

Colorado Chapter of The Wildlife Society
September Board Meeting
10 September 2020
Conference Call

Present: Nathan Galloway, Nate Bickford, Jesse McCarty, Marcella Tarantino, John Hughes, Kathy Griffin, Sara Kramer, Emily Latta, Casey Setash, Pat Magee, Mark Fletcher

1. September Newsletter
 - a. Still needed:
 - i. Call for Scholarships
 - ii. Jim Olterman Scholarship announcement
 - iii. MBTA updates piece
 1. Nathan will reach out to Nate Jones.
 - iv. Wolf Reintroduction
 1. The newsletter will include three pieces on wolf reintroduction.
 - a. For reintroduction
 - b. Against reintroduction
 - c. Legal aspects of reintroduction
2. Jim Olterman Plaque
 - a. Kathy is having a hard time getting memorial makers to cooperate.
 - b. Mark knows someone with a metal fabrication workshop who may be willing to donate time and materials to the memorial. This would have to be in the form of a metal bench. CCTWS would then secure a plaque(s) to attach to the bench.
 - c. Mark will look into the costs and timeline of a metal bench. Kathy will try to get a cost estimate for a Jim Olterman biography plaque and a donor plaque. Pat has a list of donors with a donor amount.
 - d. In January 2019, the board voted to approve spending \$4,675 on the plaque plus possible additional expenses for engraving etc.
3. CCTWS Investments – Pat
 - a. Pat has given an update regarding CCTWS investments. This information is available in the August meeting minutes. There is currently \$830 available for scholarships.
4. DEII Committee - Pat
 - a. Pat has formed a CCTWS Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Internationalization Committee.
 - b. Committee members include: Liz Peterson, Erin Blair, Courtney King, and Gary White (President of TWS).
 - c. Pat would like board members to volunteer to be on the committee.
 - d. The committee is working on a position statement and identifying specific ways to demonstrate DEII values. The committee would also like to develop a DEII training.
5. Annual Meeting
 - a. The board held a discussion on an in-person vs virtual annual meeting and decided that it is time to make an official decision. There is general consensus among board members

that an in-person meeting will likely not be possible and may not be legal in Colorado by February.

- b. Nate has made a motion to cancel preparations for an in-person meeting. Kathy seconds the motion. The board votes and the motion is approved (10-0-0).**
 - c. Nathan will prepare an announcement for the newsletter and will also mention the decision in the President's Column.
 - d. Sara, Nate, and Andrew are working on a membership survey regarding what members would like to see in a virtual meeting.
 - e. Nathan has made a call for virtual meeting ideas. Please email Nathan and copy the board with ideas. Nathan would like to start an email chain with annual meeting ideas to avoid overly lengthy discussions in upcoming meetings.
 - f. Nate will communicate our decision with RiversEdge West.
6. Action Items
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