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# 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual APB Conference

## 2022 Meeting Notes

*Ongoing support provided by Sarah Ball with Edison Electric Institute (EEI)*

***Location – Campbell’s Resort; Chelan, WA  
(October 26-28, 2022)***

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### **Attendees**

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>
1	Maggie David	PG&E
2	Matt Peter	Tacoma Power
3	Rachael Poston	SCE
4	Andrew Talabere	EWEB
5	Benjamin Caviness	Tacoma Power
6	Gregg Garnett	no affiliation
7	Rich Grost	PacifiCorp
8	Erik Lesko	PacifiCorp
9	Tera Stoddard	CA Dept of Water Resources
10	Cory Starr	EWEB
11	Theresa Herbert	EWEB
12	Melora Shelton	Tacoma Power
13	Andrew Gingerich	Douglas PUD
14	Scott Heller	PSE
15	Tony Fuchs	PSE
16	Rich Madden	PG&E
17	Beth Bailey	PG&E
18	Kendel Emmerson	PacifiCorp
19	Leah Gunnick	Tacoma Power
20	David Meyer	Idaho Power
21	Marc Wicke	Salt River Project
22	Jim Day	USACE
23	Sean Moran	Avista
24	Brad Trumbo	USACE

25	Catherine Willard	Chelan PUD
26	Phil Sandstrom	Tacoma Power
27	Jason Schilling	Douglas PUD
28	Jeff Osborn	Chelan PUD
29	Kelly Cordell	Chelan PUD
30	Von Pope	Chelan PUD
31	John Rohrback	Douglas PUD
32	Thad Mosey	Chelan PUD

**Wednesday October 26, 2022:** Presiding APB President Maggie David welcomed participants and provided a few opening remarks regarding the 62nd annual APB meeting. Maggie then introduced fellow officers Gregg Garnett (Vice President) and Matt Peter (Secretary/Treasurer). Maggie recognized Sarah Ball with Edison Electric Institute (EEI) who has continued to provide ongoing financial support for annual APB meetings. Maggie ended the introductory dialog by reviewing and summarizing the agenda and transitioned into the Member Presentations portion of the 2022 APB Meeting.

### **Member Presentations**

Rich Madden (PGE): Rounde Butte Hatchery Facility Upgrades

Tony Fuchs (PSE): Highlights of the PSE Baker River Wildlife Program

Brad Trumbo (USACE): Clover Island Restoration

Jason Shilling (Douglas PUD): Use of UAV's in Natural Resources Management

Phil Sandstrom (Tacoma Power): Is the Check Engine Light on?

Erik Lesko (PacifiCorp): Mitigating our Mitigation: Fish Stranding in Swift Reservoir, Washington

Kelly Cordell (Chelan PUD): Implementation of a Management Plan for Ute ladies'-tresses  
(*Spiranthes diluvialis*)

Andrew Gingerich (Douglas PUD): Fish Passage and Rearing at a Hydro-Combine

Jeff Osborn (Chelan PUD): The Creation, Construction and Success of the Chelan River Habitat Channel

**Thursday October 27, 2022:** Field tours of the Wells Hydroelectric Project (Hatchery Facilities and dam tailrace) and "Reach 4" of the Chelan River were facilitated by Douglas County PUD and Chelan County PUD, respectively. The day was concluded with the annual APB bowling tournament held at Chelan Lanes.

**Friday October 28, 2022:** Madam President Maggie David welcomed everyone back to the final meeting day and transitioned into the final Member Presentation portion of the agenda.

## **Member Presentations**

Jim Day (USACE): Avian Predation Deterrence Using Falconry Abatement at the Dalles Dam

Catherine Willard (Chelan PUD): Implementation of Sockeye Salmon Hatchery Program for Chelan PUD's Conservation Plan

## **Open Forum Discussion**

The open forum discussion included topics addressing: 1) continuing to provide registration selections that include both the full conference option and a presentation only option which would not include the banquet or other activities (e.g. bowling), and to make sure descriptors are clear for those registering; 2) increased involvement/comment by FERC's Division of Dam Safety and Inspection (D2SI) on plans/reports that historically were only reviewed by FERC's Division of Hydropower Administration and Compliance (DHAC). This increased D2SI involvement has resulted in delayed timelines and approvals; 3) holding a woman's breakfast during the 2023 meeting. Questions about whether it is intended to be ally-inclusive as well or for woman only; 4) proposal to establish a scholarship or donation of carry-over budget to the scholarship fund in memory of Tim Shibahara.

## **Business meeting**

Following the open forum discussions, President Maggie David called the business meeting to order.

### *Orders of Business*

#### Old Business

Review of the 2021 Meeting Minutes: Secretary Matt Peter did a quick read-through from the 2021 meeting minutes to the group. Motion to approve the minutes was made and seconded. No discussion was entered, and the vote carried; the 2021 meeting minutes were approved.

#### New Business

1. Treasury Report: Matt Peter presented the Treasury Report at the meeting and Maggie provided a review of the new website and cost overview. The report is included in the meeting minutes below.

#### Starting Balance October 1, 2021

- I. APB carried over a balance of \$6,766.09 from the 2021 meeting. Total expenses for APB in 2022 were \$11,607.74. Sarah Ball with EEI continued to provide support for APB in the amount of \$4,000 in 2022. After the completion of the 2022 meeting the APB treasury holdover balance was \$1,523.28.
- II. Litehouse Technology, LLC redesigned our website for the Wordpress platform and provided monthly maintenance/support. Total cost for website redesign, website

maintenance/support, and GoDaddy hosting fee from October 2021 through October 2022 was \$4,981.17.

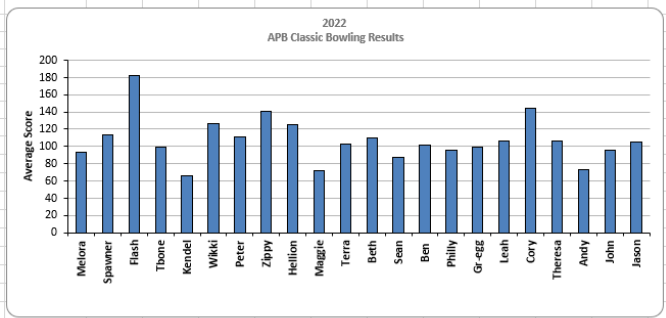
Item Type	Item	Deposit/Debit	Balance
Starting Balance	Starting Balance Oct 1, 2021		\$6,766.09
Litehouse Website Updates	Litehouse Technology New Website Labor	\$ (2,260.00)	\$4,506.09
Envato	Envato.com	\$ (61.00)	\$4,445.09
Website Renewal	GoDaddy Website Renewal	\$ (21.17)	\$4,423.92
Meeting Fees	Deposit / Transfer from Paypal	\$ 192.04	\$4,615.96
Litehouse Website Updates	Litehouse Technology New Website Labor (via Venmo)	\$ (2,250.00)	\$2,365.96
Meeting Gifts	Gifts for presenter, host, and outgoing president (Yeti Mugs)	\$ (205.00)	\$2,160.96
Meeting Fees	Deposit / Transfer from Paypal	\$ 192.54	\$2,353.50
Meeting Fees	Deposit / Transfer from Paypal	\$ 163.44	\$2,516.94
EEl Donation	EEl Donation/Support (deposited in new BECU account)	\$ 4,000.00	\$6,516.94
BECU Interest	Interest earned from BECU account (July)	\$ 0.03	\$6,516.97
BECU Interest	Interest earned from BECU account (August)	\$ 0.04	\$6,517.01
BECU Interest	Interest earned from BECU account (September)	\$ 0.03	\$6,517.04
Meeting Fees	Deposit / Check	\$ 100.00	\$6,617.04
Meeting Fees	Deposit / Transfer from Paypal	\$ 674.66	\$7,291.70
Wire Fee	Transfer Fee to new BECU account	\$ (15.00)	\$7,276.70
BECU Interest	Interest earned from BECU account (October)	\$ 0.08	\$7,276.78
Meeting Fees	Deposit / Check	\$ 30.00	\$7,306.78
Meeting Fees	Deposit / Transfer from Paypal	\$ 1,012.07	\$8,318.85
Litehouse Website Maintenance	Annual Web Hosting Fee	\$ (120.00)	\$8,198.85
Litehouse Website Maintenance	Monthly WordPress Maintenance/Support (August)	\$ (110.00)	\$8,088.85
Litehouse Website Maintenance	Monthly WordPress Maintenance/Support (September)	\$ (110.00)	\$7,978.85
Litehouse Website Maintenance	Monthly WordPress Maintenance/Support (October)	\$ (110.00)	\$7,868.85
Bowling	Bowling/Pizza/Drinks	\$ (2,860.89)	\$5,007.96
Banquet/Conference	Banquet/Conference	\$ (3,484.68)	\$1,523.28

2. Candidate/New Full Members: Gregg Garnett read the list of all candidate/new members who submitted completed applications. New member voting was restricted to current APB members only.
  - I. New Candidate members for 2022:
    - i. Ben Caviness - Natural Resources Technician working for Tacoma Power. He has a B.S. in biology from the University of Washington and is currently a grad student in the Fisheries Management certification program at Oregon State University. Sponsored by Matt Peter. Confirmed in 2022.
    - ii. Cory Starr - Aquatic Biologist working for EWEB. He has a BS in Fisheries and Wildlife from Oregon State University. Sponsored by Andrew Talabere. Confirmed in 2022.
    - iii. Theresa Herbert - Wildlife Biologist working for EWEB. She has an MS in Conservation Biology and Ecology from San Jose State University. Sponsored by Andrew Talabere. Confirmed in 2022.
    - iv. David Meyer - Fisheries Science Technician working for Idaho Power Company. He has a BS in Recreation and Tourism Management from Central Washington University and is currently working toward an MS in Fish and Wildlife Conservation Biology from Colorado State University. Sponsored by Steve Brink. Confirmed in 2022.
    - v. Tera Stoddard - Senior Environmental Scientist working for California Department of Water Resources. She has a BA in Environmental Studies from the University of Colorado, Boulder. Sponsored by Rachael Poston. Carry over from 2021 and confirmed in 2022.

- vi. John Rohrback - Aquatic Resources Biologist working for Douglas County PUD. He has a BS in Wildlife Biology and BA in Political Science from University of Montana and an MS in Environmental Policy from the Bard Center for Environmental Policy. Sponsored by Andrew Gingrich. Carry over from 2021 and confirmed in 2022.
- vii. Leah Gunnink - Natural Resources Technician working for Tacoma Power. She has a B.S. in biology, with an animal emphasis, from Grand Valley State University. Sponsored by Matt Peter. Confirmed in 2022.

3. Maggie David reviewed modification to the APB constitution, clarifying that only a Bachelor’s degree in a recognized discipline of the biological sciences is needed for membership as opposed to a Bachelors of Science (BS). Additionally, duties of the treasurer were further defined in the constitution to include overseeing the organizations financial administration. These changes had been sent out to members in a previous email but were reviewed again in the annual meeting.
4. Meeting Awards: Voting for best Presentation was a close one this year and ended in a tie between Jeff Osborn (The Creation, Construction and Success of the Chelan River Habitat Channel) and Jason Shilling (Use of UAV’s in Natural Resources Management). The toss of a coin broke the tie and Jeff’s presentation was the winner!
5. Bowling Results and Trophy Presentation: Bowling occurred Thursday evening (October 27<sup>th</sup>), following the field tours. Results are included below for convenience to members.

Chelan Lanes Bowling							
27-Oct-22							
	Players	22					
	Lanes	5					
APB'er	Game 1	Game 2	Game 3	Lane	Total	Average	Median
Melora	96	91		3	187	94	Lane 3 107
Spawner	108	119		3	227	114	Lane 4 116
Flash	208	156		3	364	182	Lane 5 97
Tbone	106	92		3	198	99	Lane 6 101
Kendel	119	13		3	132	66	Lane 7 102
Wikki	95	176	109	4	380	127	
Peter	109	134	91	4	334	111	
Zippy	177	129	117	4	423	141	
Hellion	114	110	151	4	375	125	
Maggie	70	67	79	5	216	72	
Terra	94	99	115	5	308	103	
Beth	102	100	126	5	328	109	
Sean	73	88	99	5	260	87	
Ben	102	107	95	6	304	101	
Philly	89	98	100	6	287	96	
Gr-egg	86	103	110	6	299	100	
Leah	92	109	119	6	320	107	
Cory	119	169		7	288	144	
Theresa	109	104		7	213	107	
Andy	50	97		7	147	74	
John	100	90		7	190	95	
Jason	91	120		7	211	106	
	Low Single Game:	Kendel			13		
	Low Average:	Kendel			38		
	High Single Game:	Flash			208		
	High Average:	Flash			182		



Erik “Flash” Lesko took home the bowling trophy this year with a single game high score of 208 and a two-game average of 182.

6. Plans for a location and hosting utility for the 2023 meeting were not confirmed during the business meeting though Scott Heller expressed that it was likely Puget Sound Energy would be willing and able. EWEB also expressed interest in hosting in the future.

7. Officer Nominations and Elections: Gregg Garnett (President) and Matt Peter (Vice President/Treasurer) moved into their respective positions. Scott Heller of Puget Sound Energy volunteered, was voted in, and assumed the Secretary position.
8. Maggie David shared information about the Tim Shibahara Scholarship Fund, that supports an Estacada Highschool Student in their pursuit of a degree in the natural sciences.
9. Outgoing President Maggie David closed the business meeting by thanking Matt Peter and John Rohrback for coordinating and all the folks at Douglas County and Chelan County PUDs for hosting tours. She gave a special thank you to Sarah Ball and EII for their continued support and sponsorship of APB, and ended the meeting by thanking everyone for their attendance.

### **Optional Tour**

Following the close of the business meeting and conference, Douglas County PUD offered an optional tour of the Wells Dam facility.

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