



Wetlands Working Group

The Wildlife Society

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

9 September 2016 – 11 am CT

In attendance: Adonia Henry, Lisa Webb (Auriel Fournier update by email)

I. NEWSLETTER

- a. August 2016 delayed until September
- b. ACTION ITEMS
 - Lisa – State of the Birds Report update due 9/16
 - Jen – USACE decision article?
 - Auriel – submitted article notice for SWS Arid Wetlands symposium
 - Adonia – include call for photos from members
 - Adonia - Compile and distribute week of Sept 19th
- c. December 2016 – Feature article on wetlands in Mexico
- d. ACTION ITEMS
 - All articles due: Nov 21
 - Adonia – Email Scott Yaich reminder about feature article
 - All – other topics to include (discuss at October meeting)

II. MEMBERSHIP SURVEY

- a. Questions finalized by board
- b. Survey created on Survey Monkey
- c. ACTION ITEMS
 - Adonia – include link in newsletter; 2 week comment period
 - Auriel – compile results

III. 2016 NATIONAL CONFERENCE

- a. WWG booth – exhibitor set-up Sunday 9am-4pm; paid for, requested booth near food table, have not received notice of location;
- b. WWG Chico bags – sell for \$10 each or \$5 with new membership
- c. ACTION ITEMS
 - Lisa – order 100 bags (50 white logo, 50 blue logo; \$625) & bring to conference
 - Lisa – bring map, pins, & string to show locations of members; string from photo to location; bring checks from Auriel
 - Adonia – order logo banner, buy chocolate/candy, bring cash for change
 - Adonia – print copies of newsletters and member photos, bring cash for change
 - Adonia – put together schedule for members to help with booth

IV. 2017 NATIONAL CONFERENCE

- a. Wetland field trip – need to submit with workshop request; co sponsor with WHRWG

- b. Sponsor Best Wetland Photo during photo competition – WWG can use photos for website or other uses
- V. GMAIL ACCOUNT FOR WWG WITH GOOGLE DRIVE
 - a. ACTION ITEMS
 - Adonia – set up account
 - Lisa – check if Heath used a google drive
 - Jen – add older documents to google drive
- VI. WEBSITE
 - a. ACTION ITEMS
 - Jen & Adonia – compile links to other sources of wetland news rather than maintaining our own summaries
- VII. DUES CHANGE FORM – will providing free student membership increase participation? Discuss at annual meeting
- VIII. 2016 TRAVEL GRANT AWARD
 - a. Awarded to Julia Guyton; Winner and non-winners notified July 15
 - b. ACTION ITEMS
 - Adonia – print certificate for winner
 - Lisa – bring reimbursement check for winner; hold 4 tote bags to give to applicants
- IX. WWG ANNUAL MEETING
 - a. Tuesday, Oct 18, 2016; 1:30-3:30, Room RCC 402
 - b. “BRING A FRIEND”
 - c. Vote on vice chair (if we get a nomination)
 - d. Results of member survey
 - e. Recognize travel grant recipient
 - f. Raffle for photo? (Adonia will bring a framed photo)
- X. COUNCIL REPORT due Monday 9/12 (Adonia will draft)
- XI. NEXT EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING, October 7, 2016; 10 am MT/11 am CT

OTHER ONGOING BUSINESS

- XII. TWS Position Statement – TWS will let us know if/when they need help; include request in council report
- XIII. Facebook page – continue to post wetland information to increase activity
- XIV. Collaborate with SWS 2018 Arid Wetlands Symposium – Auriel is lead contact for keeping up to date with SWS Wildlife Section on planning for symposium
- XV. Other opportunities to collaborate with other Societies/Sections