Audubon of Southwest Florida, Inc. Board of Directors Meeting Feb 18, 2010 Eco Living Center, Ft. Myers

Chair: President Carol Newcomb-Jones

Call to order: 6:15 pm

Present:

President : Carol Newcomb-Jones VP/ Treasurer: Rebecca Austin

Programs: Mari Hanley Membership: Maria Quasius Birdathon: Toby Clark

Guests/members attending: Gerri Reaves, Wayne Daltry, Elsbeth McCulloch

Minutes: Approved Jan. minutes as posted to website.

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On the schedule: Burrowing Owls in Cape Coral - 2/27.

Paramount Plaza Conference Center Gainesville, Florida March 26-28, 2010

Click here for more information on the schedule, workshops, and location of the Audubon Academy.

Governance

The mission of Audubon of Southwest Florida is to protect plants, animals, and their habitats and to promote environmental education and a greater community involvement with the natural world.

Audubon of Southwest Florida, Inc., is a 501(c) (3) not-for-profit organization

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By-Laws (revised March 2009)

Proposed Board of Directors for 2010-2011

The following ASWF members have expressed interest in serving on the Board of Directors of Audubon of Southwest Florida for 2010.

Please consider standing for election to the board!

Contact Carol at EcoNewk@aol.com if you are interested.

Election of the Directors will be at our March 20th, 2010 annual meeting and officers and committee chairs are determined by the Board at a meeting immediately following.

President: Wayne Daltry

Vice President: vacant

2nd VP/Treasurer: Rebecca Austin

Secretary/Electronic Communications: vacant

Education: Carl Veaux

Programs: Mari Hanley

Newsletter: Maria Quasius

Festivals: Conny Spurfeld

Conservation: Brad Cornell, Pete Quasius, Sarah Larsen

Membership: Elsbeth McCulloch

Birdathon: Toby Clark

Members Emeritus - eligible by virtue of previous service and expressed interest - Frank Pirog, Past Presidents Bill Hammond, Connie Jarvis, Don Doggett, John Cassani, Mary Lee Mann, Rodger Clark, Vince McGrath, Carol Newcomb-Jones

Acting President/V/P: Carol Newcomb-Jones

2nd VP Treasurer: Rebecca Austin

Secretary/Electronic Communications: Pete Quasius, Mari Hanley--web calendar, Steve

Brookman—webmaster\*

Programs: Mari Hanley (chair), Gerri Reaves, Carl Veaux

Newsletter: Kelly Williamson (editor), Carol Newcomb-Jones, Gerri Reaves

Festivals: Conny Spurfeld

Conservation: Carol Newcomb-Jones (chair), Tony Miller, Pete Quasius, Brad Cornell –Audubon of

Florida staff\*

Education: Gene Csonka (chair), Rebecca Austin, Tina Csonka, Kelly Williamson

Membership: Maria Quasius

Birdathon: Toby Clark Positions to be filled:

Field Trips: Hospitality: Parliamentarian:

Members Emeritus - Frank Pirog, Past Presidents Bill Hammond, Connie Jarvis, Don Doggett, John

Cassani,

Mary Lee Mann

\*Not Board Members

# Meetings

Audubon of Southwest Florida meetings are held on the third Thursday each month at 6:00 PM for the Board of Directors, with program presentation at 7:00 PM. We meet at the Eco Living Center at Rutenberg Community Park at 6490 South Pointe Blvd., corner of Cypress Lake Drive, in Ft, Myers.

Audubon of Southwest Florida meetings are open to public and all Audubon members are invited to participate in Board meetings.

**Meeting Minutes** 

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Web report: Birdathon notices posted on home page.

Birdathon: ASWF Annual meeting at same after dinner at Eco Living Center, 7:00 PM March 20th

Approved: Carol to organize dinner at chapter expense.

Public/Relations/outreach: Approved Eco-voice, Inc. sponsorship for 2010 - \$100

Chapter events posted to Eco-Voice calendar

Flyways: Maria to produce next issue for online postings- target March 1. Please submit copy suggestions.

Old business: Notice of annual meeting sent to printer for mailing prior to March 1st.

New Business: ASWF Annual meeting after dinner at Eco Living Center, 7:00 PM March 20th

Adjourn: 7:10