

MINUTES OF THE EAST CASCADES AUDUBON SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

December 13, 2016

Date and Notice: The Board of Directors meeting was held at 5:00 p.m. on December 13, 2016, at The Environmental Center. All meeting dates for 2016 were established by the Board at its meeting on January 9, 2016, and a notice listing all dates was provided to members. An agenda for the meeting was provided to the Board by email on November 29, 2016, and again by email on December 12, 2016.

Attendance and Quorum: Present were Directors Ken Hashagen, John Brune, Danielle Lordi, Jan Rising, Ted Groszkiewicz, Tom Lawler, and Sherrie Pierce. A quorum was present throughout the Board meeting. Terri Hyde and Karen Gentry were absent.

Reports and Discussion:

1. President Ken Hashagen convened the meeting at 5:07 p.m. The November 1, 2016 Board and November 12, 2016 Annual Meeting minutes were approved unanimously.
2. Financial Report. The financial reports for October 2016 were delivered electronically December 1, 2016, to the Board and presented to the Board by John. There were no corrections or questions.
3. Final 2017 Budget Proposal. John presented the final budget to the Board. Jan moved to approve as presented, Tom seconded, and the budget was approved unanimously, as presented.
4. Nesting Box Guide. Ken presented Jim Anderson's request for grant to publish self-authored brochures, and the request was discussed. Jan moved to approve \$100 for Jim to publish and distribute as he sees appropriate, Danielle seconded, and the request was approved (Tom abstaining). We will request the PDF to put on the ECAS website.
5. Annual Event Wrap-up. Raffle not as successful—whether to change price of tickets and/or higher quality raffle prizes discussed. In 2017, will need to cover food (Karen terming off); and beer (Diane suggested). A separate committee to organize was proposed. Senior Center not yet confirmed for 2017; Terri will be handling insurance deposit. Paul Bannick booked as speaker. We will need to address PayPal issues.
6. Grant Requests.
 - a. Sherrie presented Laughrige grant requests from ONDA (\$2,000; to monitor Sage Grouse habitat on Eastern Oregon public lands), DLT (\$1,000; to restore and improve habitat at Hindman Springs in Camp Polk Meadow), and the City of Prineville (\$2,000; for design and construction of a kiosk at the new Sewage Treatment Plant), which requests were approved by the Grants Committee at its December 6, 2016 meeting. Danielle moved to approve the above grants, Jan seconded, and each was approved unanimously. How much of our Laughrige funds we should spend per year was discussed, to be revisited at the January meeting.

- b. Sherrie and Tom presented Accumulated funds grants requests from Oregon Birds Record Committee (\$100), Friends of Malheur National Wildlife Refuge (\$100; to show support), Friends and Neighbors of the Deschutes River Canyon (\$500; to support this local volunteer-powered organization protecting and restoring habitat), Trumpeter Swan Society (\$500; to support efforts to restore a breeding population at Summer Lake), Cascades Raptor Center (\$500; to support work in raptor rehabilitation); Native Bird Care (\$500; reimbursement for documented expenses re injured Hope, injured Trumpeter Swan), Malheur Field Station (\$100; to show support); Harney County Migratory Bird Festival (\$500, for special membership supporting art and wildlife education in Harney County Schools). Tom moved to approve the above grants, John seconded, and each was approved unanimously (Jan abstaining from vote on Native Bird Care, on Board).

7. January Board Meeting. The January Board meeting will be on Saturday, January 21, 2017 at Ken's house in Sisters.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Actions Taken:

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to approve the November 1, 2016 and November 12, 2016 Annual Meeting minutes.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to approve the Final 2017 Budget Proposal, as presented.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to approve \$100 to Jim Anderson for Jim to publish and distribute as he sees appropriate his Nesting Box Guide.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to approve the Laughrige and Accumulated Funds grant requests as approved at the November 29, 2016 Grants Committee meeting.

Approved at the Board meeting of February 11, 2017

Danielle Lordi, Recording Secretary