MINUTES OF THE EAST CASCADES AUDUBON SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Date and Notice: The Board of Directors meeting was held at 6 pm on June 2, 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 May 25, 2015.

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

Reports and Discussion:

President Ken Hashagen convened the meeting at 6:00 pm.

The May 5, 2015 minutes were approved.

Treasurer Terri Hyde reviewed the financial report for April delivered electronically to the Board. There were no corrections.

A review of our insurance policies has begun.

A National Audubon letter supporting the Migratory Bird Treaty Act was discussed. It was approved that ECAS sign on.

A National Audubon letter supporting the Federal conservation efforts for the Greater Sage-grouse was discussed. An email vote signing on to this letter will be taken.

A proposed Children’s Forest Nature Day next September was discussed. ECAS will participate.

Recent problems with Osprey nests on power poles were discussed. Thank you letters will be sent to Central Electric Cooperative and Pacific Power for their actions.

The Golden Eagle Cam Memo of Understanding with updated language was reviewed. Costs for internet support were reported.

Website Committee leader Ted Groszkiewicz reviewed the continuing progress of the website construction.

The Board heard a report on the Dean Hale Woodpecker Festival 15.

The July Potluck Picnic was discussed. Insurance liability issues need to be resolved

A report on the upcoming Annual Event was given.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Actions Taken:

The April minutes were approved unanimously.

It was moved, seconded and approved unanimously that ECAS send a National Audubon composed letter to the Secretary of the Interior supporting the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and its continuation.

It was moved, seconded and approved unanimously that ECAS take an email vote on the approval of sending a National Audubon suggested letter to the Secretary of the Interior encouraging continued support of the conservation and protection of the Greater Sage-grouse population.

It was moved, seconded and approved unanimously that ECAS participate in the Children’s Forest Activity Day on September 26, 2015.

It was moved, seconded and approved unanimously that ECAS send thank-you letters to Central Electric Cooperative and Pacific Power Company for their rapid response and efforts in providing protected nesting sites for local Osprey.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Approved at the Board meeting of July 7, 2015. Sherrie Pierce, Secretary