



# Wetlands Working Group

The Wildlife Society

**Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

**March 11, 2016; 9-10 am CT**

I. Call to order

Adonia Henry called the conference call to order

Officers in attendance: Auriel Fournier, Adonia Henry

II. Transfer of duties

ACTION ITEMS:

Auriel – Needs to talk to Jen to get our EIN to finish the IRS Postcard and talk to Jen about getting the checks transferred

III. Website

ACTION ITEMS:

Adonia – Working with TWS to get our site transferred to the new system, it is up and running now, still needs some tweeks, Adonia is working on this. <http://wildlife.org/wwg/>

IV. Newsletter

Next newsletter will be in April

Looking for Policy and other wetland-related updates (short pieces)

Will include the new Facebook page in both the newsletter and the email

ACTION ITEMS:

Adonia – Coordinate with authors on feature article; follow-up on NWP

Adonia & Jen – MBTA 100 anniversary article

Jen – ASWM meeting summary

Auriel – NSF legislation

All – review CAN newsletter and other sources for articles

Send materials to Adonia by March 25<sup>th</sup>

FUTURE NEWSLETTERS

August Newsletter will be US focused

Possibly on the gulf coast since we have interest from people who are willing to write on that  
December Newsletter will be Mexico focused

Adonia has leads on who will write the feature article

V. TWS Position statement

Will work on updating this with new information, which will not substantially change the policies, just  
increase the information

ACTION ITEMS:

Adonia will follow up with and see where in the process council is with this statement and if they  
want/need our input

VI. Facebook

The page is up and running. We can pin working group specific posts (such as newsletters) to the  
top of the page so that members can post other material and have discussions without burying the  
material we want everyone to see.

ACTION ITEMS:

Auriel – Get some new posts up

VII. Wetland field trip for 2016 National meeting

The planning committee for the conference has already decided on fieldtrips

Action Items

Adonia – Look into how we can get involved with fieldtrips for the 2017 meeting

VIII. Reaching out to other societies/sections

ACTION ITEMS

Auriel – SWS wildlife group, will reach out at the SWS meeting in May

IX. Survey the membership

Aim is to send out the survey with the April newsletter

Will use SurveyMonkey to run the survey

Adonia is working on list of questions

ACTION ITEMS:

Adonia – send out questions to other officers for comment

Auriel – Once the questions are set put them up on survey monkey

X. Dues Change Form

- a. If we are going to change dues we need to submit that form by April 30<sup>th</sup>
- b. Discuss at next meeting

XI. Travel Grant

- a. We did this last year, we will send similar information to Mariah Simmons who is compiling information from all working groups for a centralized TWS on-line resources and put out the formal announcement on our website in mid-summer. Travel award will cover pre-registration for one student to attend the TWS National Conference.
- b. Adonia will send the information to the ECR list compilers

XII. Working Group Annual meeting at TWS National Conference

- a. Need to decide on date/time
- b. Do this at the next meeting

XIII. Workshop List

- a. TWS working on compiling a list of workshops, what worked what didn't
- b. Heath said WWG did not sponsor any workshops historically, but did organize a symposium at the 6<sup>th</sup> NADS conference.

XIV. Next meeting April 1<sup>st</sup> in the morning once we confirm with Jennifer and Lisa

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