



Minutes of the Board of Directors

Friends of Brazoria Wildlife Refuge May 11, 2018
Gulf Coast Bird Observatory, Lake Jackson, 1:00 to 4:00 pm

In Attendance: Oron Atkins, Ed Barrios, Mickey Dufilho, Phil Huxford, David Plunkett, Kim Richardson, Dick Schaffhausen, Torry Tvedt, Myers

Excused Absent: Marty Cornell

Refuge Staff in Attendance: Jennifer Sanchez

A quorum being present, President Ed Barrios called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm

Minutes Reviewed

Suggested modification of minutes to emphasize old business. Mickey moved to accept the minutes with modification. 2nd Phil. Motion passed unanimously.

Action Register Updated

Dick will get with Jennifer to discuss Business After Hours. Phil will assist with this.
Mickey will get membership job duties to Kim.

Financials

Dick reviewed April financials including Profit and Loss for March and April, Migration Celebration Expenses and Income and birds of prey. Phil moved to accept financials with a few corrections. 2nd by Mickey. Motion passed unanimously. See Attachment A

New Business

- Computer is having problems. Dick moved to purchase a new lap top for \$500.00. 2nd Phil. Motion passed unanimously.
- New Board Member Training Proposal – Ed will talk with Ron Bisbee about through the Friend's history and putting together 25th anniversary information

Old Business

- Oron gave an update on Bobcat Woods Trail.
 - 60 ft. left to do – holes were drilled
 - Ramp to north to tie into northside of butterfly garden is not complete
 - Cocklebur Slough boardwalk is not complete. Option would be to do a floating dock
 - Concrete cost is too high. Discussion included rebidding to some local contractors and Oron to find out the true cost on concrete. Perhaps refuge staff could provide labor.
- Snakes – Phil Huxford
 - Snakes will be put on display at Quintana.

Refuge Update – Jennifer Sanchez

- There will be some wetland work over the next few months. At Brazoria office 500 acres of land have been mulched to restore prairie. Trying to get spraying to knock out Yaupon roots and also use burning to keep plants down.
- There will be some Oil and Gas work at Big Pond. Permit issued for \$500,000 for Lavaca to move up and down pipeline. They accidentally mulched an area they had to pay \$100,00 for mitigation
- More Oil and Gas work to be done in the future near headquarters.
- 1500 butterflies were raised for schools. Monarchs are disease free. Singleson Grant was important in this butterfly effort.
- Carmen and Stan to spend another year at the refuge.
- The field trip to Snow Woods (Cannon Bend) had 12 participants.
- Hurricane Harvey funds were finalized at \$950,000. This will be used for fishing piers at Bastrop Bayou and replace gravel on the road.
- Apple snails have been found in several water areas. They will use pressure washer to dislodge eggs.
- The county has agreed to designate CR306 daylight use only.
- June 3 will be a kayak trip. Participants will meet at refuge headquarters at 8:00 and the group will put in on CR318 and paddle down to the refuge

Outreach – David Plunkett

4/26 – Dow Complex for Earth Day

4/28 – Pearland Earth Day

KBR – Need date

Migration Celebration

- Discussion on when to have 2019 Migration Celebration Dinner. April 12 was tentatively discussed. (Mickey reserved RiverPlace for April 12)
- Migration Celebration at the refuge is set for April 27 and 28

Adjourn 3:25 PM

Mickey Dufilho (substitute for Marty)

Attachement A - Financials

<u>April 2018 Final</u>	FOBWR FINANCIAL	STATEMENT		
TDECU				\$188,928.84
IBC 1				\$115,453.48
IBC Acct 2 and 3				\$160,221.62
Bobcat Woods Grant Receivable				\$41,723.86
<u>ACCOUNT BALANCE</u>	-			\$506,327.80
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FUNDED GRANTS and ALLOCATED FUNDS	Grantor	Total Awarded	Amount Spent	Amt Available
20131230 McGovern Brazoria NWR non committed	Kathrine McGovern	\$154,500.00	\$50,837.57	\$103,662.43
20131220 McGovern San Bernard NWR	Katherine McGovern	\$97,000.00	\$50,344.58	\$46,655.42
20070803 Revolving Reimbursement, base acct	Houston Endowment	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	\$20,000.00
20130919 Poole Track Land Acquisition	Trull Foundation	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00

20160219 Houston Endowment Land Acquisition	Houston Endowment	\$300,000.00	\$199,275.44	\$80,774.56
Foletts Island appraisals sub acct.		\$25,000.00	\$19,950.00	
20160728 Cedar Lake Cut Lands See NOTES	USFWS	\$30,000.00	\$0.00	
20161017 Every Kid in Park	National Park Service	\$112,500.00	\$28,870.64	\$83,629.36
20161205 Bobcat Woods Matching Funds Received	FOBWR	\$213,740.86	\$167,418.94	\$46,321.92
plus ATFN 2015 funds plus receivable				
TOTAL ALLOCATED FUNDS		\$962,740.86	\$516,697.17	\$391,043.69
FOBWR PROJECTS		Allocated	Spent	
46400 Birds of Prey running total from 1-1-2015	FOBWR	\$64,118.00	\$65,884.00	-\$1,766.00
20161205 Morgan Storage Building San Bernard	FOBWR General Funds	\$12,000.00	\$8,342.00	\$3,658.00
20160716 Milkweed Greenhouse	FOBWR	\$5,560.00	\$5,141.37	\$418.63
20171104 Bryan Adams Memorial Fund	Donations	\$16,709.00	\$5,000.00	\$11,709.00
20161220 Leon Skeet Memorial Fund	Donations	\$1,063.00	\$0.00	\$1,063.00
20170101 BNWR Donation Box	Donations	\$747.56	\$0.00	\$747.56
20140403 Law Enforcement Restitution	Federal Court Fines	\$7,516.11	\$2,309.92	\$5,206.19
20180418 Web Site Maintenance	FOBWR	\$3,000.00	\$375.00	\$2,625.00
20170811 ATFN 2017 ACTUAL INCOME EXPENSES	FOBWR	\$93,950.02	\$32,594.06	\$61,355.96
TOTAL FOBWR PROJECTS		\$204,663.69	\$119,646.35	\$85,017.34
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR PROJECTS				\$30,266.77
MIGRATION CELEBRATION TDECU ACCT				\$18,028.35
TDECU SAVINGS				10.08
TOTAL Funds in Bank Accounts				\$482,642.37

COMPLETED PROJECTS OR GRANTS				
Put Jr Naturalist 2016 and 2017 balances back to General Funds				
NOTES				
20161205 Bobcat Woods Trail is a receivable. Grant 160,000.00 plus \$53,641.00 ATFN fundraiser				
20160728 Cedar Lake Cut Lands is a receivable. We will receive funds as invoices are turned in.				
46400 Birds of Prey is a running total from 1-1-2015 of all income received and expenses paid to the current Financial Report.				
Motions				
Jan. 21, 2018 Approved \$15,000.00 for purchase of Viking ATV. Funds from McGovern San Bernard			d. Spent \$14,799.0	
Feb 2, 2018 Increase Foletts Island appraisal to \$25,000.00				
Feb. 2, 2018 Authorized up to \$30,000.00 for Migration Celebration Expenses				
April 18 Authorized up to \$3,000.00 for Friends web site redo				