account, and asked for a second calculation of the treasurer's report to be reviewed at the 2nd quarter board meeting.

Secretary's Report No report submitted

Editor's Report No report was submitted

Auditing no report

Awards no report

By-Laws Stephanie McCarty stated that the Board is *required to review* the Standard Operating Procedures on an annual basis and to provide any and all comments to the Immediate Past President, who is Vicki Pontius. Vicki will collate the comments and changes and give them to me for typing into the official document, which will subsequently be posted on the website. I also reminded the Board that the existing SOP is up-to-date and available on the website thanks to David Farr.

Financial no report

Governmental Affair Dr. Bill Haller discussed with the board the proposed budget cuts from the AP trust fund, 4% of which would come from DEP and UF. The board also followed up on the TMDL issue, Dr. Haller will look into getting an update.

Historical No report

Local Arrangements Bill Torres reported (via teleconference) that he will begin to look into meeting sites for 2011. John Everton is looking into a band for the 2008 meeting.

Mailing List The board is Looking into new software, that will include mailing list.

Merchandising Steven Montgomery will take over the responsibility of the Merchandise committee, on behalf of Jennifer Bustos-Fitz.

Nominating No report submitted

Past President Advisory Program No report Submitted
Currently seeking keynote speakers, possibly from BASS or UWF. Program committee will be moving to USACE staff in Okeechobee.

Membership & Publicity Mike Netherland made a motion to approve an applicator mail out, Jerry Renney seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously. Mike Netherland and Dr. Haller will work on sending out FAPMS membership cards to licensed applicators in FL.

Resource Demonstration John Everton and Kelly Gladding will help with the Resource Demonstration committee.

Scholarship Don Doggett reported a total of \$3,500.00 collected from the annual meeting. \$700.00 from the Silent auction and \$2800.00 from raffle ticket sales, and stated treasurer Myers will have the final tally from registration donations and the \$5/ FAPMS member annual donations soon. Don also noted this year the Paul C. Myers Applicator Dependent scholarship will be offered as well as the William L Maier memorial scholarship for graduate students. Mr. Doggett reported the Scholarship foundations assets as of August 31, 2007 were \$85,433.17, Don thanked the donating sponsors, bidders, and ticket purchasers.

Vendor Dan Berguson reported that he is looking into the FVMA and FLEPPC meetings for new ideas for our vendor sponsors.

Website David Farr will work on adding the password protected online member list

Old Business The board reviewed current committee chairs, positions will remain the same.

The board discussed concerns of Aquatics magazine, on whether to take the magazine "in house" Robbie Lovestrand agreed to compare the cost verses income, and will have the information to discuss at the next board meeting,

New Business The board discussed FAPMS sponsorships for AERF and Aquatic weed short course. Mike Netherland made a motion to approve a \$500.00 sponsoship to aquatic weed short course, Dan Berguson seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

Tim Harris made a motion to approve a \$250.00 donation to AERF, Dan Berguson seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

The board also discussed the 2nd annual plant camp, a class being offered at the University of Florida for Plant Management, and suggested to help sponsor the lunches. Lowell Trent made a motion for a \$300.00 donation, Robbie Lovestrand seconded, the motion passed unanimously. Stephanie McCarty suggested giving the teachers a tote bag on behalf of FAPMS, Steve Weisner will look into the cost. Mike Netherland noted on the APMS website there is a definition of Aquatic Plant Control, which has been reviewed by FWC and DEP, and suggested adding it to the FAPMS website.

Stephanie McCarty suggested finding a few small FAPMS items to hand out to people, send with mailings, and other industry meetings.

Site and Time Selection for next meeting

President DuBose will email the board for next site and time for the 2nd BOD meeting.

Proposed site: Reedy Creek board room, Orlando, FL

Adjourn:

Lowell Trent made the motion to adjourn the 1st quart BOD meeting, Tim Harris seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

2008 Aquatic Weed Control Short Course
Aquatic, Upland
and Invasive Weed Control;
Aquatic Plant Identification
May 5-8, 2008
Coral Springs Marriott Hotel
Golf Club and Convention Center
Coral Springs, FL

The Aquatic Plant Management Society, Inc.
48th Annual Meeting
July 13-16, 2008
The Mills house Hotel
Charleston, SC

Florida Exotic Pest Plant Council's
23rd Annual Symposium
Jacksonville, Florida
April 21-24, 2008

The 19th Annual FLMS Conference
Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort
Sandestin, FL
June 2-5, 2008

2008 FVMA Conference
April 15-18, 2008
Hilton Daytona Beach/Ocean Walk Village
100 North Atlantic Ave
Daytona Beach, FL
386-254-8200
Reservations: 800-HILTONS

Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society Inc

Membership Form

Name _____ Date _____
Company/ Agency _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Your FAPMS membership includes a full year of Aquatics Magazine and the Societies Newsletter. You will be kept up to date on all the latest news and information affecting the aquatics industry

Membership Levels: Active \$35 , Associate (out of state) \$35 , Contributing \$50 ,
Student \$5 , Library Service \$100

Is this a new membership or a renewal Check if contact information has changed

Make Checks Payable to: FAPMS
PO Box 560700
Orlando, FL 32856-1327 E-mail : mail@fapms.org

Credit Card Card # _____ Expiration _____ / _____
Name on Card: _____ Visa Master card Discover

Amount Enclosed _____

Please note: if you need to change, correct, or check on your membership, please call Jackie Smith at 561-722-2479

FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS-FAPMS 2008 MEETING

The 32nd annual training conference will be at the Hilton Daytona Beach Oceanfront Resort on October 13 through October 16, 2008. You don't have to be a professional speaker in order to give a paper! We are looking for papers on herbicide application and mechanical techniques (aquatic and right-of-way), mixtures, innovative control measures, re-vegetation projects, new plant introductions, research projects, etc. Remember, FAPMS was formed for the applicator and the annual training conference is a chance to share what you have learned with other members. Each year the Society awards all field applicators that present a paper with a plaque. This year the field applicators presenting the top three papers will receive a plaque and cash awards. First place will receive a \$300 cash award, second place will receive a \$200 cash award, and third place will receive a \$100 cash award.

NOTE: DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS July 1, 2008

Title: _____

Author(s)*: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

*If more than one author, please circle the name of the person who will present the paper at the meeting.

Title of Talk & Brief Abstract: _____

Biography of Presenter: _____

NOTE: Length of talk is usually 15 minutes. If your presentation is shorter or longer, please indicate the length of talk: _____ Minutes

Check as appropriate: Applicator paper _____ ; Computer (Power Point) _____ ; Slide projector _____ ; Overhead projector (transparencies) _____ ; Video projector _____ ; Other needs _____

The preferred format for talks will be with Power Point. Anyone needing assistance with the preparation of a PowerPoint Presentation may contact

Chance DuBose,

602 N Palm Ave

Palatka, FL 32177

Phone (386) 328-2737 or email: Chance.W.Dubose@saj02.usace.army.mil

Submit this form to: Tim Harris

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Palatka, FL 32177

Or fax to (386) 328-1298 or email: tim.t.harris@saj02.usace.army.mil

Paul C. Myers Applicator Dependent Scholarship

The Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society Scholarship and Research Foundation, Inc. announces the availability of the following scholarship:

Paul C. Myers Applicator Dependent Scholarship-Provides up to \$1500 to deserving dependents of FAPMS members. The scholarship is based on:

1. The applicant's parent or guardian having been a FAPMS member in good standing for at least three consecutive years.
2. Financial need. Will be determined based on need and the expected family contribution amount indicated on the processing results of a Student Aid Report (OMB No. 1845-0008). This report is available by completing a Free Application for Federal Student Aid Federal Form.
3. The applicant being a high school senior entering college the next academic year, attending junior college, or being a college undergraduate.
4. An evaluation of the quality of the application and required essay by the the scholarship selection committee composed of three FAPMS members and four FAPMS Scholarship and Research Foundation members.

Submission of a completed application by June 1, 2008.

FLORIDA AQUATIC PLANT MANAGEMENT SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP & RESEARCH FOUNDATION, INC

Paul C. Myers
Applicator Dependent Scholarship

Paul C. Myers Applicator Dependent Scholarship Application

FY 2007-2008

Application should be completed jointly by FAPMS member and dependent (applicant)

APPLICANT (DEPENDENT'S) INFORMATION

Applicants Name:

Phone:

Address:

While attending college, will you live with (check one):

Your parent(s), guardian or other family member or an apartment or dorm

Will you incur housing expenses? Yes No

Sources and amount of funds available for year in which scholarship is requested:

Yes / No	Estimated Amount	Yes / No	Estimated Amount
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Parents	Scholarships
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Family	Student Loans
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Savings	Other
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Employment Applicants annual income?

If married, is your spouse employed? Yes / No Spouse's annual income?

Do you have any dependents? Yes / No If so, please indicate their ages:

How will you pay for college expenses if this scholarship is not received?

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION APPLICANT IS CURRENTLY ATTENDING*

Name of School:

Address:

Current academic classification (check one)

High school senior

College freshman

Sophomore

Junior

*Attach copy of transcript for last quarter or semester

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION IN WHICH ENROLLMENT IS DESIRED

Name of School

Beginning Semester

Address

Degree sought

Expected date of completion

Estimated costs per semester:

Tuition / fees

Books

Housing

Living Expenses

FAPMS MEMBER INFORMATION (PARENT / GUARDIAN)

Name:

Phone No.

Address:

Relationship to applicant:

Are you currently and have you been a member of FAPMS for the last three years?

Yes / No

Employer:

Job Title

Work Phone:

Home Phone:

Annual Salary:

Spouse's Salary:

Other Income:

Total Income:

Number of other dependents:

Number of dependents in College:

Total amount of financial assistance to other dependents attending college this coming year:

ESSAY

As part of the application process, each applicant is required to write and submit a 1-2 page typed essay on why they have chosen a particular course of study or career path and their expectations of working in their chosen fields. If you have not yet chosen a major, please discuss the areas you are considering and your expectations of working in these fields

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CERTIFICATION

The information provided above is correct to the best of my knowledge:

Applicant (dependent signature)

Date

FAPMS Member Signature Date

APPLICATION SUBMITTAL

The application deadline for FY 2007 - 2008 is June 1, 2008. Return completed application and essay to:

Donald W. Doggett

P. O. Box 60005

Fort Myers, FL 33906

Applications will be reviewed by a seven (7) member selection committee comprised of FAPMS and FAPMS

Scholarship Foundation members. Awards will be based on financial need, and the quality of the application

and required essay. **Please note: Applications MUST include a copy of the U.S. Department of Education's**

Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) based on the Federal Student Aid form.

Good Luck!

2008 Scholarship Award

The South Carolina Aquatic Plant Management Society is seeking applications for its annual Phillip M. Fields Scholarship Award. The Society intends to award a \$3,000 scholarship to the successful applicant in the fall of 2008. Scholarship funds may be used by the recipient to cover costs associated with education and research expenses. Eligible applicants must be enrolled as full time undergraduate or graduate students in an accredited college or university in the United States. Course work or research in an area related to the biology, ecology or management of aquatic plants in the Southeast is also required.

Applications must be received no later than May 1, 2008 and will be evaluated on the basis of relevant test scores (ACT, SAT, GRE, etc.), high school and/or college grades, quality and relevance of course work or research, a proposed budget, information obtained from references, and other related considerations. Other factors being equal, preference will be given to applicants enrolled in Southeastern and South Carolina academic institutions. The successful applicant may be requested to present an oral report on research activities at the annual meeting of the Society. Application forms and additional information are available at:

<http://scapms.org/scapmsscholarship.htm>

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Committee Chair Change

Stephen Montgomery will assume the role of Merchandise committee chair on behalf Jennifer Bustos-Fitz.

Stephen Montgomery earned a B.S. in Marine Biology from Richard Stockton College of New Jersey in 1994. He worked with the Rutgers Marine Field Station as a field technician and taught high school Biology and environmental science for 5 years in Pennsylvania. He moved to South Florida in 2000 and has worked with Allstate Resource Management for the last 8 years as an applicator, biologist and regional mitigation supervisor.



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