

Topeka Audubon Society
Board of Directors' Meeting
Wednesday, November 7, 2007
3440 NW Button Rd. – Karlyle Woods
Topeka, Ks. 66618

Glenn Caspers, Board President, called the meeting to order at about 7:00 PM. Besides the Board President, Glenn Caspers, the following Directors' were present: Carol Morgan, Karen and Joel Sipes, Gary Haden, Sarah Merrill, Patsy Rush and Joanna Lacoursiere. Absent were Janeen Walters, Paul Willis, Linda Zempel and Diane Llamas.

Minutes of September 18, 2007 were reviewed with some clarification. Carol then moved to accept the minutes as printed and Gary seconded. All approved.

Glenn gave the Treasurer's report and reported most notably that TAS had obtained National funding totaling \$1242. (\$42 more than budgeted). Thank you Glenn for re-establishing this most important source of income! Glen then proceeded to review other items on the updated Budget Sheet and noted that overall; the Budget looks good with interest income going up a little each month due to conservative spending in recent months. The Board decided to donate \$300 to the Kansas Audubon Society, which was included in the Budget. Since there were no questions or concerns, Joanna moved to accept the Budget as presented and Carol seconded. All were in favor.

Carol reported on the TAS Sanctuary. She has been in touch with Larry Rutter who related that plans for removal of the toilet are moving ahead as well as for relinquishment of the agreed upon land to the Corps of Engineers. According to Carol, the field trip to the Sanctuary October 27th was fruitful and members of TAS enjoyed the scenic landscape.

Glenn reported on the Fund Raiser Bird Seed Sale as follows: Since the flyers to notify members of the sale were late coming out due to a misunderstanding with Quik Print, and the cost of flyers so high, the combination yielded poor results in terms of profit. However, as Glenn said, there was much to be learned and in fact he has investigated getting a more economical source for printing, and further; The Bird House has offered to sponsor another sale for TAS. As it was, sales amounted to \$1842.34 (about ½ of the usual), however, flyer expenses and The Bird House cut, reduced TAS take to \$111.14. This total includes a \$100 donation from the Wild Bird House.

Among other thoughts to earn more and reduce expenses, Glenn proposed another fund raiser in the form of a Birdathon to be held in conjunction with this year's Christmas Bird Count. Also, a second seed sale may be possible. This seed sale will be discussed as a project for February or March of '08.

A potluck following the December 15th Christmas Bird Count will be held at Gary Haden's at 5:15 PM.

As there were no further concerns by Board members, Glenn moved and Patsy seconded to adjourn. All agreed. The next Board Meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on January 9, 2008 at Carlyle Woods.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanna D. Lacoursiere