**Colorado Chapter of The Wildlife Society**

**March Board Meeting**

**9am, Thursday March 11th, 2021**

**Conference Call (Zoom Meeting)**

Board Members Present: Nathan Galloway, Nate Bickford, Matt Rustand, Marcella Tarantino, Andrew Don Carlos, Sara Kramer, Emily Latta, Kathy Griffin, Casey Setash, Mark Fletcher

Guests: Christine Rhodes, Nate Jones, Remi Pattyn, Angeline Canney, Chloe Beaupre

1. Treasurer’s Report
   1. We incur a $20 per month bank fee from Bank of the West for our business account.
   2. The chapter is incurring a $50 per month charge from MemberPlanet.
   3. All student chapter support and grants have been awarded.
   4. A deposit of $1,946.55 was made from the Jim Olterman Scholarship Fund to the checking account to be used for a scholarship award. In addition, Robin Olterman donated $500 on December 2020 to bolster the 2021 scholarship award. Therefore, a $2,446.55 scholarship needs to be awarded.
   5. After a review of past minutes, $4,675 was maximum amount to be allocated to Jim Oterman Memorial.
   6. Matt has prepared a draft budget proposal for FY21-22 to be presented to the board.
      1. The new budget includes a substantial reduction in the operating budget because last year’s meeting did not make a profit and we were unable to have an in person meeting this year.
      2. Even with the reduction, we will need to pull $6450 from the reserve and we owe the scholarship fund $8900. This means that over the next few years, we will need to add approximately $15000 to the reserve.
      3. Nate has suggested making a goal or replacing $2000 per year going forward. Nathan would like the board to make sure that the budget reduction is short term.
      4. Nate motions to accept the budget with a revision of $5500 to be allocated to the Jim Olterman memorial. Kathy seconds the motion. The board votes and the motion is approved (10-0-0).
   7. Account totals as of 27 February 2021:
      1. Checking account - $8,990.51
      2. Reserve Fund Money Market - $35,230.84
      3. Savings Account – $508.83
      4. PayPal Account - $2,296.12 (membership renewals and 2021 workshop registrations)
      5. CCTWS Target Reserve for 2021 - $37,217.42 (Reserve Fund and Savings account)
2. Secretary’s Report – February Minutes
   1. No edits or revisions were received for the February minutes.
   2. **Nate motions to approve the meeting minutes. Nathan seconds the motion. The board votes and the minutes are accepted (10-0-0).**
3. CCTWS Awards
   1. Nate has suggested putting a list of past award recipients on the CCTWS website. The board agrees that this would be a good addition to the website. We will add this to list of future agenda items.
4. Volunteer Website
   1. Nate has suggested creating a website that includes a list of people willing to volunteer and information regarding volunteer opportunities.
   2. The website would focus on workshops, trainings, and special events.
   3. The board agrees that this could be great for professional development.
   4. The Professional Development Committee is going to develop this idea and will present it to the board.
5. Jim Olterman Memorial
   1. The memorial costs are going to be closer to $5500.
   2. **Kathy motions to increase the spending limit to $5500. Nate seconds the motion. The board votes and the motion is approved (10-0-0).**
6. Annual Meeting
   1. Screening event of Deer 139
      1. The screening was a success with 78 people in attendance.
   2. Membership announcements (email blasts)
      1. Marcella will be the point of contact for presentation announcements.
   3. Plenary
      1. Nathan is looking into speakers for a diversity presentation.
      2. Nate has another speaker that could be a back up or we may have both speak.
   4. Photo Contest
      1. We have received 12 submissions.
      2. Voting will take place April 1st.
   5. Student Presentations
      1. We have 4 student presentations this year. All are undergrad students.
      2. We will be giving two $50 awards.
      3. Andrew is looking for two more judges and will send an email to the board looking for volunteers.
   6. Business Meeting
      1. Please email Nathan with items that you would like to see presented in the 2021 business meeting.
   7. Sponsors
      1. Wildlife Acoustics is not able to sponsor the meeting this year, but offered to donate a unit for raffle. Matt declined the unit as we are not holding a raffle this year.
7. Reconciliation of Committee Chairs – Place Holder
   1. We need to reestablish communication with some of our Committee Chairs after the annual meeting.

**Next Meeting – 9am, Thursday, April 8th, 2021**

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