

**Audubon of South west Florida, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting
Oct 15, 2009
Eco Living Center, Ft. Myers
Draft Minutes**

Chair: President Carol Newcomb-Jones

Call to order 6:08 PM

Present. Rebecca, Toby, Gerri, Carol, Mari; guest- Cheryl

President : Carol Newcomb-Jones

VP/ Treasurer: Rebecca Austin

Secretary: Pete Quasius,

Programs: Mari Hanley (chair), ,Carl Veaux

Newsletter: Kelly Williamson (editor),

Festivals: Conny Spurfeld

Conservation: Carol Newcomb-Jones (chair), Tony Miller,

Education: Gene Csonka (chair), Tina Csonka,

Membership: Maria Quasius

Birdathon: Toby Clark

Members Emeritus - Frank Pirog, Bill Hammond, Connie Jarvis, Don Doggett, John Cassani, Mary Lee Mann, Vince McGath, Gerri Reaves

Minutes: Approve Sept. minutes as posted to web. Gerri 1st: Toby 2nd: vote approved .

Membership: Current NAS members Oct. 1: 1552; 94 new/renewal NAS members. Current chapter-only members 27 . ASWF membership year is calendar year . Brad Cornell will visit @ Nov. meeting to discuss any membership changes presented @ Audubon Assembly

Treasury: Fiscal year = June 1st- May 31st.

Projected Expenses/ Amount	Purpose	Committee	Notes/ Chart of Accounts Category
2000	Conservation	Conservation	Includes conferences
3400	Membership	Membership	Non-personnel Printing and mailing
3000	Flyways	Newsletter	Non-personnel printing and stuffing envelopes
800	Festivals	Festivals	Supplies

1000	Scholarships	Education	Master Naturalist, other training?
280	Web Hosting	Mari/ Programs	paid 2 X yr.
900	Insurance	Finance	
600	Grants to other orgs.	Finance	Grants and Contracts
100	PO Box renewal	Finance	
500	Miscellaneous	Finance	varies
Total			
\$ 12,580			
Until May 31, 2010 (for 8 remaining mo. of fiscal yr., based on \$18000 projected annual budget			

DRAFT Audubon of SW Florida – Proposed Budget Oct., 2010, as amended at Board Meeting, Oct. 15, 2010. Finance committee will review, take comments, and bring to next board meeting for vote.

Projection includes cutbacks in most areas.

Board needs to raise approximately \$6000 to meet this projection.

Ecobreakfast costs not included, raised funds to cover costs.

Education programs: Jason Almacrants will not be available to attend the environmental breakfast on account of an exam. Carol will contact him to inquire about his topic to present to our chapter.

Conservation: Regional Conservation Met Oct. 3 . Draft 2009 priorities. Priorities:

- Coastal Conservation
- Climate Change
- Greater Everglades Restoration

Everglades Coalition Quarterly meeting Oct 30. Clewiston. H/G Audubon to join.

Negotiations on settlement with Cape Coral move forward. Final vote 10/28.

Sign-on: Opposition to inland port in EAA. Site Rejected by DEP.

Workday on Oct 24th in Lee County at the Calusa Creeks Preserve

Field trips: Vince McGrath's Hawk Watch on Oct. 18, <http://www.ecovoice.org/node/877> (only 18 reads)

Programs: The Whooping Crane's story is presented by John Canter, <http://www.ecovoice.org/node/877>

Fairs and festivals: Eco-B'fast update: <http://www.eco-voice.org/node/1332> (120 reads) .
So far, 137 reservations were received. The projected cost is \$1800 .

Web report: Birdathon: the date will remain as is

Public/Relations/outreach:

Fly ways:

New Business: Snook Foundation annual dinner Oct. 24 in Punta Gorda. Major ally on habitat preservation and restoration. Please support. <http://www.eco-voice.org/node/1420>

Old business: Carol, Pete, Maria registered to attend Audubon Assembly

Adjourn: 7:10 PM