

**Oyster Task Force Meeting
Monday, November 7, 2016
UNO Advanced Technology Center
2021 Lakeshore Dr., STE 210, 1PM**

Allison West called roll:

Voting Members Present:

Wilbert Collins
Dan Coulon
Jakov Jurisic
Mitch Jurisich
Brad Robin
Brandt Lafrance
John Tesvich
Sam Slavich
Peter Vujnovich
Willie Daisy

Voting Members Absent:

Shane Bagala
Leo Dyson
Byron Encalade
Al Sunseri

Non-Voting Members Present:

Mark Schexnayder
Adam Young in for Chad Hebert
Frank Cole in for Karl Morgan

Non-Voting Members Absent:

Lance Broussard

Motion to approve the September 27, 2016 meeting minutes by Peter Vujnovich, 2nd Wilbert Collins. Motion passes.

Motion to approve the November 11, 2016 agenda by Wilbert Collins, 2nd by Jakov Jurisic. Motion passes.

Fund Balance: \$414, 077, Budget Balance: \$306, 750

Motion to approve the financial report by Jakov Jurisich, 2nd by Wilbert Collins. Motion passes.

Public Private Oyster Seed Grounds Subcommittee:

No Report

Enforcement Report:

Adam Young provided the TF with an enforcement update

Legislative Committee:

No Report

Research Committee:

No Report

Coastal Restoration:

Dan Coulon presented the coastal restoration committee update

Sam Slavich made a motion to compose a letter to send to CRPA and request for operational plan decision and also contact other industry leaders and inform them of the action being taken, copying other fisheries TF's, 2nd Jakov Jurisic. Motion carries.

Marketing Committee:

February 9, 2017- LA Alive DC Event

Health Committee:

No Report

Sustainability Report:

No Report

Professionalism Report:

Darren Bourgeois addressed the TF with a professionalism update

Suggested setting up a subcommittee to form new rules for new entrants

Sent item to Public Private Seed Grounds committee for further discussion and rule development

Aquaculture Report:

Dr. John Lopez provided the TF with an aquaculture update

Subcommittee Recommendations:

1. Amend AOC Act via legislation to include culture on private lands
2. Support legislation to change the AOC Act to eliminate the requirement of a sustainability map
3. LDWF review efficacy of AOC permitting for streamlining the use of on oyster leases
4. OTF should support the concept of marine enterprise zones and their expansion when desired

Motion to accept the committee recommendations by Peter Vujnovich, 2nd by Brad Robin. Motion carries.

Will be looking into the AOC Act and continue working on legislation

New Business:

Cole Garrett addressed the TF to review and consider recommendations for proposed oyster lease rules

1. Update the application process to be consistent with new laws
2. Determining access channels and subordination
3. Dual claims leasing
4. Provide preferential rights and lifting the moratorium

Thomas Soniat addressed the TF with continued funding of the Summer Dermo Study

Jakov Jurisic made a motion to approve funding the 2017 Summer Dermo study for \$6871, 2nd by Peter Vujnovich. Motion carries.

Steve Beck addressed the TF with a season update

Set the next OTF meeting for 1pm on December 12 in New Orleans

Motion to adjourn by Wilbert Collins, 2nd by Peter Vujnovich.

Meeting adjourned at 2:49pm