

Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society

2011 - 1st Quarter Newsletter

A Note from Your President

First I would like to express my appreciation to the Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society (FAPMS) membership for allowing me to serve as president this year. I consider it a great honor and hope we can have a meaningful, productive year with the FAPMS endeavors.

I also wish to express my appreciation to the Board of Directors, and to the current slate of officers. They contribute countless hours behind the scenes to the Society's work and I cannot thank them enough. We should not take them for granted.

The FAPMS Board of Directors has undertaken some worthy initiatives which will reported at some point in this newsletter. Additionally there is one goal to which I would like our members to commit to now. After the Society took over management of the Aquatics magazine two years ago, we have only had enough articles submitted to publish two issues per year. Traditionally we have had four issues per year. Previously the Board of Directors did approve publishing two or more issues per year, so the two issues per year meets the Board's directives. However there are enough aquatic weed and aquatic plant activities and interests that our members and associates are involved in that we should have enough material to publish again four issues per year. So I would like to challenge our current members to submit quality articles and help us get Aquatics back on a strong four-issue-per-year footing. Please contact our editorial staff, Tina Bond and Karen Brown if you have any questions or for assistance and guidance on article submission. Please let a Board member or an officer know if you have any questions or concerns about any issue.

Vernon Vandiver, Jr., President, FAPMS

Fapms 2011 1St Quarter Minutes

Old Business: Better input and timely response from the board, Aquatics magazine articles, mailing list, Awards chair person.

New Business:

Adjourn: President Vernon called the meting to order at 10:05, Stephanie Walters took role and a quorum was declared. President Vernon asked if there were any changes, deletions, omission for the 4th qtr. minutes, no changes noted. Jerry Renney made a motion to approve the 4th qtr. minutes; Jennifer Myers seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was called to order at 2:15 and a guorum was declared.

Attendees: Karen Brown, Jeff Schardt, Jeremy Crossland, Stephanie Walters, Vernon Vandiver, Keshav Setaram, Jerry Renney, Mike Bodle, Jennifer Myers, James McLaughlin, Ed Harris, Dharmen Setaram, Don Doggett, Mike Hulon, Tina Bond, John Gardner, Bill Torres, Bill Moore, Stacia Hetrick.

Correspondence:

Treasurer's Report: Jennifer Myers discussed with the board the current financials

Secretary's Report: Discussion of committee chair... Awards, Vendor, and asked the board to please respond in a timelier manner on their duties and actions needed for the newsletter.

Editor's Report: The next issue of Aquatics is ready to go, we're just waiting on the advertisements to get finalized. Tina asked about inputting a memoriam for Andy Price, and will also add information about the upcoming annual meeting, as well Scholarship information. Mike Hulon asked if the call for papers could be added to Aquatics magazine.

Karen Brown asked for pictures from the annual meeting to place in Aquatics magazine, along with the listing of awards winners. Vernon addressed with the board to urge fellow members and colleagues for articles to be used for Aquatics magazine. Vernon reviewed with the board the billing of the magazine. Mike Bodle agreed to take on the advertising of Aquatics Magazine. Karen asked if the revision for the wording of "full year"

Ed Harris made a motion to approve the officers reports, Jennifer Myers seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously

Auditing: Keshav reported that the ledgers for 2009 and 2010 will be audited by an outside auditing source, and reported the fee could be around \$600, and will report to the board.

Awards: Scott Glasscock ... Nominee

By-Laws: Stephanie asked for the officers, board members, and committee chairs to review the By Laws and SOP's and report them back to Stephanie Mc Carty and Mike Bodle by the second qrt meeting

Stephanie noted the Mailing list change to possibly be noted as the responsibility of the treasurer to be added to the SOP.

Financial: No report Submitted

Governmental Affairs: Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society

Government Affairs Committee Report

January 26, 2011

Submitted by: Jeff Schardt

EPA is moving forward with the .. * general permit allowed, fisc. Acct. and reg. form, freeze is put on for new rules, NPDES .rule is DEP's top priority to pass through regulatory, by late Feb. optimistic if they can get through, ... DEP

sent draft for FL, to reg 4 responded back as no comment ...could possibly be approved. Go to the website to view what the current or proposed rules are. Jerry Renney asked if there was anyone to contact to help assist in the process, Jeff proposed someone from FAPMS talking to Mary Smith with DEP, and stress the fact of the impact the rule would have on applicators jobs.

The Department of Environmental Protection held 5 public meetings from October 20-29, 2010 to discuss the draft pesticide generic permit under NPDES. Approximately 255 people attended these meetings – mostly from mosquito control programs although aquatic plant control was well represented. DEP compiled comments from these meetings, made revisions to the draft and forwarded the draft to the EPA Region 4 office in Atlanta for their review and comment. DEP has not posted the revisions to the draft pending EPA comments.

The web site to refer to for information on NPDES and pesticide use is: http://www.dep.state.fl.us/water/rules_dr.htm#waste. Scroll down to Rule #62-621.300(8). In the 3rd column you will see the Draft Rule and Draft Generic Permit. The person to contact with questions at DEP is Mary K. Smith – mary.k.smith@dep.state.fl.us – 850-245-8591. The FL regulations are being written to ensure that all pesticide applications are covered under the general permit. Under the current thinking in this draft, people do not have to apply for this coverage. Only large entities need to file a Notice of Intent (NOI) with DEP and the filing seems to be streamlined and straightforward. People should read the draft pesticide general permit, especially the table on page 3 to see if they are included among the large government entities that will need to file an NOI. Currently there are no plans to require private companies to file an NOI. There are some record keeping requirements for all operators and these are discussed in Part IV of the draft generic permit.

Historical: John reviewed with the board the duties of the Historical committee, to consist of, minutes, programs, magazine, newsletter, and meeting photos. Keshav asked that an external hard drive be purchased to keep the documents.

Local Arrangements hotels that have submitted proposal for 2014 -2016. There are some very rates that we can take advantage off if we want to commit now. The rates are expected to go up as the economy improves. The Daytona Beach Hilton will not submit a proposal unless we are willing to consider rates near \$135.00 for these years. I may also have another hotel in Orlando - the Wyndham on International Drive that I believe is willing to offer \$89.00 a night.

Stephanie Walters addressed the need to have everyone do their part to help plan and follow up the annual meeting.

Mailing List: Previously discussed to be added to treasurer's responsibility

Membership & Publicity: Vernon discussed with the board on putting together a mass mailing, and noted there were over 4500 potential applicators to reach out. Karen Brown suggested joint advertising with Wildland Weeds magazine, and will gather information to present to the board. Jerry discussed with the board the current membership and partnering with Stacia for Educational Outreach. Jerry also asked the board for ideas to grow the current membership.

Merchandising: Over the next week or so I'll do another inventory of what little bit of old merchandise we have left. I will start looking at some items for next year's give away and some shirt ideas for the next meeting. If anyone has any suggestions just send them along to me in Email. Monty

Nominating / Keshav spoke on Mike's behalf, Mike is working on gathering a nomination slate for the 2012 board, and asked if there were any suggestions to please email them to Mike.

Past President Advisory: Stephanie McCarty asked if this should be omitted from the By Laws, and if the wording needed to be changed to reflect the Scholarship foundation.

Program: Program Report: Reward for early turn in applicator papers, possibly a duck or raffle ticket..and if there is space for the duck race. Don approved the use of "free" ducks for early paper turn in.

If anyone has an idea for a Program Topic, please email me.

Just a few thoughts from the Program Committee.

The earlier we get papers in the better so we can qualify for all the CEU's possible.

Here is an idea - What if we gave our two free ducks (one in each race) for people that turned in their papers by the end of May and one duck if they turn in their paper by the end of June. NO DUCKS AFTER June 30th. I will volunteer to mark the papers down as they come in for the Duck RaceThis is just a thought. Of course we will need Don's input here.

Resource Demonstration: No report submitted

Scholarship: For the Foundation's Silver Anniversary, fundraising reached a new high. Receipts for the Duckrace, Silent Auction, Raffle tickets, and the Annual Membership contribution totaled \$10,134.99. The delegates and sponsors for the 2010 Annual Meeting were very generous with their support and it is greatly appreciated. These dollars will be converted to scholarships to assist our membership.

The current officers of the Foundation, besides myself, are: Keshav Setaram, Vice-President; Joe Joyce, Sec./Treas.; P.J. Myers, Mike Netherland, and Steve Weinsier-- Directors at Large.

The Foundation members, who include all Past-Presidents of FAPMS, were well-represented at the 2010 Annual Meeting as nineteen were present to help celebrate our twenty-fifth year. I look forward to seeing everyone on Wednesday!

Vendor: Melissa Barron.. Nominee

Old Business: Education and outreach.

The board voted on adding a special ad - hoc committee for Educational Outreach

Don Doggett made a motion to approve Stacia Hetrick to head the Educational Outreach committee, Jennifer Myers
seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

New Business: Vernon discussed with the board on distribution of the mailing list. Ed Harris proposed a list serve, and will work with Karen Brown. It will be required for the board to meet the last day of the annual meeting to submit reports and feedback from the meeting,

Jerry Renney made a motion to approve the committee reports, Keshav Setaram seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

Site and Time Selection for next meeting

The second gtr. meeting is scheduled for Tuesday March 29th, 2011 at the SFWMD St. Cloud Field Station. 10:00 A.M.

The third qtr. meeting will be held Thursday July 14th, 2011 at the SFWMD St. Cloud Field Station, 10:00 A.M.

Adjourn: The 1st qtr. 2011 BOD meeting, Jerry Renney made a motion to adjourn at 12:53 pm; Ed Harris seconded the motion

	Upcoming N	leetings	
Mar 28-30	Western APMS	Denver, CO	www.wapms.org
May 3-5	Joint meeting KY Invasive Species Conf. & 13th annual SE EPPC conference		www.se-eppc.org
May 3-5	Aquatic Weed Short Course	Coral Springs, FL http:	//conference.ifas.ufl.edu
May 17th -20th	FLEPPC	Maitland, FL	www.fleppc.org
Jul 24-27	Aquatic Plant Management Society 51st Annual Meeting	Baltimore, MD	www.apms.org

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.
- 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.
- 5. Submission of a completed application by June 1, 2010.
- 6. For more information or application forms, contact Don Doggett at 239-848-6774 or visit the Society's website: www.fapms.org

Job listings

**For further details, please visit our website WWW.FAPMS.ORG

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Rate of Pay and Application
Directions: Pay range is \$36,309 \$58,071 annually commensurate with
experience. Position is open until
filled.
Send application to: Lake County
Water Authority, 107 N. Lake Ave.,

Tavares, FL 32778.

Sr. Environmental SpecialistLake Management Program Orange County Environmental Protection Division

To Apply:
https://mycareers.ocfl.net/
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Application Deadline
Open: February 10, 2011
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Salary - From \$20.77
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Environmental Operations Specialist

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Aquatic Technician

(posted Jan 27)
Availability: Immediate

* Monday - Friday

* 7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Office: Ft. Myers/Southwest Florida
Please send resume to:
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Availability: Immediate

* Monday - Friday

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FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS-FAPMS 2011 MEETING

The 35th annual training conference will be at the World Golf Village, St. Augustine, FL. You don't have to be a professional speaker in order to present 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 31, 2011 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 20 minutes. If your presentation is shorter or longer, please indicate the Minutes length of talk: Check as appropriate: Applicator paper_____; Computer (Power Point)_ The accepted format for presentations is PowerPoint. If your presentation is in a different format please contact Mike Hulon to see whether or not it will be compatible with the computers and projector. Mike Hulon: P.O. Box 4034 • Lake Wales, FI 33859 Phone: (863) 528-7721 or email: texasaguaticmh@aol.com Submit this form to: Mike Hulon P.O. Box 4034 Lake Wales, FI 33859 Or fax to (863) 696-2922 or email: texasaguaticmh@aol.com

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Paul C. Myers Applicator Dependent Scholarship Application

FY 2011-2012

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 oth	ner family mem	ber or	an apartment or dorm			
Will you incur housing expenses?	Yes	No				
Sources and amount of funds av	ailable for year	in which scholarship is requeste	d:			
Yes / No Estimated Amoun	ıt_	Yes / No	Estimated Amount			
Parents	Sc	holarships				
Family	Stud	ent Loans				
Savings	_	Other				
Employment	Applicants	annual income?				
If married, is your spouse employed?	Yes / No	Spouse's annual income?				
Do you have any dependents? Yes / No	o	If so, please indicate their ages:				
How will you pay for college expenses if this scholars	ship is not rece	ived?				
EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIO	N APPLICANT	IS CURRENTLY ATTENDING*				
Name of School:						
Address:						
Current academic classification (check one)						
High school senior College *Attach copy of transcript for last quarter or semester	freshman	Sophomore	Junior			

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 MEN	MBER INFORMATION (PARENT / GUARDIAN)		
Name:	Phone No.		
Address:			
Relationship to applicant:			
Are you currently and have you been a men	nber 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 expections of working in these fields

CERTIFICATION

nformation 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 2011 - 2012 is June 1, 2011. Return completed application and essary to:

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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!

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