Wildlife Ecology and Conservation

Meeting Minutes
September 18, 2006

I. Call to order

Dr. John Hayes called to order the regular meeting of the Wildlife Ecology and
Conservation at 2:00 PM on September 18th, 2006 in room 376 Newins-Ziegler
Hall.

II. Roll call

Elaine Culpepper registered the following attendees as:
Monica Lindberg, Lyn Branch, Claire Williams, Perran Ross, Ken Dodd, Madan
Oli, Emilio Bruna, Sam Jones, Jim Austin, Peter Frederick, Franklin Percival,
Wiley Kitchens, Susan Jacobson, Mike Moulton, Larry Harris, Katie Sieving

III. Action Items:

a) Graduate Advising Policy revisions – Wiley Kitchens – next meeting
b) Letter to Chuck Knapp reference his courtesy position – Mike Moulton – next
meeting

IV. Activities in Progress:

a) Non-Tenure Track Policy – needs revisions/revisit – John Hayes
b) Revision of WEC policies -- John Hayes

V. Open issues

a) NATURAL DISASTER PLANNING – Sam Jones and Dr. Hayes provided
handouts for Hurricane Task Preparation Checklists. There was a general
review and discussion of procedures outlined for Assignments for Securing
Administrative and Office Areas and Assignments for Laboratory and
Research Areas. Handouts are attached.

b) WEC VEHICLES AND PARKING ISSUES – Sam Jones and Dr. Hayes
provided updates on the new UF policy for vehicles. We now must move
departmental vehicles at evening to a designated compound or we can
purchase a parking space (which provides a sign, name and #) at a cost of
$3,000.00 per vehicle per year. We will not purchase a space, there appears to
be a loop hole, where we can use the parking space in the loading dock to
keep one of our vehicles. The $3,000.00 fee is supposed to fund a taxi service
to transport you to meetings and/or your vehicles parked in the compounds.

Dr. Hayes informed faculty there was a small accident on Friday with
involved some of our students, no injuries and minor property damage.
However, this put a fine focus on this issue, he felt the vehicle use policy
is vague and he wants to tighten this up. We are currently working on the
f) DECISION on Chuck Knapp – Dr. Hayes stated there is nothing in the current policy that would eliminate him for being considered for a position with WEC. GENERAL DISCUSSIONS insured – where the past history of the policy was discussed and prior problems and thought processes as to why it was written that way.

MOTION made by Mike Moulton and seconded by Franklin Percival, that we postpone any votes until the policy is reviewed. The motion carried unanimous on the vote. Mike will send Chuck Knapp a letter. How to go about addressing the changes to the policy were discussed. Inclination is to use faculty as sounding board and then for Dr. Hayes to make the changes. It was suggested Dr. Hayes send out a policy in what he felt is the final format and then send it around for comment. If someone feels it needs discussion, it can be brought forward.

VI. New business

   g) None mentioned

VII. Adjournment

   John Hayes adjourned the meeting at 3:35 PM.

Minutes submitted by: Elaine Culpepper

Minutes approved by: John Hayes