

## Western Regional Panel Executive Committee Monthly Conference Call Minutes

Thursday, October 14, 2010, 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM

**Participants:** Eileen Ryce, Karen McDowell, Stephen Phillips, Elizabeth Brown, Kevin Anderson, Diane Cooper, John Wullschleger, Connie Young-Dubovsky,

### Items discussed:

#### 1) Annual meeting:

- a. WRP annual meeting was held in Boise, Idaho, October 6-7, 2010 with a field trip on Oct. 8th.
- b. Comments on meeting:
  - i. People like the new format and like not having the member reports.
  - ii. Enjoyed the discussion time.
- c. Only negative comments were:
  - i. Disappointed that no recommendations from State meeting. Technically wasn't part of Panel meeting.
  - ii. Disappointed NPS not there.
  - iii. Hard to do working groups on last day.
  - iv. People would have liked to have had more time for more casual discussion—need a "social."
- d. John W. trying to set up webinar on Privacy Act and boat inspections at Lake Mead and findings of solicitor. Whole panel and anyone else can participate. Continue discussion from Panel meeting since many people couldn't make it due to flood.

#### 2) Membership

##### a. Candidates for Chair and Vice-Chair

- i. Karen McDowell only member running for Chair.
- ii. Stephen Phillips only member running for Vice-Chair.

- Discussion on duties of Vice-Chair—usually just backup.
- Talked about Elizabeth Brown as possible Vice-Chair backup but she will be out for at least two months so may not be practical this year.

##### b. Elections

- i. Karen McDowell elected unanimously to position of Chair.
- ii. Stephen Phillips elected unanimously to position of Vice-Chair.

- Eileen expressed appreciation for Karen's help as Vice Chair.
- Everyone thanked Eileen for her great work as Chair.

#### 3) ANSTF Meeting – Nov. 3-4

Karen and Eileen will be attending and then Eileen will step down but will still be an Ex-Comm member.

4 recommendations (See attachment)

**Next Call:** Next call is on **November 10<sup>th</sup>** (*note this is a Wednesday because of Veteran's Day on the 11<sup>th</sup>*) at 9 am Pacific, 10 am Mountain, 11 am Central.