

# MINUTES OF THE EAST CASCADES AUDUBON SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

October 6, 2015

Date and Notice: The Board of Directors meeting was held at 6 pm on October 6, 2015, at The Environmental Center. All meeting dates for 2015 were established by the Board at its meeting on January 31, 2015, and a notice listing all dates was provided to members. A proposed agenda for the meeting was provided to the Board by email on September 29, 2015.

Attendance and Quorum: Present were Directors Ken Hashagen, Kevin Smith, Jan Rising, Terri Hyde, Ted Groszkiewicz, Karen Gentry, and Sherrie Pierce. Jon Putnam was excused. A quorum was present throughout the Board meeting.

## Reports and Discussion:

President Ken Hashagen convened the meeting at 6:00 pm. The September 1, 2015 minutes were approved.

The financial reports for August delivered electronically to the Board were reviewed by Treasurer Terri Hyde. There were no corrections or questions. The authorized small grant payments to various non-profit groups have been made.

An application for an organizational credit card has been approved by Bank of the Cascades. It was approved that two cards will be requested with the ECAS President and Treasurer as authorized signers.

A discussion was held regarding the Winter Raptor stipend payment.

Insurance quotes have been requested from several companies.

A Laughrige Grant request from Deschutes Land Trust was approved.

A report was heard on the recent membership drive at Wild Birds Unlimited.

The ECAS shirt inventory was discussed. Additional size medium shirts in dark green will be ordered.

Comments regarding the construction of a tunnel near the Entrada Lewis's Nest box site will be determined.

The Smartwaiver will not be pursued at this time

A report on the Website was heard. It is in place and functioning. Birding Oregon is now updated and other information is being added.

A report on the proposed Bend Solar project was heard regarding nest box placement.

An announcement of the upcoming Oregon Audubon Council meeting in Sutherlin was made. Possible attendees and conservation topics will be needed by October 26.

Nominations were made for the Annual Conservationist and Volunteer of the Year were made. Recipients were selected.

The Nominating Committee report was heard. Two candidates were accepted.

A report on the Annual Event preparations was heard by the Board.

Jan reported the purchase of promotional pamphlets from National Audubon.

A concern about communication with the High Desert Museum was discussed.

Actions Taken:

The September minutes were approved unanimously.

It was moved, seconded and approved unanimously that Treasurer Terri Hyde obtain two credit cards from Bank of the Cascades in ECAS' name. ECAS officers President Ken Hashagen and Treasurer Terri Hyde will be authorized signers with each card carrying a credit limit of \$1250..

It was moved, seconded and approved unanimously that a Laughrige Grant be given to Deschutes Land Trust for a \$1000 planting project.

It was moved, seconded and approved that Mike Golden be named Conservationist of the Year and that Miriam Lipsitz and Diana Roberts be given Volunteer of the Year awards for their work with the Membership Committee and Birders Night respectively.

It was moved, seconded and approved unanimously that Danielle Lordi and Tom Lawler be nominated for election to the ECAS Board Of Directors at the November 14, 2015 annual business meeting.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Approved at the Board meeting of-----, 2015.

Sherrie Pierce, Secretary