

THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

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Executive Board Meeting 23 February 2014

- Attendance: Silka Kempema, Mark Norton, Nathan Baker, and Troy Grovenburg
- Kempema called meeting to order at 7:15 PM (Oacoma)

• Old Business

- Grovenburg provided minutes from the previous board meeting for review. Grovenburg will make final edits. Norton made motion to approve, Baker seconded. Motion carried.
- Grovenburg provided annual financial statement for board to review.
 Norton made motion to approve, Baker seconded. Motion carried.
- o Annual meeting any last minute items?
 - Board reviewed the agenda for the final time
 - Board reviewed the agenda for the annual business meeting
- o GPNSS workshops
 - Will review at business meeting with members
 - 15 March deadline (rough) to have proposal to GPNSS
- o Chair of wetland committee
 - Chair already appointed (Ben Bigalke); discussion not necessary
- Letter was sent regarding proposed listing of long-eared bat and two butterflies
- o Kempema received a thank you letter from Bald Eagle Awareness days and shared it with the board

• New Business

- Board reviewed the annual report from Audubon Dakota (informational item)
- Credit card machine
 - Board discussed the possibility of acquiring a credit card machine for transactions.
 - Grovenburg provided estimated costs and board discussed benefits
 - Board decided that it was probably not justified at this time

- o Conduct audit for business meeting
 - Runia was not at the board meeting. Board decided Runia would conduct the audit during the annual business meeting
- o Chair of Resolutions and Public Statements Committee
 - Board discussed ideas of who to ask to chair the committee
- Chair of Certification Committee
 - Board discussed ideas of who to ask to chair the committee
- o Chair of Biofuels Committee
 - Board discussed ideas of who to ask to chair the committee
 - Board discussed idea of possibly merging wind energy and biofuels into an energy committee
 - Board was unsure of the process for creating and disbanding committees
 - Kempema will ask Kurt Foreman for advice
 - Currently, Kent Jensen is chair of wind energy committee
- o Any other new business?
 - Board received a letter from grasslands committee
 - Proposal to modify CRP use to allow fire use until 31 May
 - Low percent currently burn because they can only burn until 1 May
 - Kempema will forward letter to board for review.
- Norton made motion to adjourn, Grovenburg seconded. Motion carried.
 - o Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.