**Colorado Chapter of The Wildlife Society**

**August Board Meeting**

**2pm, Tuesday August 3rd, 2021**

**Conference Call (Zoom Meeting)**

Board Members Present: Nate Bickford, Nate Jones, Kathy Griffin, Mark Fletcher, Nate Galloway, Andrew Don Carlos, Casey Setash, Christine Rhodes, Sara Kramer, Emily Latta

Guests: Katie Grey, Aleshia Rummel, Grace Abbett, Austin Barnes, Alyssa Rawinski

1. Secretary Report
	1. There were no revisions to the July meeting minutes.
		1. **Kathy motions to approve the June meeting minutes. Galloway seconds the motion. The board votes and the minutes are accepted (9-0-0).**
2. August 2021 Treasurer Report
	1. Incurred a $20/month bank fee from Bank of the West for our business account
	2. The chapter incurred a $50 per month charge from MemberPlanet, a membership management website, that was withdrawn from the board’s operating budget.
	3. Received a direct deposit of $675 from TWS national from membership fees collected. This transaction occurs quarterly and is of varying amounts, dependent upon membership subscription/renewal.
	4. CCTWS board meeting to plan the 2022 CCTWS annual meeting occurred in mid-July. Lunch was provided for $90 from the board’s operating budget.
	5. As of 8 August 2021
		1. Checking account - $10,205.71
		2. Reserve Fund Money Market - $35,232.59
		3. Savings Account – $508.83
		4. PayPal Account - $11.49
		5. CCTWS Target Reserve for 2021 - $37,217.42 (Reserve Fund and Savings account)
3. CCTWS Committees
	1. Jones is planning to invite a different committee chair to each monthly board meeting. This month’s chair is Katie.
		1. Katie would like the board to set aside time at the beginning for student affairs. This way the representatives from the student chapters don’t have to attend the entire meeting.
		2. Katie would like board members to send her a short biography that she can send to the student chapters. Katie will also have the students write a short biography to send to the board.
		3. Katie would like to help develop a workshop series for students and will work with the Professional Development Committee in this effort.
			1. We have a survey that was developed to get ideas for student workshops. Katie and Andrew will redistribute the survey.
	2. We are still looking for someone to lead the Professional Awards Committee.
4. Lesser Prairie Chicken
	1. This species has been proposed for listing under the Endangered Species Act and the comment period is now open.
	2. Bickford would like CCTWS to submit comments in favor of listing.
	3. Jones will start an email chain to help develop a letter.
5. Website updates
	1. Jones has developed a spreadsheet that is saved in the CCTWS google drive. Board members can enter suggested updates in this document.
6. CCTWS Investments
	1. Bickford would like to table discussions on investments until more members are present.
7. TWS Slack Workspace
	1. TWS has created a slack workspace and needs tow members from the board to represent CCTWS.
	2. Bickford and Jones will be the CCTWS representatives.
8. Annual Meeting
	1. Venue
		1. The cost of renting a space at CMU will be $4200 for all three days of the meeting. Jones will look into costs for catering, AV equipment, and hotels.
		2. Kathy will tour the facility.
	2. Casey would like to put together a conference book club and will lead this effort. Casey has several books in mind and will put together an announcement for the next newsletter.
	3. Sara would like to develop some SWAG for the meeting.
		1. This could be tee-shirts, hats, etc. with the CCTWS logo.
		2. Katie will organize a student contest for a shirt design.

**Next Meeting – 2pm, Tuesday, September 7th, 2021**

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