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**Kentucky-Tennessee Society of American Foresters  
Business Meeting, January 28, 2005  
MeadowView Marriott, Kingsport, Tennessee**

**Call to Order:** Jerry Crow, Outgoing Chair called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. There were approximately 50 persons in attendance at the meeting.

**Review & Approval of Summer Business Meeting Minutes:** Ed Smith, outgoing Secretary, asked for comments, corrections, or additions to the draft minutes, copies of which were available throughout the room. Glen Smalley, commented on declining membership and recommended that names of members not renewing their membership be posted on the KTSAF web site. Further comment was made that this might not be possible due to privacy concerns. No further comments, corrections, or additions were offered. Motion was made and approved to accept the minutes, as written. (Motion: Bob Leonard, Second: Glen Smalley)

**Executive Committee Report:** Jerry Crow offered the following comments concerning the Executive Committee meeting:

- Thanked Bob Cunningham, our SAF Council Representative, for attending our Winter Meeting.
- Information on the relationship between our general fund and the Memorial Scholarship Fund.
- Volunteer Organization Structure study: Asked members to please read the report and provide their input to Don Hodges or himself.
- As incoming Policy Chair, he will continue to work on the "Forester Registration in Tennessee" position paper presented by the West Tennessee Chapter, as discussed during yesterday's session.

**2004 Financial Report:** Ed Smith, incoming Treasurer, summarized contents of the 2004 Year-end Financial Statement. The full report is included with the Executive Committee minutes.

**Review and Approval of 2005 Budget:** Ed Smith summarized elements of the 2005 Budget, copies of which were available throughout the room, noting that the \$3550 budget shortfall was based on a conservative income estimate. A discussion of future funding followed, including a general recommendation to contact SAF headquarters concerning funding for the FFA Convention. Motion was made and approved to accept the 2005 Budget as written. (Motion: Wayne Clatterbuck, Second: Don Hodges) Detail of the approved 2005 Budget is included with the Executive Committee minutes.

**Brief Report Summaries:**

- **Committees:** Memorial Scholarship Committee: Wayne Clatterbuck reported that the previous day's request for donations to the Memorial Scholarship Fund resulted in cash donations of over \$100 and three memorial checks.

- **Chapters:**

West Tennessee Chapter: David Mercker reported that they would be partnering with twelve county forestry associations this summer to sponsor a forestry field day. He recommended that all chapters should do the same.

East Tennessee Chapter: Don Hodges reported that they would be having a program on forest health in March.

Southeast Tennessee Chapter: Ken Smith reported that they would be hosting the Summer Meeting at University of the South on June 9, 2005. More information will be forthcoming.

Middle Tennessee Chapter: Brant Miller reported that they met last night and scheduled their next meeting on April 15, 2005, to tour the Collingswood flooring mill.

- **Agencies:**

Daniel Boone National Forest: Amos Stone reported that the new forest management plan for the DBNF had been approved with two appeals still pending on the plan. He noted that they were pleased to be able to get back to forest management. He also reported that they had carried out prescribed burns on fifteen thousand acres last year and were planning nineteen thousand acres of prescribed burning this year.

Kentucky Division of Forestry: Bob Vogt reported that logging inspections continue to be a major responsibility of the KDF and that he will work on SAF membership from their organization.

Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency: John Gregory announced that they would have three forestry intern positions available within TWRA this summer. Contact him for additional details.

- **Universities:** University of Kentucky: Steve Bollard, new Head of the Department of Forestry, announced that they had three open faculty positions and that they were developing a new of ecology within the Department of Agriculture.

- Industry and Others:

Wayne Clatterbuck, Program Chair for the Winter Meeting, noted that there were 134 registered attendees at the meeting.

Kerry Schell commented that we should invite the U.S. Forest Service Regional Forester to attend/speak at one of our meetings.

Jerry Crow expressed his appreciation to the KTSAF for being able to serve as Chair for the past year, then turned the Chairmanship over to Don Hodges.

**Adjourn:** There being no further business, Don Hodges announced that he would entertain a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion to adjourn was made and approved at 8:40 a.m.

Minutes written and compiled by Ed Smith;  
Respectfully submitted by,

Ron Taylor  
Secretary, KTSAF

The Business Meeting was followed by a very interesting tour of Weyerhaeuser's facilities in Kingsport. Tour was led by Weyerhaeuser Foresters, Bill Burris and Doug Hendrickson and included the woodyard, the new paper plant, and the new paper cutting and boxing facility.