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**WBEA CONFERENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT
Boise, Idaho, February 17, 2018
WBEA Executive Board Meeting**

Committee Members: Joe McFarland (CA), Chair; Warren Kawano (HI); Eric Swenson (MT). Committee met Saturday, February 17, 2018.

Future WBEA Conferences:

2019	Tucson, Arizona	February 14-18	Hilton El Conquistador Resort
2020	Torrance, California	February 13-16	Marriott Torrance Redondo Beach
2021	Washington	February 12-15	
2022	California	February 11-14	Marriott San Mateo
2023	Open		

Eric Swenson gave the final report from the 2017 Conference in Bozeman, Montana. There were 90 paid registrants; 41 from Montana and 8 retirees. Split of proceeds was \$6,325.00 to WBEA and to Montana.

Brenda Jacobson gave an Idaho conference update. As of February 17 there were 180 registrants; 120 are from Idaho and 15 are retirees. 351 room nights have been booked.

Julie Ellis gave a report on the 2019 conference to be held in Tucson Arizona. It will be held at the Hilton El Conquistador Resort. Registration is projected to be \$250 for early registration and \$300 with regular registration. These rates include \$25 for airport transportation. Hotel rate is \$159.

Karen O'Connor reported on proposed conferences in California in 2020 and 2022. The 2020 would fill the WBEA Wild Card spot. It is proposed to be at the Marriott Torrance Redondo Beach Hotel. Projected early registration is \$299 and regular registration at \$399. Room rate proposed is \$155.

Ariel Dykstra made a tentative proposal for 2021.