

New Mexico Ornithological Society (NMOS)

NMOS Board Meeting Minutes

21 February 2009

(APPROVED 30 May 2009)

The New Mexico Ornithological Society board met on February 21, 2009, at 2:00 p.m. at Bosque del Apache NWR. Attending were: Roland Shook, Dave Krueper, Rob Doster, Chuck Hayes, Janet Ruth, Martha Desmond, Dillon Shook, and Nancy Cox.

Minutes from October 25 were accepted as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: There was no report – the Treasurer was not present.

Website: Statistics on use of the NMOS Website were reviewed. Alternative methods for accessing photos for the Website Photo Gallery are being explored.

ACTION ITEM: A PHOTO OF RYAN BEAULIEU IS NEEDED FOR THE WEBSITE.

Annual Meeting: Dave Krueper (Annual Meeting Coordinator) and Martha Desmond (Science Session Chair) presented information about the progress in planning the meeting (hotels, field trips, abstracts, etc.). The T-shirt design is the American Three-toed Woodpecker drawn by Dale Zimmerman.

DECISION: REGISTRATION FEES ARE CHANGED FROM \$10 AND \$5 (STUDENT) TO \$20 AND \$10 (STUDENT).

Lifetime Achievement Awards: Pat Snider has nominated Jim Travis for a Florence M. Bailey Lifetime Achievement Award.

ACTION ITEM: DAVE LIGON HAS AGREED TO WRITE AN ACCOUNT ON BARBARA MCKNIGHT FOR THE AWARDEE WEBPAGE.

NMOS Bulletin: We want to have NMOS Bulletin issues on the website current within 2 years; we do not want them to be changed. The newest issue is ready for publication except for the annual meeting registration insert. We discussed the costs of producing color in NMOS Bulletin issues.

NMOS Field Notes Database: Mary Alice Root will continue to clean up the database but she does not want to enter more data; georeferencing of locations is about 85 – 95% complete.

ACTION ITEM: JANET RUTH WILL CONTACT CHRISTOPHER RUSTAY ABOUT HIS WILLINGNESS TO TAKE OVER ENTERING NEW DATA.

FUTURE DISCUSSION: WHO WILL DO DATA QUALITY CONTROL?

ACTION ITEM: NMOS OWES \$1000 FOR 2008 AND 2009 DATABASE MAINTENANCE FEES TO NATURAL HERITAGE NEW MEXICO.

Young Adult NMOS Board Member: Matt Baumann was proposed for this new position.

DECISION: MATT BAUMANN WAS ACCEPTED TO HOLD THIS POSITION.

Rare Bird Alert: There was discussion about training a backup(s) for Pat Snider in compiling the RBA. Various names of people knowledgeable about birds in New Mexico were suggested.

FUTURE DISCUSSION: DO WE DIVIDE RESPONSIBILITY BY BREAKING THE STATE UP INTO REGIONS?

Miscellaneous:

- Possible production of mugs with the NMOS Logo (Greater Roadrunner head)?

ACTION ITEM: WE NEED TO FIND A COMPANY TO DO THIS FOR US.

- Possible establishment of an NMOS List serve?

FUTURE DISCUSSION: DO WE WANT TO HAVE A LIST SERVE TO BE ABLE TO CONTACT MEMBERS ABOUT EVENTS?

- NMOS Fund Raisers: A variety of gifting, annual fund-raising events, membership appeals, etc. were discussed.

ACTION ITEM: MORE DISCUSSION IS NEEDED ON THIS SUBJECT.

- T-shirt Art: We discussed the idea of conducting an art competition for the NMOS Annual Meeting T-Shirt art.

FUTURE DISCUSSION: FURTHER DISCUSSION IS NEEDED ON THIS SUBJECT.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.