



Wetlands Working Group

The Wildlife Society

**Officer Meeting Minutes
Monday July 14, 2020
Virtual Meeting**

Attendees (3 members)

Chair: Drew Fowler

Vice-Chair: Phillip Stevenson

Past Chair: Johanna Duffy

1. Annual Virtual Meeting – hoping to secure virtual meeting on September 29th from 11:30-1:00 CDT.
 - a. Phillip reached out to Kerrell Dunsmore to schedule this meeting. Kerrell has not confirmed this date yet though.
 - b. Regarding officer elections, the three of us thought that we should publish the nominees bio's 30 days out from the date of the virtual annual meeting. We would also invite the nominees to give a 3-5 minute introduction to the group about themselves, their work, etc. and vision for WWG. Subsequent to the virtual meeting, we would open up the 14 day voting period for officers.
 - c. Depending on the platform TWS uses to host virtual meetings, Johanna suggested that we may be able to provide real time polling to gauge member interest in various discussion points.
2. Membership Outreach
 - a. We discussed ways to engage with members online to better connect one another as WWG members. Two ideas were discussed:
 - i. Contacting TWS about the possibility to post selected presentations from prior TWS meetings that were recorded on a private YouTube channel to provide technical content to members. Phillip is going to contact TWS and see if they will consider this.
 - ii. On the same YouTube channel we'd like to see if there is a way to host 3-5 "Meet your fellow WWG" videos. These videos would be self-recorded by members and be an informational on who they are, what they do, their technical interests, what they want from WWG, and how they can help, etc. Phillip will look into what it takes to create a YouTube channel and possible see if Casey could assist with this. Board members would likely lead by example and create videos to be demoed at the Fall annual meeting.

3. Finances
 - a. \$1,801.99 in Ally Account on July 7, 2020
 - i. Received check for \$20 for the reusable bags (from member)
 - ii. Mentioned that we intended to hold both the Ally and US Banks open until new treasury officer elected in Fall 2020.
4. Student travel award submissions
 - a. Both Joe Drake and Trey McClinton were contacted before June 21 to let them know they were awarded and earlier registration reimbursement for upcoming TWS virtual meeting.
 - b. Drew will send a check for \$100 to each of them once confirmation of event registration is received.
5. Timeline for next newsletter
 - a. After conference (Sept. 27-Oct. 1) and elections
 - b. Target release is end of October: Should shoot for early September to get raw content to Adonia.
 - c. Starting to find feature articles (follow-up Drew)
 - i. Drew reached out to Adonia on a possibly lead for another feature article. Drew will follow up with officers in the next two weeks on development.
 - d. What should go in the newsletter (follow-up Phillip)
6. Next meeting August 4, 2020 – 2:00 CDT
 - a. Zoom link - <https://zoom.us/j/91277212734>

Minutes prepared by Drew Fowler