

No copies of the 2002 meeting minutes have been found to date. The following information from was taken from other sources.

Lee Redmond was inducted into the National Fisheries Hall of Excellence sponsored by the Fish Management Section of AFS

MOAFS received the Outstanding Chapter Award for 2001 from AFS.

Matt Matheney received the NCD's Best Newsletter Award on behalf of MOAFS.

The 2001 MOAFS Student Scholarship Tournament was held April 14, 2001 at the Port of Kimberling on Table Rock Lake. Sixty nine teams participated and MOAFS netted \$4, 738.00.

Bob Shulz, MOAFS's MOWIN (Missouri Watershed Information Network) Liaison reported on the April 11 MOWIN Advisory Council Meeting. The Missouri Conservation Assistance Guide, a summary of available assistance for conservation practices in Missouri, is almost ready for printing. The interactions of the attendees of participating organizations illustrate on of the great benefits that MOWIN offers.

Lee Redmond represented MOAFS at two public meetings involving water quality issues and instream mining guidelines. . Lee's attendance at these meetings on behalf of MOAFS was the beginning of a strategy suggested by Past President Bill Turner who recognized the dilemma agency representatives faced when attempting to represent MOAFS when they are known to agency staff.

The first Student Job Fair was held 5 years ago.

MOAFS signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Socioeconomics Section of AFS to cosponsor an annual A. Stephen Weithman Jr. Best Student Paper Award for the best student paper presented in the field of socioeconomics. MOAFS's contribution to the \$150.00 award was to be \$75.00 each year that the award is presented.

President Roell sent letters to Governor Bob Holden requesting his support in defeating legislation that would weaken water quality protection in Missouri, to Bill Hartwig (Director of Region 3, FWS) supporting the rehiring of Jerry Rasmussen as MICRA Coordinator, to Christine Todd Whitman (EPA Administrator) expressing concern about elevated levels of mercury in fish flesh, to U.S. Representative Todd Akin requesting his support of the Corps Reform Caucus, to U.S. Senator Pete Domenici urging his opposition to efforts to attach an anti-environmental rider to the affecting the Missouri River, and to Congressman William Clay urging support of a conservation amendment to H.R. 2646 to help protect Missouri's environment, public health and Agricultural communities.

Treasurer Greg Pitchford was a member of the Highway 36 – Wetland Design Team that received the 2001 Governor's Award for Quality and Productivity for developing a solution for locating an accessible borrow site while mitigating the loos of wetlands associated with Highway 36 road construction within the Grand River floodplain near Chillicothe, Missouri.

Greg Pitchford and Jason Vokum helped the AFS Computer Users Section develop a new listserve called "Ictalurids".