

**East Cascades Audubon Society
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 6, 2022**

Date and Notice

The Board of Directors meeting was held virtually via Zoom on Tuesday, December 6, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 3:06 pm PT. An agenda for the meeting was provided to all Board Members on December 3, 2022.

Attendance and Quorum

The following Directors were present: Amanda Accamando, Laurel Collins, Miriam Lipsitz, Jan Rising, Mary Shivell, and Gordon Wetzel. Duke Tufty was absent. A quorum was present throughout the meeting. The following guests attended portions of the meeting: Claire Weiser, Mary Oppenheimer, Brian MacDonald, Aaron Jenkins.

Reports and Discussion

- 1- Article ideas for the next issue of Calliope were discussed.
- 2- A history of the Laughrige Grant Fund was provided by the Chair of the Grant Committee.
- 3- **Motion:** To approve the minutes from the November 1, 2022, Board of Directors meeting (Rising/Lipsitz). Motion passed unanimously.
- 4- Mary Shivell delivered the President's Report of recent activities.
- 5- The 2023 budget was discussed. A draft budget was emailed to Board Members on December 1, 2022.
- 6- The timeline for Board elections was discussed.
- 7- The meeting time for Board Meetings in 2023 was discussed. Board Meetings for 2023 will be held on the first Tuesday of each month at 6PM (PT).
- 8- The agenda and possible date/time for a Board Retreat were discussed.
- 9- A grant to Think Wild to support the rehabilitation and release of a Great Horned Owl was discussed.

10- **Motion:** To approve a \$200 grant to Think Wild, paid for through ECAS accumulated funds, to support the rehabilitation and release of a Great Horned Owl (Accamando/Shivell). Motion passed unanimously.

11- A discussion about submitting a letter to the BLM re: the Redmond Wetlands Complex Project was had.

12- An amendment to the recently adopted policy re: dogs at ECAS events was discussed.

13- **Motion:** To amend the ECAS dog policy as proposed in the version sent to the board on 12/3/2022 (Rising/Shivell). Motion passed unanimously.

14- A brief conversation about a possible Chair for the Science & Conservation Committee was had.

15- **Motion:** To adjourn the Board Meeting (Rising/Accamando). Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:06pm PT.

The minutes were prepared by Amanda Accamando, Secretary.