

NOTES OF THE EAST CASCADES AUDUBON SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

March 7, 2017

Date and Notice: The Board of Directors meeting was held at 6:00 p.m. on March 7, 2017, at The Environmental Center. All meeting dates for 2017 were established by the Board at its meeting on February 11, 2017, and a notice listing all dates was provided to members. An agenda for the meeting was provided to the Board personally at beginning of the meeting.

Attendance and Quorum: Present were Directors Ken Hashagen, John Brune, Danielle Lordi, Tom Lawler, Terri Hyde, Diana Roberts, and Tom Penpraze. Ted Groszkiewicz was absent. A quorum was present throughout the Board meeting.

Reports and Discussion:

1. President Ken Hashagen convened the meeting at 6:10 p.m. The February 11, 2017, Board Retreat meeting minutes were approved unanimously.
2. The financial reports for January 2017 were delivered electronically on March 3, 2017, to the Board and were discussed. No questions or concerns expressed.
3. Strategic Plan. It was decided that we will mark up and comment on the 2016 Action Plan and submit to Ken, to be considered at April meeting. Possibility of half-day strategic planning meeting to come up with 2017 Action Plan.
4. Eagle Cam/AngelCam/Credit Card. Camera is up and running; needs to be adjusted by Jim Hammond. Bird is on the nest.
5. Smith Rock Letter of Support. Drafted by David Vick; Ken submitted with ECAS signature.
6. Grant Requests. Mosquito traps (\$1,000): moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to purchase mosquito traps for use in scientific monitoring project with \$1,000 of Laughrige funds; binoculars for Sunriver Nature Center bird walks (\$500): moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to purchase binoculars for use of Sunriver Nature Center walks with \$500 from accumulated funds (Tom Lawler left the room during vote); Grant to Golden Eagle Foundation (\$1,000): moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to make a grant of \$1,000 of Laughrige funds to Foundation for purpose of reimbursing expenses, volunteers, and mileage
7. Change to Investment Strategy. Discussed moving some money around from short-term to long-term funds as well as possibly changing from Calvert to other socially responsible fund with lower fees. No proposal at this point; Terri and John will research and bring proposal to Board at April meeting.
8. Status of Flight Cage. Replacement entity replacing HDR&R would like to keep the flight cage. Member of new Board has promised to submit the report. Ken will continue to follow up with her.
9. Volunteer Recognition. Whether to approve Membership Committee proposal to purchase blank cards with ECAS logo for purposes of thanking volunteers: moved, seconded, and approved

unanimously to authorize expenditure of up to \$270 to purchase cards and increase membership committee budget to cover the expense.

10. Elise Wolf Training. Elise has asked that we pay for room rental and advertise an event that she will be hosting regarding caring for baby birds. It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to pay \$30 room rental fee for Environment Center for April 11 baby bird program.

11. Miscellaneous

- a. Sherrie has asked that someone else take over the following tasks: (1) overall organization of annual event (Ken); (2) transporting items for Earth Day (will think about who might do this and come back to April meeting with suggestions); (3) updating annual report (Diana); and (4) organizing the July picnic (Danielle)
- b. Whether to have grant submission period or keep submission process open was discussed; was referred to grants committee to report at April meeting.
- c. DLT has requested ECAS do monthly visit to Whychus Creek restoration area with Land Trust staff and conduct bird survey. Consensus of support. Tom P. will follow up.
- d. Conservation Committee Report. (1) It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to authorize expenditure of up to \$750 in Laughrige funds to purchase poop screens as need arises. (2) Marty's plan to put in a birding trail and a blind in the Summer Lake refuge area was discussed; consensus of support. (3) Purchase and sale of bird houses constructed by La Pine High School students discussed; consensus of support.
- e. Ken is working on recruiting volunteers for a BLM sage species survey (point count).

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Actions Taken:

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to approve the February 11, 2017 Retreat minutes.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to approve following grants: \$1,000 to purchase mosquito traps with \$1,000 from Laughrige funds; \$500 from accumulated funds to purchase ECAS-owned binoculars for use at Sunriver Nature Center walks (Tom Lawler absent during vote, abstaining); \$1,000 grant to Golden Eagle Foundation from Laughrige funds for purpose of reimbursing expenses, volunteers, and mileage

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to authorize expenditure of up to \$270 to purchase blank cards to send to volunteers and to increase membership committee budget to cover the expense.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to pay \$30 Environment Center room rental fee Elise Wolf's April 11 baby bird care education program.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to authorize expenditure from Laughrige funds up to \$750 to purchase additional poo screens.

Approved at the Board meeting of April 4, 2017

Danielle Lordi, Recording Secretary