

All Ohio Chapter
Executive Council Meeting
Minutes of
April 3, 2009

Participants: Dave Libben, Michelle Lohstroh, Lloyd Owens, Jon Rausch, and Rick Wilson

Meeting called to order by President Dave Libben at 1 pm.

The **Treasurer's report** was given by Rick Wilson (Quorum not present for approval.)

It was decided by consensus that the current CDs, which mature on April 5, should be moved to 18 month CDs [*slightly* higher interest - 0.75% instead of 0.2%].

Student Chapter (TerrAqua Club) update by Dave Libben from Mary Ann Core:

The student chapter will be working with Mary Ann and Franklin County on the Wolf Creek Dam, doing riparian plantings after the dam is removed. There is also a possible service project with the Dominican Sisters.

Newsletter: Chris Coulon already has a member profile; an obituary; an item from Pres. Libben (promised). Need a technical article (suggested topics were an article related to the summer meeting topic or something on cover crops), International Conference reminder, Summer Meeting date/place/planned topics (Michelle Lohstroh will write), and report on the ENC region leadership conference.

Membership: Request that the Membership Committee Chair send the names and email addresses of new members (received from Ankeny on a monthly spreadsheet) to Brent Sohngen (sohngen.1@osu.edu) to add to the AOC listserv (should begin with January 2009). The listserv is about the only way that the AOC communicates with its members.

A review of the **ENC SWCS Leadership Workshop** was given by Lloyd Owens, Dave Libben, and Rick Wilson – all of whom attended.

Summer Meeting:

Date: August 14 at

Place: Malabar Farm

Topic: Sustainable Ag/organic farming/locally grown foods

Possible contacts – Mike Hogan, OSU Extension and Ben Stinner Summit planners – Jon Rausch will make contacts

Tours: Malabar Farm and possibly nearby farms that produce food for Malabar Farm

Another topic (moved to Winter Meeting):

Implementation of watershed action plans

- list BMPs, target watershed needs for WS coordinators and local planners
- there are “grass-roots” producer initiatives in Iowa to address water quality issues – perhaps get a speaker from there to relate their experiences and progress

International Conference Dearborn, MI

- Good topics
- Good training sessions
- Film “Dirt” (from Sundance Festival) to be screened
- A lot of in-depth symposia

Discussed whether the AOC would submit a resolution to the House of Delegates to discuss a name change for the Society – Lloyd Owens will draft something and route it to the AOC Executive Council (due April 28)

Meeting adjourned at 2 pm.

Next teleconference: Friday, May 1 at 1 pm.