

Some 'notes' bits for you to use when finishing your minutes

Southwest Section TWS Executive Board
conference call TH 14 May 3:00-4:40 CDT

In attendance:

Mark Wallace
Carol Chambers
Leland Pierce
Dan Collins (in part)
Annaliese Scoggin (part)
Heather Bateman

Nobody had difficulty signing in to this conference call.

Treasurers report – Annaliese

We had success recruiting new members with our presence at registration at both JAM and TCTWS meetings. We had 134 'new' members generating \$1310 dues. Dues have been received from National TWS and JAM, we still expect a check from TCTWS covering Section dues paid at TCTWS meeting. Terry Blankenship says check is in the mail. Expenses \$1,219.25 for: certified Wildlife Biologist, plaques for awards, TCTWS sponsorship, TCTWS room costs, indexing Herps of SW book. Balance in checking \$6,813.79, in savings \$3,851. Automatic monthly transfer to savings = waived fees for bank account.

Thanks to Annaliese for working the registration tables at the meetings – major part of new member generation. Some discussion of asking Danny Worthington about fund raising for the Section.

Secretary – we welcomed our new Secretary Heather Bateman.

There was discussion of using Dropbox and other methods of making info avail among Exec Board. Decision?

Discussed needs to upgrade:

web page – new officers; content, RSS feeds. Wallace to contact webmaster.

Facebook page both SW Sect and WOW – Carol maintains

Conservation Affairs Committee – will invite CAC: Jim Ramakka (SW), Jon Hanna (AZ), Brian Hansen (NM), Clint Faas and Romey Swanson (TX) to next section meeting as state reps as well. No report this time, though they have been active.

Newsletter – Misty Sumner

Misty is still recovering, needs ~6weeks. However, she does have most of material needed for next newsletter issue. Waiting for President's address (Wallace) and other. It was noted that Misty started the Directors corner, for state directors of wildlife agencies – 1 each fall.

Things that must be done in 2015-2016

Wallace noted when & where the state chapter meetings are in 2016

JAM AZ-NM – Flagstaff Feb 4-6, 2016

Texas Chapter – San Antonio Feb

Big news ... the annual TWS conference returns to Albuquerque 23-27 September 2017. Quentin Hayes (QuentinHays@enmu.edu), president of the New Mexico Chapter, has formed an organizing committee to kick off planning.

Attach files for Heather:
Officers SW section and Chapters 2015
SW Section financial report – from Annaliese
President's report
State Officer contacts 2015