

Meeting Minutes
Alabama Resource Advisory Committee (RAC)
February 28, 2017

Forest Service Attendees:

Tammy Freeman Brown, DFO
Carl Petrick, Forest Supervisor
Tim Mersmann, District Ranger Conecuh National Forest
Lisa Kamnikar, RAC Coordinator

RAC Members:

Tammy Power	Renee Raney
Mike Henshaw	Cedric Hudson
Brian Keener	Nisa Miranda
Keith Tassien	Mark Kolinski
Debra Quinn	Brandon Bobo
Olga Tiller	Tina Jones

Meeting started at 1:10 pm

Tammy Brown introduces FS personnel and gives a brief welcome

Carl Petrick gives an overview of the National Forests in Alabama and how the RAC would benefit the Forest mission

Lisa Kamnikar passes out the certificate/letters of appointment and each member introduces themselves.

Tammy gives an explanation of the Federal Advisory Committee and shows a video about the Shoshonee RAC to further explain the importance of having a RAC.

The Guidebooks for RAC are discussed and the website links.

Ethics video is show and those in attendance complete the form required to make decisions as a RAC member.

Tim Mersmann discusses the proposal process using a PowerPoint presentation and a discussion among those at the meeting ensues about how to reach other counties with the hopes of increasing our use of Title II funding.

Tammy Freeman Brown – leads the group to select a RAC Chairman and then goes through the operating guidelines. Brandon Bobo is elected to be Chair with Keith Tassein serving as co-Chair.

Tammy Freeman Brown - Will follow up with information on the next steps to start the process of soliciting project proposals during March.

Brandon Bobo – Discusses next meeting date and what needs to be accomplished before that time. A teleconference is scheduled for April 11, 2017 at 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned 4:05 p.m.