SAF MEETING                                      MINUTES
October 24, 2005

(Comments organized by topic)

Report on the SAF National Convention in Fort Worth, TX
Good times were had by all.
Mike was left in the airport during a layover
The ESF Quizbowl team bested at least 50% of the challengers and did especially well in
the silviculture category
Thanks to ESF-SAF for convention scholarships
By some counts there were between 300 and 400 students at the Convention.
Also, great exposure to job opportunities at all levels in all sectors including private,
local, state and federal positions. Good networking opportunities. Very insightful
question sessions.
Nan and others had good conversation with Craig Vollmer, NYS-SAF Chapter President
about ESF student involvement in the NYS-SAF meeting in January.
It’s also worth noting that ESF had very good representation of women foresters.
Next year’s convention is in Pittsburgh, close enough for high ESF-SAF attendance.
In the mean time, consider joining one of the SAF working groups to learn more about a
specific topic and interact with professional foresters.

Volunteers Needed

Stephen Harris of Cornell Cooperative Extension is looking for volunteers for tree
planting on any or all of the following dates: November 12. Please look at your
calendars and decide what is the best day for you to volunteer and at the next meeting
we will coordinate and ESF-SAF effort. No details yet about exactly where the
planting will take place but it is likely to be local.

Outer Comstock Neighborhood Association planting will take place on Sunday, 11/13/05.

Please stay tuned to the listserv for more details about these events.

The Greatest Good
Mike Tripodi brought up the idea of hosting a showing of “The Greatest Good” in
cooperation with the campus based Forest Service Office. The film highlights the
history of the US Forest Service. If you would like to help out with this effort, please
contact Mike.

Other issues
We still need to organize a guest speaker for this semester. Forward ideas to Nan.
Lise and Mike are leading the effort to design and print a t-shirt for ESF-SAF fundraising.
Starting in November, we will be discussing the ESF-SAF Field Days, which will take
place Spring 2006.