

MINUTES OF THE EAST CASCADES AUDUBON SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

October 2, 2018

Attendance and Quorum: Present were Ken Hashagen, Tom Lawler, Diane Burgess, Terri Hyde, Tom Penpraze, Diana Roberts, Carolyn Rochelle. A quorum was present throughout the board meeting. John Brune was absent. Also in attendance was Mary Ann Kruse.

Meeting called to order at 1:02 pm.

The September 4, 2018 Board Meeting minutes were approved.

1. Mary Ann Kruse shared a detailed report regarding the 2018 and 2019 budgets for the ECAS project Lights Out Bend. The Board approved (one member abstained) the requested increase in the 2018 budget for Lights Out Bend. The requested increase in Lights Out Bend's 2019 budget will be forwarded to the budget committee for an initial recommendation before action by the Board. The Board asks Lights Out Bend to seek other organizations to join ECAS in contributing to future funding.
2. Terri shared the latest financial information. Financial health is fine. The Umbrella Insurance Policy was issued to ECAS in June.
3. Tom Lawler shared information about using the Roundup App which allows a subscriber to donate the rounded up difference on credit card purchase to ECAS. He will write an article in the next Chatter explaining how to use the app to donate to ECAS.
4. Tom Penpraze will write a letter expressing ECAS's support of the ODFW land acquisition for Summer Lake Wildlife Area.
5. The Board decided it was okay to send email blasts to the membership regarding volunteer requests.
6. A spotting scope, formerly used by the Young Birders Club, is now in the ECAS storage shed for use at ECAS sponsored activities.
7. Information and directions for the Whiskey Springs birding location has been removed from the Birding Oregon section of the ECAS Webpage. The landowner is concerned about damage to the property.
8. The Woodpecker Festival 10 Year Permit was declined due to Outfitter and Guide activities on the Metolius Wild and Scenic Corridor. ECAS has a 5 year permit which expires at the end of 2023.

9. ECAS is waiting for information requested from the Malheur Field Station Manager needed to complete the grant application to support their water project.

10. Terri shared information about a request from FANS (Friends and Neighbors of Deschutes Canyon Area). They have requested a \$2,000 grant for a construction project for rock steps to Steelhead Falls. The Board has concerns as to the relevance of this request to ECAS. The Board is sending this back to the Grant Committee for further discussion and guidance.

11. The remainder of the meeting was spent in the planning of the Annual Event, Annual Meeting, and Board nominations.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:12 pm.

The minutes were taken and prepared for distribution to the board by Diane Burgess, ECAS Secretary.