

Attending: Brad Baum, Susan Schuller, Karen Dostal, Ned Grossnickle, Bob Lane, Jan Seiler, Joe Schultz, Anne Graham, Janet Smith, Brad Branwell-Z, Rob Pendergast, Anthony Martynski (new), and Scott Reilly (new)

Meeting called to order 7:02pm

Notes:

Introductions of board members to new members

Approval of April Minutes: Motion made by Janet S., 2nd by Bob L. Motion carried and approved.

Treasure's Report: Nothing too major to report on from Jan S. Filed for audit.

Announcements:

Everything is ready to go for next week's program with Meleesa.

Dates for next year's meetings and programs are set.

Meeting dates for 24-25: 9/11, 10/9, 11/13, 1/8, 2/12, 3/12, 4/9, 5/14

Program dates for 24-25: 9/18, 10/16, 11/20, 1/15, 2/19, 3/19, 4/16, 5/21

Discussion Items:

Program Synopsis: Top 8 programs were voted on! Programs committee will contact the prospective speakers and get things set up over the summer. Joe, Bob, Brad B-Z, Susan on the committee.

Garden Parade: July 13th. Need someone to table at that for half of the day. They let us know what garden to meet at. Set up our Audubon display. Brad B-Z if available and Anthony. Susan will send Brad the contact's information from the person in charge.

Action Items:

1: Alan Haney's book publication. Need ideas of possible title. Printing 500 copies. Can pay for publishing from our assets rather than pulling from the agency fund. Karen wants to scratch this action item off.

2: Discretionary Funding; Keeping list of organizations the same as last year. Jan will send checks out.

Announcement/Addition from Anne Graham:

Koziczowski Park: pull garlic mustard on Sunday morning. 10-noon. Project is looking good otherwise.

Committee Reports:

Newsletter:

Mail copy was sent out.

Field trips:

What's up on the Bluff (2 people RSVP'd)

Junior Audubon cancelled this year

Looking for people to help be on the field trip committee planning; Karen, Rob, Susan, Scott and Anthony.

Red-shouldered hawk trip (5 people RSVP'd) limited to 12 people. Need 2-3 turkey blinds to borrow.

Bison and Butterflies

Wetlands along the Little Plover River with Tracy Hames

Conservation:

Sierra Club: "Against the Wind." Climate delayism

National Geographic: "Lending Aid to Lemurs" Changing humans' diets from lemurs to bugs in Madagascar to help save lemurs.

National Geographic: "Whooping Crane Migration from Canada to Texas"

Karen added from Marge Gibson a bill proposal in Wisconsin about keeping lead rights for hunting and fishing.

Education:

Bob sent out many letters to various schools about our grants and got very few responses. Need to get more interest in the grant program.

Went up to the Landing in Wausau and talked about the importance of nesting songbirds and building nest boxes. Made connections with the Wausau bird club folks.

Bob made nest boxes for Boston School Forest and they are all up.

Publicity:

Events are published on Facebook.

Membership:

Got 12 of the free trial membership forms returned and will give them a year membership starting in September.

Bird City Wisconsin application. Not getting responses.

Fall Family Festival: Scheduled for Sept. 8. Mead Wildlife Area. Looking for people to be involved and help out. Bob, Jan, Susan, Karen.

Website:

Jenny was not present. Rob is taking over the website. Susan and Rob will meet.

Added note: Kent Hall is in hospice care. Park dedication in Kent and Sue's name on east side of Stevens Point.

Anne Graham motions to approve John Munson as Emeritus Director, 2nd by Ned. All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:32pm

Respectfully submitted by,

Brad Branwell