MINUTES OF THE EAST CASCADES AUDUBON SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

February 2, 2016

<u>Date and Notice</u>: The Board of Directors meeting was held at 6 pm on February 2 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 updated agenda for the meeting was provided to the Board by email on January 26, 2016.

<u>Attendance and Quorum</u>: Present were Directors Ken Hashagen, John Brune, Danielle Lordi, Jan Rising, Terri Hyde, Tom Lawler, Karen Gentry, Ted Groszkiewicz and Sherrie Pierce. A quorum was present throughout the Board meeting. Guests Kevin Smith, Dr. Stu Garrett, Michael Allender and Susan Payne also attended.

Reports and Discussion:

President Ken Hashagen convened the meeting at 6 pm. The January 9, 2016 Board meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

The financial reports for January 2016 were delivered electronically to the Board. Assistant Treasurer noted year-end totals. There were no corrections or questions.

Michael Allender and Susan Payne presented an idea for a Yahoo Birders group similar to one they use for another activity. An announcement will be placed in the March Chatter for anyone interested in this group.

Dr. Stu Garrett reported on possible Greater-Sage Grouse projects after discussion with Forest Service and BLM officials. A list of volunteers was generated at the last Birders' Night. Another meeting with agency officials for additional Conservation projects is scheduled.

Danielle presented the comment letter written in response to US Forest Service Sisters Ranger District Greenridge Project's scoping letter request. It was approved with minor adjustments and Ken will deliver it to their office by Friday.

Payment of the ODFW Banding Permit renewal for Jim Anderson was discussed and approved. The amount is \$102.

The proposed By-laws Amendment and Resolution sent to the Board prior to this meeting was approved.

The Golden Eagle Camera project was discussed. Information on internet set-up and expense had been sent to the Board previously by Kevin Smith. It was agreed to revisit this project pending further information.

Ted and Terri reported on the prototype of a Pay-Pal process through the website. They will test this for use in receiving payments on-line for memberships and donations.

Danielle handed out information on the use of Instagram.

The Spring Oregon Audubon Council Meeting is being planned. Possible dates have been suggested and final plans will be announced next month.

A Bird Records Committee donation of \$100 was approved. This is the same as last year.

Eagle Watch will be held February 27 and 28. ECAS will have a booth and any one wanting to volunteer is welcome.

A Tech Soup purchase for Adobe Acrobat was approved. It is \$55 and can be used to create on-line pdf writeable forms.

Steve Shunk has been confirmed as the Annual Event speaker.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Actions Taken:

It was moved, seconded and approved unanimously to approve the January 9, 2016 minutes.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to adopt the proposed Resolution amending the Bylaws defining officer positions and responsibilities.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to pay the \$102 for the ODFW banding permit used by Jim Anderson.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to donate \$100 to the Oregon Bird Records Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Approved at the Board meeting of March 1, 2016.