

**MNPS Board Meeting  
Camp Needmore, Ekalaka Hills, MT  
June 17, 2011**

Attendees: Dave Hanna, Peter Lesica, Beth Madden, Patrick Plantenberg, Bob Person, H. Wayne Phillips, Cathie Jean, Karen Porter, Kathy Settevendemie, Catherine Cain, Anne Garde, Doug Smith, Karen Shelly, Gretchen Rupp, and Susan Winslow

**President's Report – Dave Hanna**

Dave welcomed everyone and introductions followed.

**2012 Annual Meeting Update – Peter Lesica for the Clark Fork Chapter**

The meeting will be held at the Lubrect Forest and will be in the Valley of the Knobs the last weekend in June.

**Past President's Report- Dave Hanna**

Susan Winslow will continue in her "past" capacity until Dave becomes Past-President but will no longer be traveling to Board meetings.

**Vice President's Report – Karen Shelly**

No big changes since last meeting.

**Secretary's Report – Patrick Plantenberg**

Patrick circulated the address list for updates. The Board approved the revised 2011 Spring Board Meeting minutes. Proposed by-law changes with Dave Hanna's input were approved by the Board and will be voted on by the General Membership tomorrow evening. Board Member Duties and Record retention time will be finalized at the Fall Board meeting.

**Treasurer's Report – Jenny Tollefson**

No big changes from the spring meeting.

**Membership Committee Report – Cathie Jean**

We currently have 609 memberships including families. Only 10 electronic newsletters were rejected. The renewal card must have electronic options added to it. 55 returns on field trip guide. 153 electronic newsletters went out. 158 paper copies. 77 have paid with PayPal.

**Newsletter Editor Report-Caroline Kurtz**

Lisa will be doing the June edition.

**Webmaster's Report – Bob Person**

9,000 visits to the website in six months. 46% bounce rate. 35% to home page. Native plant landscaping #2; Clark Fork #3; Annual Meeting #4, Flathead Chapter #5. Bob will archive old *Kelseyas*. More native plant articles needed.

## **Ad Hoc Committee Reports**

### **Nominations**

None

### **Awards**

None

## **Standing Committee Reports**

### **Conservation Committee – Peter Lesica**

The 2012 Rare Plant Conference in February will be on climate change effects and will be in Helena. The morning session will be on effects. The afternoon session will be on “What can we do?” The second day will include ranks and threat assessment and IPAs. There will be an IPA teleconference in February. Karen summarized the minutes of the community meeting. The groups need to get together and accept criteria. Dave will work on it before the Fall 2011 meeting. Lots of work being done in Europe.

### **Landscape/Revegetation/Publications – Kathy Settevendemie**

No brochures yet.

### **Small Grants Committee –**

No news

**Chapter and Areas-at-Large reports tomorrow night at annual meeting.**

### **Other Business**

Peter gave an update on the new Flora of Montana. The U of Washington Press may publish the book. They want \$15,000 up front and they will cost \$45/copy. MNPS to handle the money transactions-Board approved with Peter abstaining.

### **Next meeting – Dave Hanna**

Dave will send out a Doodle Poll.

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