

Minutes: Meeting of the Board of Directors

Audubon of Southwest Florida, Inc. (ASWF)

April 18, 2024 at 5:15 pm on Zoom

Call to Order 5:35pm

Attendance (those attending in bold)

Gerri Reaves (P)	Brad Cornell	Vince McGrath (PP)
Dan VanNorman (VP)	Robin Serne	Pete Quasius (PP)
Jim Rodenfels (T)	Julie Motkowicz	

Guests: William Iannone

Minutes of March 21, 2024 meeting approved by unanimous consent.

Treasurer's Report/Jim: see emailed report; approved by unanimous consent.

Committee Reports

Conservation:

- Brad & Robin/LEICWA
- Robin/Shorebird Stewardship- final report has been submitted.
- Gerri/EvCo- discussed annual meeting
- Gerri/glass collisions- Unanimous consent to sign on to a letter by Jeannine Thiele, VP of Audubon Chapter of Minneapolis to Wild Birds Unlimited re: partnership to prevent bird-glass collisions and sell bird-safe products in stores
- Brad/Estero Bay Aquatic Preserve

Membership/Jim: See emailed report

Field Trips/Jim:

- See emailed report. Biking at Ding in March, Popash Slough in April.

Public Outreach/Jim (Publicity, Website, Social Media, & Newsletters):

- Shorebird report will be posted soon to website blog page. Bylaw revisions already online.
- Newsletter items due by April 25

Festivals, Conferences, & Other Events/Dan & Jim

- Lovers Key Earth Day this weekend.

Jim/Photo Contest. Contest is closed, 17 people entered photos. Judging in June.

National & State Audubon Updates:

- Robin/Plants for Birds grant closed
- Gerri/AF Presidents Call

New/Updated/Ongoing Business

- Robin/LCEC grant approved
 - Purple Martin workshop at CREW May 4th
- Discussion of Annual Meeting & Dinner on Saturday, June 1, at Collaboratory
 - Jim/Award update
 - Wording for award “Environmentalist of the Year” approved by unanimous consent.
 - Sponsorship letter

Adjournment 6:28 pm

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, May 16, 2024 on Zoom

Annotated and submitted by Robin Serne

On April 18, 2024