

# New Mexico Ornithological Society (NMOS)

## NMOS Board Meeting Minutes

29 August 2009

(APPROVED 9 January 2010)

The New Mexico Ornithological Society board met on August 29, 2009, at 1:35 p.m. at Bosque del Apache NWR. Attending were: Roland Shook, Jerry Oldenettel, Sandy Williams, Martha Desmond, Dave Krueper, Chuck Hayes, Janet Ruth, Matt Baumann, and Nancy Cox.

Minutes from May 30 were accepted as corrected.

**Treasurer's Report:** The balance in our account is about \$9,500. We still owe \$3,000 in support for *Birds of New Mexico*; how much is still due to NM Natural Heritage for support of the NMOS Field Notes Database?

**ACTION ITEM:** DETERMINE WHAT WE STILL OWE NATURAL HERITAGE NM?

**Annual Meeting:** The Annual Meeting will be at the Best Western Rio Grande Inn in the Aztec Meeting Room near Old Town Albuquerque. Dave K is working with Rio Grande Inn staff on issues related to meeting space and catering. We are looking at April 10, April 3, March 27, and April 24 (in that order of preference). We had a discussion about whether to have a symposium on Yellow-billed Cuckoos.

**FUTURE DISCUSSION:** DECISION ON DATE

**ACTION ITEM:** ASK HIRA WALKER (NMDGV) IF SHE IS INTERESTED IN A JOINT NMDGF/NMOS SYMPOSIUM AND SUGGEST SPEAKERS

**ACTION ITEM:** CALL FOR PAPERS IN NOVEMBER WITH A MARCH DEADLINE

**FUTURE DISCUSSION:** IDENTIFY A BANQUET SPEAKER.

**Website:** The domain name nmbird.org has been purchased for \$25/5 years at Nearly Free Speech; we need photos from the 2009 Annual meeting; RBA is posted twice weekly.

**ACTION ITEM:** NANCY COX WILL TYPE UP MEETING MINUTES FOR POSTING

**ACTION ITEM:** NEED PDF FORMAT FOR BULLETINS & THINGS FROM LAST ANNUAL MEETING

**Rare Bird Alert:** Matt B has been working with Pat Snider; they have changed the RBA format slightly (counties are posted alphabetically, deleting old items). Additional ideas were discussed - adding photo links; need to change taxonomic order of listing.

**NMOS Bulletin:** Rob D is working on issues #3 & 4 from his new location in California

**FUTURE DISCUSSION:** WE NEED TO IDENTIFY A NEW NMOS BULLETIN EDITOR. DO WE WANT AN ASSISTANT EDITOR OR AN EDITORIAL BOARD?

**ACTION ITEM:** WE NEED A MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM AND A CALL FOR PAPERS INCLUDED IN THE NEXT BULLETIN.

**Request for funding of *Raptors of NM*:** We have a request for NMOS support for the new *Raptors of New Mexico* book edited by Jean-Luc Cartron. We need to keep sufficient funds in our account for Annual Meeting expenses; can we use credit card to pay for any of this?

**ACTION ITEM:** FIND OUT WHEN WE NEED TO GIVE JEAN-LUC AN ANSWER

**ACTION ITEM:** DETERMINE IF WE CAN USE CREDIT CARD TO PAY FOR ANNUAL MEETING COSTS?

**FUTURE DISCUSSION:** HOW MUCH, IF ANY, DO WE WANT TO CONTRIBUTE TO *RAPTORS OF NM*?

**Fund Raising:** Dale Zimmerman will give NMOS 5 original prints to sell, minus the cost to print them (cost not known). We also discussed producing embroidered t-shirts, hats, patches or polo shirts using our NMOS logo.

**ACTION ITEM:** CONSULT WITH ARTISTS REGARDING PRINT/SALES PRICES.

**T-shirt Art:** T-shirt art for the 2010 Annual Meeting will be a Black-chinned Hummingbird with flower by Dale Zimmerman.

**Delinquent members:**

**ACTION ITEM:** LETTERS WILL BE SENT TO DELINQUENT MEMBERS

**Next meeting date:**

**DECISION:** DECEMBER 5 AT 1 P.M.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.