

MINUTES OF THE EAST CASCADES AUDUBON SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

November 6, 2018

Attendance and Quorum: Present were Ken Hashagen, Tom Lawler, Diane Burgess, Terri Hyde, John Brune, Diana Roberts, Carolyn Rochelle. A quorum was present throughout the board meeting. Tom Penpraze was absent. Also in attendance were Bob Sizoo and Sherrie Pierce.

Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm.

The October 2, 2018 Board Meeting minutes were approved.

1. Sherrie Pierce shared background information on the Eagle Watch event. She also discussed next year's event on Feb. 23 and 24, 2019. Sherrie and David Vick will not be attending. Sherrie will send an email to Kevin, Kai, Mary Y., and Joel to see if they are interested in helping. Ken will attend and be the contact person for both days. Tom L., Diane, and Diana will help, depending on weather. The sign-up deadline is Feb. 21. Ken will notify Erin Bennett on our participation status. Items needed from the storage shed: ECAS banner, sandwich boards, and bird information.

2. Terri shared the ECAS Grant Committee requests from Friends of Neighbors of Deschutes Canyon Area (\$2000), Oregon Eagle Foundation (\$2000), Trumpeter Swan Society (\$500). All requests unanimously approved by the Board.

3. Terri and John shared the current financial statements. All is well. The 2019 ECAS Preliminary Budget was shared. The 2018 Golden Eagle cam donations were the highest ever.

4. Donation buttons for Lights Out Bend and the ECAS Poo Screen Project will be added to the current list on the ECAS webpage. Donations for poo screens in Oregon State Parks will be directed to ECAS.

5. Diane shared the latest draft of the Field Trip Policy. The policy was unanimously approved by the Board.

6. The Member Planet ECAS waiver form is now being used for the Winter Raptor Routes Project. These electronic waivers can be used for field trips, Dean Hale Woodpecker Festival, etc. Hard copies of waivers will be scanned and put in Google Docs. Diane needs those waivers for scanning. We need to advertise the availability and use of these waivers through Birders Night, the Annual Event, ECAS Newsletters, and ECAS Chatters.

7. A change in the ECAS Bylaws, Article III, Section 2 was unanimously approved by the Board. Language was added: "In addition, if a Director position cannot be filled because no member other than a term-limited current or former Director is willing to serve, the two-term limit established by this section will not apply to preclude the current or former Director from being elected to fill the position."

8. Diane will file the Audubon Chapter Annual report.

9. The Board will update the ECAS committee list and give that information to Jan Rising and the Membership Committee, so that information can be added to the Member Planet software program. The Board will do this at the retreat in January.

10. Sherrie received data from the 2018 Winter Raptor Route Project: volunteer hours and miles covered.

11. At the Annual Meeting on October 13, 2018 the following Board members were elected or re-elected: Terri Hyde (re-elected), Tom Lawler (re-elected), Bob Sizoo (elected).

12. ECAS has a new five-year Forest Service permit for the Dean Hale Woodpecker Festival.

13. Carolyn shared some updates from the Whiskey Springs project: property owner's signs continue to be posted, barriers have been put up to direct people, old trails are now blocked, new plantings enclosed in chicken wire, money left over for plantings next year.

14. The Board discussed the 2018 Annual Event. Attendance was 88. The profit was \$396. The Shorebird Class sold out.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:33 pm. The minutes were taken and prepared for distribution to the board by Diane Burgess, ECAS Secretary.