

## **DRAFT Conservation Policy Board Minutes December 3, 2022.**

Committee meetings begin at 10:00 am

Meeting Called to Order 11:01am

Vice President Rob Miller gave opening remarks

Vice President Rob Miller led the pledge of allegiance and the conservation pledge.

Vice President Rob Miller introduced Executive Board, Past President, Staff, Guests

Vice President Rob Miller did CPB roll call

Vice President Rob Miller announced filling vacancies on the CPB Committees: Dawn Levey, Youth and Education Committee Chair.

Approval of Agenda George Lindquist(Jack Ammerman) **MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

Approval of September 17, 2022 CPB Minutes Leonard Shaner(Dave VanLopik) **MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

Vice President Rob Miller introduced guest Speaker Kyle Rorah from Ducks Unlimited.

Executive Director Amy Trotter spoke about MUCC HAB Study

The meeting broke for lunch at 11:52 pm.`

Meeting returned at 12:30pm

Policy Committee Reports

Fisheries: Good reviews, few amendments.

Wildlife: 4 resolutions reviewed.

Firearms/Shooting/Rages: Record turnout for that committee. Like input, join the committee.

Youth & Education: Reactivating the committee, looking at officers. Bring generations together.

Talked about camp and looking outside the box to make it more successful.

Parks and Recreation: 2 resolutions reviewed. Make recommendations as they come up. Talked about the charge of the committee. The committee could use more people, please go back to clubs for more membership.

**MOTION TO BRING RESOLUTIONS A-K TO THE FLOOR Rob Miller(Erik Schnelle) MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

Proposed Resolution #A Easier Access to Recreational Passport

Author Bruce Hall spoke on the resolution.

Parks and Recreation support the resolution.

Firearms, Shooting and Recreation what about hunting license kiosk? If it was combined how would it affect the business.

Fisheries supports the resolution, MOTION TO STRIKE on line 10 “the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR)” replace with “the appropriate state agencies.” Eric Braden(Bob Jones) **MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION TO STRIKE THE WORD KIOSK ON LINE 11 to strike “kiosk” and replace with “more efficient” strike lines 12-13 Anthony Mitchell(Bob Jones) **MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION TO MOVE TO CONVENTION AS AMENDED Len Shaner( David VanLopik) **MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

Proposed Resolution #B Extension of Apprentice Hunting License Timeline

Wildlife Committee agrees with the idea of the resolution.

MOTION TO AMEND TO READ beginning on line 18 “three years if they take at least the online hunter safety education program in the first two years to provide a provisional certificate until the hunter safety in person field portion can be completed.” Len Shaner(Bob Jones) **MOTION CARRIES**

MOTION TO AMEND on line 18 strike “three” replace with “two.” Jack Ammerman(Bruce Levey) **MOTION FAILS**

MOTION TO MOVE TO CONVENTION AS AMENDED George Lindquist(Erik Schnelle) **MOTION CARRIES**

Proposed Resolution #C Pontoon Registration Fee/Renewal Fee

Author Bob Schulz spoke on the resolution.

Fisheries supports as written.

MOTION TO PASS TO CONVENTION Erik Schnelle(Wayne Hanson) **MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

Proposed Resolution #D State Park Endowment Fund (SPEF) Oversight

Parks and Recreation committee supports as written.

Fisheries Supports.

This has been brought to a previous convention and failed.

MOTION TO PASS TO CONVENTION George Lindquist (Bruce Levey) **MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

Proposed Resolution #E Natural Resource Commission Meeting Locations

Author Steve Dey spoke on the resolution.

Fisheries committee supports as written.

Firearms, Shooting and Ranges supports as written.

MOTION TO PASS TO CONVENTION David VanLopik(George Lindquist) **MOTION CARRIES**

Proposed Resolution #F Expansion of Michigan Pheasant Release for Hunter Improvement  
Jack Ammerman spoke on the resolution on behalf of the author.

MOTION TO AMEND on line 26, remove the "." and add where habitat and biology support expansion Nick Buggia(Taylor Renton) **MOTION FAILS**

MOTION TO AMEND on line 17 and 19 replace "state game areas" with "public hunting land"  
Jack Ammerman(Len Shaner) **MOTION CARRIES**

MOTION TO PASS TO CONVENTION Jack Ammerman(Wayne Hanson) **MOTION CARRIES**

Proposed Resolution #G Retention of Bear Points  
Wildlife supports as written.

MOTION TO PASS TO CONVENTION Bob Jones(George Lindquist) **MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

Proposed Resolution #H Reaffirm MUCC's Opposition to Camp Grayling Expansion  
Author Pat Hogan speaks on the resolution.  
Firearms, Ranges and Shooting Sports had questions.  
Fisheries Supports as written.

MOTION TO SEND BACK TO WRITER as we have policy on it Bruce Levey(Erik Schnelle)  
**MOTION FAILS**

MOTION TO AMEND to line 54 and 55 to read "that MUCC reaffirms its commitment to opposition to Camp Grayling expansion per resolution BR011089 and opposes any further expansion but MUCC will work with the DNR and National Guard to minimize impact and maximize recreational opportunity and any expansion that may take place will not negatively impact DNR budget." George Lindquist(Leonard Shaner)

MOTION TO AMEND AMENDMENT to move proposed language to a new "be it further resolved" after line 58 David VanLopik(George Lindquist) **MOTION ON AMENDMENT TO AMENDMENT CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION TO PASS TO CONVENTION George Lindquist(Anthony Mitchell) **MOTION CARRIES**

Proposed Resolution #I Recreational Vehicle Education  
Author Steve Lomonaco spoke on the resolution.

Firearms, Shooting, and Ranges committee supports.

MOTION TO AMEND to add new "be it further resolved: that the MDNR recreational safety staff work with current ORV and snowmobile instructors to come up with a blueprint of what the new books should look like and what should be on the test." Bruce Levey(George Lindquist)

**MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION TO PASS TO CONVENTION David VanLopik(Anthony Mitchell) **MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

Proposed Resolution #J Green Solar Energy on Private Lands

Author Erik Schnelle spoke on the resolution.

Firearms, Shooting, and Ranges, does MUCC have a dog in the fight on private lands?

MOTION TO AMEND on line 23 after site recommendations add "land-owner education" Taylor Renton(George Lindquist) **MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION TO PASS TO CONVENTION Wayne Hanson(Anthony Mitchell) MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

Proposed Resolution #K Game Tracking Dog Use

Author Erik Schnelle spoke on the resolution.

MOTION TO AMEND on line 17 change "physically incapable" to "legally disabled" on line 29 add after the "(" "ie" and line 41 add "legally" after the word is. Erik Schnelle(Bob Jones)

MOTION TO AMEND AMENDMENT to remove "legally" from the amendment. Taylor

Renton(George Lindquist) **MOTION CARRIES**

**MOTION ON AMENDMENT CARRIES**

MOTION TO AMEND existing MUCC policy to line 41 "as described in MUCC's 2019 resolution AC02B0619\*." Bob Jones(Jack Ammerman) **MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION TO AMEND on line 38 to add "Without a firearm or bow of the season" Jack Ammerman(David VanLopik) **MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION TO PASS TO CONVENTION Nick Buggia(Jack Ammerman) MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

Policy Assistant gave a brief policy update and introduced Al Stewart Director of Nimrod Education Society.

Executive Director Amy Trotter gave an executive board report

A moment for the mission.

Announcement of next meeting

MUCC Annual Convention, March 24-26 2022 Mt. Pleasant, MI.

June Meeting, Upper Peninsula, date and time TBD.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN Bruce Levey(Bob Jones) MOTION CARRIES**

Meeting Adjourned at 3:39pm

**\*AC02B0619: RESOLUTION TO ALLOW REGISTERED TRACKERS TO DISPATCH WOUNDED BIG GAME ANIMALS**

MUCC will support an initiative to amend the Michigan Wildlife order to provide or remove language to allow registered trackers to dispatch a wounded, legally hunted big game animal for the goal of recovering or ending the suffering of already wounded, legally hunted big game animals in two specific cases: (1) the licensed hunter is unable to walk through a dense wooded area due to a temporary or permanent disability or medical condition (2) the life or safety of the tracking dog is in jeopardy. MUCC will support and work with the Michigan legislature to amend any laws contradictory to the suggested changes regarding allowing registered trackers to dispatch wounded big game animals under the 2 specific cases listed above and to provide exceptions for the goal of recovering or ending the suffering of already wounded, legally hunted big game animal