

Audubon of SW Florida, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting
Jan. 15 2009 - 6 PM
Eco Living Center

Chair: President Maria Quasius
Board Members Present:
Pete, Fran, Gerri, Carol, Mari, Rebecca, Gene, Kelly
Guest: Dan Van Norman

Meeting called to order: 6:01

Minutes: Dec. minutes approved as posted to web.

Membership: Approved changing by-laws to allow chapter-only memberships following March meeting. Initial \$20 membership good to Dec. 31, 2010. Then annual.. Membership dues - \$20, (senior/student/teachers \$15) . Encourage NAS membership too.

Paid membership: 1335. 229 members in Dec. did not renew

Treasury: \$2594.95 in checking. The investment account shows drop of about 25% in last quarter. Receipts received from Gene and Fran for Tony. Need budget proposal for 2009.

Approved Audubon Assembly participation in Haines City, Mar. 27-29, for Gerri NTE \$187 and registration fees (\$25) for Carol and other BOD members interested. Registration NLT 2/27.

Education programs: Decided not to extend deadline for FGCU scholarship.
Rebecca to adjust scholarship deadlines to academic standards for 2009/10 cycle.

Conservation report: EvCo conference in Miami successful but expensive, - Maria and Carol represented chapter.. Chapter supported designation of pole/troll zone for Blind Pass in Sanibel. Signing -on letters for 951 no build option and southern crew boundary modification tabled. PQ to provide BOD background.

Field trips: CH-NEP muck walks, Sanibel hawk watch, Babcock, moonlite at Corkscrew, overseas trip suggested for 2009. Promote weekly local birding trips by other organizations.

Programs:

2/19 Pam Jones on Lover's Key

3/19 Annual meeting, keynote by Jerry Jackson.

Maybe only couple major programs - Eco B'fast, season opener, annual meeting for 2009.

Fairs and festivals:

Will participate in Feb. Burrowing owl festival in Cape Coral and

Earthday celebration at Koreshan - Gene to coordinate

Chapter represented at RRR&R run by Dan Van Norman and Kelly. Thanks

Web report:

Calendar posts -suggestions to Mari via info@AudubonSWFL.org

PR/Flyways:

Winter edition of Flyways in final edit. Print 1800; mail Feb.

Big O flyer and Bird Flu cards for inserts for Flyways at printers.

Stationary available- envelopes, post cards, letterhead.

Old Business: Bird ID cards for Health Park provided to Gerri

New Business: Carol to represent chapter at AofF Bod meeting at Babcock 1/26,

Adjourn: 6:58

Program: 7pm Green Monster film co-hosted with Sierra

Audubon of SW Florida, Inc

Proposed slate for 2009 - take office March 19, 2009

President: Gerri Reaves

VP President - Carol Newcomb Jones

VP Treasurer - David Green

Secretary - Pete Quasius

Web Master - Pete, Mari Hanley (calendar coordinator)

Parliamentarian - Tony Miller

Programs - Gerri, Carl Veaux

Newsletter - Kelly Williamson (editor), Gerri, Carol

Festivals - Gene Csonka (Tony to assist in organizing Nov. 2009 eco-b'fast)

Trips - John Cassini

Hospitality - vacant

Education - Rebecca Austin, Tina Csonka , Gene, Kelly

Membership - Maria Quasius

Birdathon - vacant

Conservation - PQ (chair) , David, Carol, Tony, Fran