



## THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

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### Executive Board Meeting, 20 November 2018 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM (CST) Conference Call

*Solem Called to Order at 10:05am*

*Present: Solem, Magedanz, Pauly, Markl, Ermer, Stafford*

- Secretary/Treasurer's Report
  - Approval of minutes from last executive board meeting (8/31/18)
    - *Motion to approve by Magedanz*
    - *Second by Markl*
    - *All in favor*
  - Approval of Treasurer's report
    - *Motion to approve by Pauly*
    - *Second by Stafford*
    - *All in favor*
- Old Business
  - 2019 Annual Meeting Update
    - *Award Nominations- Solem will work with Nathan Baker for announcement to solicit nominations*
    - *Attendance and Recruitment- continue to reach out to conservation groups and others*
    - *Contact potential meeting sponsors-*
      - *Truax- Solem*
      - *Safari Club- Solem/Pauly*
      - *Crop Production Services- Solem/Pauly*
      - *Millborn- Pauly*
      - *Ducks Unlimited- Stafford*
      - *Pheasants Forever- Megadanz*
      - *Great Plains Manufacturing- Megadanz*
    - *Agenda update*
      - *Need to send out Call for Abstracts; deadline for last year was December 15. Deadline was extended.*
      - *Invited speakers confirmed; special session speakers confirmed; keynote confirmed*
      - *Confirm rooms needed for special speakers – will reserve rooms next board meeting at Arrowwood*
    - *Fundraising – Ben Lardy Raffles*

- *working on prizes, donations*
  - *if possible get list of prizes listed in winter newsletter*
- **New Business**
  - Annual Conference report to board
    - *Solem attended annual TWS conference*
    - *First TWS he ever attended; good experience; great talks; lots diversity in topics; a few other SD folks attended*
    - *2019 will be joint TWS and AFS*
  - New members
    - *Ermer acknowledged recent new members: Chad Switzer and Cheryl Mandich*
  - 2019 Annual Meeting Planning
    - Registration fees
      - *2018 Fees: \$100 general, \$50 1-day, \$35 student or retiree, \$11 lunch, \$15 banquet; will keep same fees for 2019 meeting*
      - *Ermer to get new registration printed; add "FREE" student membership if attending a SD college/university*
      - *Remove T-shirt and Cooler costs from registration due to only a limited number of items remaining; will just sell items at meeting*
      - *Any suggestions for improving online registration?*
        - *Need registrants name included on online form*
        - *Board will look into various options*
        - *Online registration will be available sometime in January*
    - *Menu and accommodations*
      - *Meet with Kathi- Megadanz set up for middle January*
    - *Gay Simpson print*
      - *Ermer will contact Jesse Lisburg to bring to annual meeting*
    - *Banners, name tags, woodduck box game, etc.*
      - *Solem has these and will bring items*
      - *Contact Julie DeJong (or someone from GFP office in Sioux Falls) for photo display board*
  - Executive Board Candidates
    - *Everyone be thinking of and soliciting candidates*
    - *President-elect*
      - *So far one possible candidate*
    - *Board member*
      - *So far one possible candidate*
    - *Secretary/Treasurer*
      - *No candidate yet*
  - Upcoming TWS Newsletter
    - *TWS Conference review*
    - *Highlight Keynote and Special Session for 2019 annual meeting*
    - *Photo contest submissions*
    - *Highlight fundraising format; list of prizes for Game night*

- *Call for candidates (President elect, Board, Secretary/Treasurer)*
- *Call for abstracts*
- *Online Grant application opportunity*
- *Distribute to SDSU and mailing list*
- *Ermer will email Mariah Simmons to add upcoming annual meeting dates to website*

Motion to Adjourn by Markl; Magedanz second.  
Meeting adjourned 11:20am