

## Wetlands Working Group

The Wildlife Society

Officer Meeting Minutes Monday June 8, 2020 Virtual Meeting

**Attendees (4 members)** 

Chair: Drew Fowler

Vice-Chair: Phillip Stevenson

Past Chair: Johanna Duffy

Secretary/Treasurer: Kelly Reiss

- 1. Officer nomination procedure options (nominations in our Google Drive)
  - a. Nominations
    - i. 2 nominations for vice-chair: Max Larreur, Jay VonBank
    - ii. 1 nomination for secretary-treasurer: Adonia Henry
    - iii. Ask for photos (Drew to follow-up)
  - b. Voting send bios and TWS will send out coordinated through Phillip
  - c. Timing
    - i. Reach out to Mariah @June 15 to see if TWS has plans for membership and zoom meetings (Drew to follow-up)
    - ii. Notice to members 30-days prior to vote –Article IV, Section 1, Clause B in Charter
  - d. Discussed holding Zoom annual membership meeting in coordination with virtual conference

## 2. Finances

- a. \$164.00 in US Bank account on June 8, 2020
- b. \$1,781.77 in Ally Account on June 8, 2020
  - i. 3 recent \$100 payments each to 2019 travel award recipients
  - ii. Expects check for \$20 for the reusable bags (from member)
- c. Holding to see elections results options:
  - i. Keep both accounts open and then consolidate accounts after elections
  - ii. One possibility is to transfer WWG funds into TWS account and then we would ask TWS directly for checks as needed
- 3. Student travel award submissions
  - a. 2 submissions: Joe Drake, Trey McClinton
  - b. Still unknown what costs for virtual conference registration will be TWS to send membership additional information June 15

- c. Each board member to review two submissions and reply to email from Drew regarding support or not (Johanna, Phillip, and Kelly to respond to Drew post June 15 guidance on committee)
- d. DEADLINE: Reach out to both students on or before June 21, 2020, deadline we established in newsletter (follow-up Drew)
- 4. Timeline for next newsletter
  - a. After conference (Sept. 27-Oct. 1) and elections
  - b. Target release is end of October
  - c. Starting to find feature articles (follow-up Drew)
  - d. What should go in the newsletter (follow-up Phillip)
  - e. Idea: spotlight on TWS WWG meet our members short article/photo
- 5. Review if Phillip got feedback from members on what they want out of the WWG
  - a. Last newsletter feedback
    - i. No feedback returned from email request when newsletter was sent out with Phillip's contact email
    - ii. 5-6 emails came back to Drew acknowledging the newsletter
- 6. Consider outreach options
  - a. Summer correspondence with members on existing options
    - i. Virtual feral pig conference as an example
    - ii. Alberta Chapter has a Lunch & Learn
  - b. Host TWS WWG "conference" or webinar have on zoom, record, and host on YouTube
    - i. Summer webinar Joe Drake has volunteered to host a webinar on his work (Drew and Phillip to follow-up)
    - ii. TWS WWG logo or backdrop for zoom room (Kelly typed this and forgot to mention in meeting)
    - iii. Reach out to Jamila, TWS certification contact (Phillip follow-up)
- 7. Next meeting July 14, 2020
  - a. Will handle student travel award decisions by email
  - b. Schedule zoom meeting (Johanna to follow-up)

Minutes prepared by Kelly Reiss