

Sacramento Audubon Society
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
Meeting Date: April 28, 2015
Approved Date: May 26, 2015
Lemon Grass Cafe Meeting Room
601 Munroe St., Sacramento CA 95825

Call to Order: Meeting called to order: 7:12 p.m.

Role Call: Board Members Present: Subhash Chand, Keith Wagner, Diana Hickson, Darrel Mohr, Larry Hickey, Gary Fregien, Bill Bianco. **Board Members Absent:** Linda Pittman, Marcia Ferkovich.

Approval of Minutes: Draft minutes for the May meeting will be circulated before the Board's May 2015 meeting for review/approval.

President's Report (Subhash for Linda):

- The Board's recommended 2015-2016 slate of Directors was approved by the SAS Membership at its April meeting, as follows:

OFFICERS:

President - Larry Hickey
Vice President - Subhash Chand
Treasurer - Marcia Ferkovich
Recording Secretary - Keith Wagner
Corresponding Secretary - Diana Hickson
Past President (ex officio) - Linda Pittman (pelagic trips)

AT LARGE BOARD MEMBERS:

Bill Bianco
Jenner Junghans
Jane Taylor
Darrel Mohr
Gary Fregien

- **Central Valley Audubon Chapter Council** meeting will be hosted this coming Friday/Saturday by Audubon CA at UC Merced. Larry intends to attend.

Treasurer's report (Subhash for Marcia):

- Marcia circulated SAS' financials by e-mail before the meeting. As Marcia could not be present, Board members with any questions should contact her.

Membership (Keith for Lea):

- Keith is not sure whether Lea Landry sent SAS' this month's most recent membership stats. Keith will check and forward info to the Board.

Corresponding Secretary (Diana)

- Circulated general mail received at SAS PO Box for review.

Programs (Subhash for Linda):

- May – Phil Garone – Fall & Rise of CV Wetlands
- Incoming/Returning Programs Chair, Sally Walters, will be taking over planning for the 2015-2016 membership meetings, which begins in September.

Outreach (Darrell):

- Presently appear to have enough volunteers to cover Walk on the Wild Side, North Laguna Creek event in May, and the Pacific Flyway Bird Carvers event at Lyons Hotel July 11-12, 2015.
- Upcoming events still needing volunteers:
 - Harvest Day Festival, August 1, 2015
 - Effie Yeaw Nature Fest, October 2015
 - Lodi Crane Festival, November 7-8, 2015
 - Swan Festival in Marysville (Darrell notes that SAS did not participate last year, other than giving a \$250 sponsorship).
 - CVBC, November 2015.
- **New Outreach Chair/Contact:** Bill Bianco will be taking over as SAS new contact coordinating SAS outreach. Cathie will be forwarding outreach event inquiries to Bill.

Education (Subhash for Jenner):

- An El Dorado County school presentation is planned next month.

Conservation (Larry)

- Russell Ranch project south of Highway 50 in Folsom continues to be of concern to H2020 and ECOS. Water supply is a serious problem. The City says all water will be supplied by conservation of existing uses. The environmental community is skeptical.
- City of Elk Grove remains of concern, in trying to expedite its segment of the Grant Line Connector Road project. No immediate action required. H2020 is monitoring. Will likely require future action.

Old Business:

- **Conflict of Interest Policy** (Diana): Diana has electronically circulated a copy of the final conflict of interest policy as amended and approved by the SAS Board at its May meeting.
- **SAS Insurance** (Larry). Larry has submitted an application to get a quote for Directors & Officers insurance.

- **Feather River Land Trust grant: MOTION** (Fregein/Moore): \$500 donation to Feather River Land Trust to be transmitted with cover letter prepared by Gary. Motion Approved Unanimously.

New business:

- **Charitable Donation in Memory of Jonilynn Okano:** to be discussed at next Board meeting.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.