CAPACITY-BUILDING FOR SCB CHAPTERS, PART II:
Empowering Environmental Problem-solving

2008 SCB International Conference
Chattanooga, Tennessee
July 13, 12:30-4:30
2008 WORKSHOP AGENDA

12:30pm Welcome & Chapters Report
Fiona Nagle, SCB Chapters Advisory Committee

12:45p-1:20p  Policy Activities of SCB Chapters
Chapters and Public Policy
John Fitzgerald, SCB Policy Director

From ESA to the Farm Bill: Chapter Engagement with Policy
Jim Manolis, Minnesota Chapter

Policy Priorities of SCB Chapters
Eli Bernstein, Colorado Plateau Chapter

1:20pm  Participant Introductions  15 minutes

1:35p-2:25p  Inter-Organizational Networking
Coastal Sage Scrub & Grassland Restoration: A Collaboration
Jessica Pratt, Orange County Chapter

Conservation: A Neglected Issue in Northwestern Argentina
Pamela Fierro, Northwest Argentina Regional Chapter (w/ Rodrigo)

Learning from our Sisters 1: The Wildlife Society
Mary Dodson, Secretary/Treasurer, Tennessee Chapter

Learning from our Sisters 2: The American Fisheries Society
Frank Fiss, President, Tennessee Chapter

2:25pm  15 minute break
2:40p-3:15p  Reaching Out to the Community

Mascot to the Rescue: Warming Up Little Hearts for Big Conservation
Evi Paemelaere, Auburn University Chapter

Introducing High School Students in New Orleans to Conservation Biology
Rachel Wallace, New Orleans Chapter

Getting the Adult Community Involved in Conserving Local Wildlife
Aletris Neils, Florida Chapter

3:15p-4:00p  Organizational Capacity

Intro to the New SCB Chapters Website (& other fun stuff)
Kelly Pennington, Chapters Webmaster & Minnesota Chapter

Update on Chapter Bylaws
Alan Thornhill, SCB Executive Director

Coming up to Speed on SCB
Rodrigo Medellin, Austral-Neotropical Section
Fiona Nagle, Chapters Advisory Committee
Tom Sisk, Chapters-BOG Liaison
Li Wang, China Chapter

4:00pm  Open Discussion & Wrap-up
Follow-up
Chapters Roundtable
(transitions, open forum, looking ahead)

Thursday Lunch
(12:15p-1:15p)

Room 18
THE 1st WORKSHOP

“Capacity-Building for SCB Chapters in the 21st Century”

2006 SCB Conference, San Jose, CA
Saturday, 24 June, 12:30-4:30pm
To conclude, our goal is to have a strong economy and a healthy environment. Good science must always prevail for society to make good decisions about its future. Hence, speak out but intelligently.
WHAT ARE CHAPTERS?
A university...

Multiple institutions...
A city...

Several cities...
A state…

A region…
A country...

Several countries.
The SCB Tree

Global

Sections

Working Groups

Committees

Chapters
Organizational Relationships

Board of Governors

Strong

Chapter Advisory Committee

Growing

Section Boards of Directors

Representative Voice (via liaison)

Executive Office

Growing
49 Chapters chartered since 1991!

29 Active: 7 new, 3 inactive, 3 dormant (7% growth)

- 25 in North America
- 2 in South America (1998 & 2006)
- 1 in Africa (2005)
- 1 in Asia (2007)

5 sister chapters

Status:

New Chapters (7)
- Auburn Univ (AL)
- Central CA Coast
- China
- Georgia
- Orange County (CA)
- Texas Tech Univ
- Triangle (NC)

In Formation (9)
- Bhutan
- Colombia
- Long Beach (CA)
- New York City
- Ohio State Univ
- Oregon
- Peru
- South Carolina
- Sul Ross (TX)
“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it’s the only thing that ever has.”

—Margaret Mead