Minutes: Meeting of the Board of Directors Audubon of Southwest Florida, Inc. (ASWF) September 26, 2024 at 5:15 pm on Zoom

Call to Order 5:30 PM

Attendance (those attending in bold)

Gerri Reaves (P)Brad CornellVince McGrath (PP)Dan VanNorman (VP)Robin SernePete Quasius (PP)

Jim Rodenfels (T) Julie Motkowicz
Guests: Lona Philpot

Minutes of August 15, 2024 meeting approved by unanimous consent.

Treasurer's Report/Jim

Committee Reports

Conservation:

- Robin/ Recap LEICWA shorebird nesting season numbers
- Robin/Shorebird Stewardship: 2024 Fall dates set
- Dan/EvCo: votes; Fall Retreat; Annual Conference, Jan. 30-Feb. 1
- Gerri/glass collisions, Migration underway

Membership/Jim: No significant changes.

Field Trips/Jim: Caloosahatchee Creeks Preserve in August, Hawk Watch upcoming.

Public Outreach/Jim (Publicity, Website, Social Media, & Newsletters): Items for next Gmail blast due by September 25; website updates

Festivals, Conferences, & Other Events/Dan: Plan to attend Edison Fall Festival, Burrowing Owl Festival, and others.

Education/Jim: No Updates.

National & State Audubon Updates/Gerri:

- Audubon Assembly Nov 7-9 Daytona Beach; FPL Plants for Birds grants
- NAS Fall 2024 Chapter Grant Cycle now open; Grant proposals are due by Oct. 14

Old Business: None.

New/Updated/Ongoing Business:

• Approve Shorebird Steward & Assistant for fall & winter and funds to pay them

- Motion by Jim Rodenfels, Seconded by Robin Serne, Approved by unanimous consent.
- CBD's petition on MBTA
- Baseline funding update: No Changes to funding

Adjournment 6:05 PM

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, October 17, 2024 at 5:15 on Zoom

Annotated and submitted by Robin Serne On September 26, 2024