

New Mexico Ornithological Society

NMOS Board Meeting – Summary of Minutes

27 October 2007

(Approved 19 January 2008)

The New Mexico Ornithological Society board met on October 27, 2007, at 2 p.m. at Bosque del Apache NWR. Present were: Roland Shook, Dave Krueper, Jerry Oldenettel, Janet Ruth, Sandy Williams, Martha Desmond, Nancy Cox, and Dillon Shook.

Minutes were accepted as adjusted. In the future the minutes to be posted on the website will be in a synopsis format.

Treasurer's Report: \$12,000 current balance.

Website: The NMOS Website now has a new domain name: <http://www.nmbirds.org> and is being hosted by WNMU. We will get a memo of understanding with the University. Announcements about this new address will be posted on the AZ/NM birding listserve, the New Mex All Bird listserve, and other appropriate venues to ensure that people know about it. Past issues of the NMOS Bulletin are now posted on the website through 1994. History Page on the website – we still need to request photos. We will put in a link for New Mexico Christmas Bird Count dates.

NMOS Bulletin: The editor needs reviewers for submitted manuscripts; it was suggested that prospective reviewers would like to know what the article is about before volunteering.

NMOS Field Notes: It was proposed that we could send out winter and spring issues together and summer and fall together.

Florence Merriam Bailey Lifetime Achievement Awards: This is NOT necessarily an annual award; a description of the nomination criteria and process will be written using our mission statement. Nominations may be submitted at any time, but those received after January 1 will not be considered until the following year. Nominations will be submitted to the current president or secretary. We will have a committee of 3. A draft of this award description will be provided for member review prior to posting on the website. We still need write-ups for previous recipients.

Next Annual Meeting: The next annual meeting will be held in Albuquerque, at the Vagabond Inn Executive on April 12; Several birds to select from for t-shirts and announcements: Greater Roadrunner, Willow Flycatcher, Yellow-billed Cuckoo and Sage Sparrow. There will be Informal field trips. A call for papers has been issued; submissions are due by March 12. The meeting agenda will be available 2 weeks before the meeting.

2009 Annual Meeting: Steve Fettig will organize it for either Santa Fe or Los Alamos.

Ryan Beaulieu Research Award: The due date for submissions for the awards will be updated on the website.

Membership drive: We need to have a brochure that we can hand out to potential members.

Miscellaneous: The idea of having a young adult board member was discussed further. The young adult board member would not have a vote – will have the person evaluate the experience and that rule at the end of their term. Members are to have name suggestions by next meeting.

Board Members: Board Member terms are up at the next annual meeting; a self-evaluation form will be sent out to all members prior to the nominating process. Roland Shook appointed Sandy Williams as the nominating committee chair.

Board Meeting: Next meeting to be in January. Date, time, and location TBD.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:24 p.m.