MINUTES OF THE EAST CASCADES AUDUBON SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

December 3, 2019

Attendance and Quorum: Present were Tom Lawler, Diane Burgess, Diana Roberts, Tom Penpraaze, Garrett Durheim, and Gordon Wetzel. A quorum was present throughout the board meeting. Terri Hyde, Carolyn Rochelle, and Bob Sizoo were absent.

Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm. The November 5, 2019 Board Meeting minutes were approved.

1. Clare Stanfield attended the meeting for Claire Weiser. The Board shared topics to be considered for the next Calliope newsletter. The Board would like one ECAS project featured in each Calliope newsletter.

2. Marilynne Keyser shared an informative slideshow about FANS (Friends and Neighbors of Deschutes Canyon Area) and the Steelhead Falls Trail Reconstruction Project. An ECAS grant was helpful in that project.

3. John Brune had shared the latest financial reports via email. The financials will be discussed at the January ECAS Board Retreat.

4. Diane shared Jan Rising’s one page summary of the Membership Committee’s last meeting. There were many ideas about increasing membership and retaining current members. Garrett will be the Volunteer Coordinator liaison for the Board.

5. Board member Garrett Durheim will be the new Birders Night host and organizer.

6. The Board shared topics for the January Retreat: membership, Birders Night, Publicity, Annual Event speaker, field trips, classes, share activities with FANS and Sunriver Nature Center. The date of January 18 was suggested for the Board Retreat.

7. The Board wishes to thank Tom Penpraaze and Diana Roberts for their service and effort with the ECAS Board. They will not return in 2020 as their terms are up.

8. A bird survey has been completed at Warm Springs. This is related to their bird book project. They want to know about the progress of their grant application.

9. The Board unanimously approved the purchase of 10 birdhouses for Cabin Lake. Tom Lawler will manage this project. The birdhouses cost $100. The money will come from the Cabin Lake budget.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.

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

Approved at the January 18, 2020 Board meeting.