

MINUTES OF THE EAST CASCADES AUDUBON SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

FEBRUARY 2, 2021

Date and Notice:

The Board of Directors virtual meeting was held on February 2, 2021 via Zoom due to Covid 19 restrictions. The meeting was called to order at 1:22 pm as the meeting was delayed from it's 1pm start time due to problems with some Board members being unable to access the Zoom meeting. An agenda for the meeting was provided to all Board members on February 1, 2021.

Attendance and Quorum:

Present were directors Tom Lawler, Gordon Wetzel, Bob Sizoo, Amanda Accamando, Jan Rising, Miriam Lipsitz, Jenny Mueller and Mary Shivell. Also in attendance, for part of the meeting was, Terri Hyde, previous ECAS Treasurer. A quorum was present throughout the meeting.

Reports and Discussion:

1- Motion: To approve the minutes from the December 2, 2020 Board meeting. (Rising/Sizoo). Motion approved unanimously.

2- Terri Hyde, ECAS Treasurer from 2014 through 2020 provided an end of 2020 year Financial report.

3- Board Officers were appointed for 2021:
Tom Lawler, President
Mary Shivell, Vice President
Gordon Wetzel, Treasurer
Amanda Accamando- Secretary, Corresponding
Jan Rising- Asst Secretary, Recording

The outgoing Board Officers for 2020 were:
Tom Lawler, President
Gordon Wetzel, Vice President
Terri Hyde, Treasurer
Diane Burgess, Secretary

4- New Board members were welcomed: Jenny Mueller, Miriam Lipsitz and Mary Shivell.

- 5- A brief review of Board notebooks for new Board members was provided..
- 6- Conflict of Interest signatures for all Board members was discussed.
- 7- Acquiring necessary signatures at ECAS bank- Mid Oregon Credit Union- for Board officers was discussed.
- 8- Brief discussion of Action and Strategic Plans occurred.
- 9- Motion: To approve a \$500 Grant request by OSU students for a corvid project. Grant to be paid from accumulated funds. (Rising/Wetzel) Motion was approved unanimously.
- 10- The Board discussed a request by Portland Audubon Council to sign a letter objecting to ODFW's plan to take raven nests and kill ravens in Baker County.
- 11- Birder's Night presentations for February and March were discussed.
- 12- The Board discussed the ongoing Pinyon Jay study conducted by Ken Hashagen and Kevin Smith.
- 13- The Board discussed Calliope publication date and using "links" for long articles.
- 14- The Board discussed Chuck Gates and Ken Hashagen's new ECAS website program "Nest and Young Photos".
- 15- ECAS's phone message/email address was discussed.
- 16- Website update regarding Sunriver and raptor rehabilitation was discussed.
- 17- ECAS website management was discussed.
- 18- Central Oregon Bird Checklist and the need for an update was discussed.
- 19- Jim Anderson's Nest Box pamphlet on our website was discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:18 pm.

Minutes prepared by Jan Rising

