

Annual Meeting/Awards Committee

Chair: Rusty Garrison

Tuesday, March 05, 2019

Attendees: 5

Agenda:

Call to Order/Introductions- Rusty Garrison

Annual Meeting

- 2019- Sept 22-25- St. Paul. MN
 - Evening events are being coordinated
- 2020- Sacramento, CA
- 2021- Providence, RI
- 2022- looking at having it in Canada
 - Calgary or Montreal
 - Montreal is a better deal at this point with the dates we want; they are giving us a 25K incentive (might offset threat of losing money)
 - If in Calgary we may need to have it in August of move to 2023
 - An Exec Comm item → they will decide this week (action item)
 - We'll have some direction from ExCom and can then look in to next steps
 - Overall, Committee would prefer Calgary since we have participation from that Canadian province, but it might not work due to schedule/cost. Cindy will keep us updated.
 - Committee will support Montreal if it makes best sense RE: financial/schedule

Annual Awards

- Look at changing when awards given → during cocktail hour??? → 2020 Annual Meeting
- General agreement to move toward this direction.
- Reminder- we have 2 new awards this year
 - Stephen Kellert Award
 - Gary Taylor Award
- Nomination period will open next week
 - Patty will update website and draft email to go to Directors and Committee Chairs stating opening of nomination period
 - Nominations due by COB July 1, 2019
 - Doodle poll will be sent to select a date to review and make selection of award winners in the summer
 - Law Enforcement committee will send their recommendation for the Conservation Law Enforcement Award to the AFWA Awards Committee

- Patty will look to have a private section of the AFWA Awards webpage to host the nominations for the awards (instead of Dropbox)

Work Plan Review/Updates

- Need to look at recruiting a new committee member.
- Prefer someone from the Midwest or Southwest region
- Rusty will talk with Ron and Ed about possible recruits

Updates/Other Items

- Rusty will be the Emcee at this year's AFWA Annual Meeting