Loess Hills Audubon Society Board Minutes December 7, 2023

Members present: Rex R., Bill H., Sharon P., Jerry P., Jeri W., Randy W., Pam M-S., Jody M., Kari S.

Honored Guests: John P., Maria R., Jan N., Jerry V., Gracie W., Bob L., Dotty Z., Bill Z., Bob and Phyllis N., Jeanie B.

- I. Call to order at 6:06pm Rex R.
- II. Review of November minutes
 - A. Motion to accept minutes as amended BH second JW passed
- III.Rex R. report
 - A. National Audubon conference November 2-5
 - 1. Revisions possible of annual chapter reporting
 - B. Chuck Johnson records discussion and disposition reviewing
- IV. Bill Huser VP
 - A. LHAS Bird Guide design completed
 - 1. Funds of \$5000 for printing only from REAP and MRD
 - 2. Decided to print \$5000 before the first of year to access the funds
 - B. Outings for December are Chistmas Bird Counts
 - C. November 18 outing Kramper lake 15 attended
- V. Sharon P Treasurer
 - A. December balance \$6445.58
 - 1. Deposits \$335
 - a. \$ 75 MLC speaking program
 - b. \$80 memberships
 - c. \$25 Mansor Kia memorial
 - d. \$155 NAS incentive
 - 2. Debits
 - a. \$50 Monthly speaker
 - b. \$267.50 promotional pens
 - B. November balance \$6463.08
 - C. Motion to approve BH second JM approved
- VI. Jerry P Secretary
 - A. Motion to approve as amended BH second JW approved
- VII. Marla K Membership
 - A. Birding backpacks soliciting pending donations for Birdathon in May
 - B. Freebie Items for outings, booths etc. American Recognition Co. review
 - C. Silent auction Jan 13
 - 1. Develop signage
 - 2. Collecting and catalog items
 - 3. Working on business donations for auction
 - D. Mail Chimp increase to 192 members
 - E. 1 new member generated from MLC program
 - F. Kari and Jody working on entering the Siouxland Big Give Oct 2024

VIII. Randy W Projects

- A. Dave Swanson Motus proposal reapplication Dec 2023
- B. Mini Grants moritorium for 2023-2024
- C. "A Warbler's Journey" books delivered and projects proceding
- D. Betty Strong Encounter center Photo Exhibit January 14 -February 23 2025

IX. Marla K and Bill Z Conservation

- A. Bird friendly Iowa also our Community
 - 1. Kari did a qualifing program at Dorothy Pecaut
 - 2. Recycle fish line container delivered for McCook lake
- X. Randy W, Kari S, Jody M Communications
 - A. Alternatives to Mail Chimp
 - B. Tonights program online
 - C. Instagram and other social media being researched besides Facebook
- XI. Motion to adjurn 6:48 BH second PMS passed