

**Regular Meeting of the Washington State Noxious Weed Control Board  
12:00 p.m. March 11, 2015**

**Online/Teleconferenced meeting via WebEx and hosted at Campbell's Resort in Chelan, WA**

Handouts provided for meeting:

- Agenda for meeting
- Draft meeting minutes for January 2015 board meeting
- Office reports for January and February
- Budget summary spreadsheet for January

**Meeting called to order at 12:20 p.m. by Chairman Tony Stadelman**

**ROLL CALL:**

*Board Members Present*

Tony Stadelman	Commissioner Jim Detro	
Sarah Cooke (WebEx)	Butch Klaveano (WebEx)	
Brad White	Bill Agosta (WebEx)	
Dirk Veleke		

*Others present:*

Alison Halpern, WA State Noxious Weed Control Board  
Greg Haubrich, Washington State Department of Agriculture (WebEx)  
Marty Hudson, Klickitat County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Emily Stevenson, Skamania Noxious Weed Control Board  
Todd Harris, Franklin County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Shane Frolich, Snohomish Co. Dept of Public Works Supervisor  
Gerry Saw, Snohomish County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Sonny Gohrman, Snohomish County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Marilyn Sielaff, Adams County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Eric Bell, Adams County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Craig Hintz, Grant County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Cindy Jennings, Stevens County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Sue Winterowd, Stevens County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Rochelle Osborne, Ferry County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Mary Fee, King County Noxious Weed Control Program  
Trish MacLaren, King County Noxious Weed Control Program  
Karen Peterson, King County Noxious Weed Control Program  
Roy Brunskill, King County Noxious Weed Control Program  
Dave Maiden, Walla Walla County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Greg Haubrich, WSDA  
Jeff Knutson, Yakima County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Marc Eylar, Kittitas County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Todd Davis, Kittitas County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Dana Coggon, Kitsap County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Dick Jacobson, Yakima County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Anna Lyon, Okanogan County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Vic Reeve, Franklin County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Betsy Crysel, Franklin County Noxious Weed Control Board

**BOARD MEMBER UPDATES:**

- Dirk Veleke had been in Hawaii and noted that there were 35K acres of sugar cane fields on Maui that will soon be nothing but weeds.

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Board reviewed the draft meeting minutes for January.

<b>VOTE</b>	Jim DeTro	Moved to accept the minutes for the January 2015 Board meeting
	Dirk Veleke	Seconded the motion
	The Board	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

**OFFICE REPORTS**

The Board reviewed the office reports for January and February. Alison mentioned that:

- Wendy was continuously working to update several written findings.
- Alison had written up and sent out all the Class A eradication grants.
- The NW Flower and Garden Show was a huge success that wouldn't have been possible without all the help from county weed board members, coordinators, and staff who worked at the booth. Sarah Cooke and Greg Haubrich had even come to help during the weekend. People loved the seed packets.
- She had been making good progress on her dissertation using leave time.
- She had managed to get the 2015 noxious weed list printed out.
- Italian arum was driving a lot of traffic to the weed board office. A lot of landowners were finding it and seeking a way to control it. Alison wanted to have a brochure made for it.
- The seed packets continued to be a big success.

**WSDA UPDATE**

Greg Haubrich noted that the Pest Program was transitioning between administrative assistants, so there was a delay in contracts.

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:**

2SHB 1654, the bee forage and noxious weeds bill was still active. It had passed out of the House and needed to pass out of the Senate. Alison had testified in support of the bill at two committee hearings and had brought committee members samples of the seed packets and brochures. Bee puns were appreciated.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Sarah provided the report. There was a net balance of about \$19K, which did not include payments from county weed boards and others who had purchased seed packets. When those reimbursements posted, there would be about \$24K of unspent money that was offset by expenditures including: \$2K for Ray Ledgerwood's workshop, \$1K extra towards Class A eradication funding, \$2K towards more seed packets, \$9K already allocated for printing.

**COORDINATOR'S FORUM**

Vic Reeve asked about how the success of the seed packet distribution would be measured and whether the success could be monitored with something like Survey Monkey. He noted that in Pasco they were planting non-invasive, pollinator-friendly species near their signs. Alison replied that it would be difficult to quantify how many seed packets actually got planted, but that the emphasis of this campaign was education. Everyone who took a seed packet and bee brochure could learn about bee-friendly noxious weed control and the important of

pollinator forage and could then act on that new knowledge by planting seeds. Tony mentioned that people might want to contact Ed Hume Seeds about specific species that they liked. For example, crimson clover ion bloom produced beautiful red fields.

**MEETING EVALUATION**

The Board decided to hold its May 21 meeting in Pomeroy.

<b>VOTE</b>	Butch Klaveano	Motioned to adjourn the meeting.
	Sarah Cooke	Seconded the motion.
	The Board	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 12:56 p.m.

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Tony Stadelman, Chairman  
Washington State Noxious Weed Control Board  
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Dirk Veleke, Secretary  
Washington State Noxious Weed Control

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Alison Halpern, Executive Secretary  
Washington State Noxious Weed Control Board