



Nebraska Section SRM Council Meeting
August 4, 2016
North Platte USDA Service Center, Conference Room

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 am by Karla Jenkins.

New Business:

Insurance coverage was discussed. The new insurance coverage went into effect in May. We had issues finding new coverage. We sent in applications to several companies and two companies had similar coverage. One was chosen, but further discussion regarding covering rising insurance costs was discussed. Kristin Dickinson discussed the possibility of Range Judging covering part of this cost, possibly 1/3rd of the expense using registration fees from Range Judging. She will discuss this with the Range Judging Committee.

Committee Reports:

2016 Annual Meeting: Jeff Nichols provided a report and is planning the 2016 meeting in Gothenburg. A draft brochure is ready and plans are coming together. He is working to come up with ideas to get increased attendance from area ranchers and producers. He discussed the possibility of having a \$15.00-\$20.00 registration fee for producers looking to attend just the afternoon session on Wednesday. There will be a separate flyer for area producers available at the upcoming Grazing Conference in Kearney. The tour on Friday will be at the Sundstrom Ranch covering cedar control and grazing strategies and practices.

If anyone has any suggestions on increasing attendance and participation please let Jeff know. He will also work on getting the information out to educators and local extension offices. Registration for the meeting is due on Oct. 3rd. Hotel reservations are due Oct. 5th.

Newsletter: Bob Broweleit has offered to help Sheila Luoma with the newsletter. They would like to have the newsletter out by Aug. 22nd. Newsletter is a critical part of membership. The possibility of having someone such as Dorrene BrownButterfield put together the newsletter on a more regular basis was discussed.

Nominations: Anthony Perlinski suggested Aaron Field, the Chadron State College Range Ecologist

Awards: No report.

Range Camp: No report

HSYF: No report

Range Judging: No report

Envirothon: No report

Scholarship: No report

Membership: No report

Producer Affiliations: No report

Historian: No report

Investments: No report

Student Activities: No report

Anthony Perlinski moved to adjourn. Jeff seconded the motion. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,
Angie Petersen