Board of Directors Meeting Nov. 15, 2007, 6:00 pm Eco Living Center Rutenberg Park, Ft. Myers Minutes

Chair: President PQ. Present: Maria, Gerri, Dan, Mari, Rebecca, Sally, Gene, Mary, Fran

Program: Mark Renz, book signing, 6:30; photo essay at 7. Facility and hospitality ready.

A/V equipment repaired. working fine.

Need portable amplifier. Ginny to research/purchase.

Business meeting: called to order: 6:10 pm

Minutes: October. minutes approved as posted.

Membership: Maria

Membership continues to grow slowly. Both electronic registration and remittance envelopes being received. PQ appointed to state membership committee.

Treasurer's report:

\$4000 plus in checking with all bills paid. Motion to support Audubon Academy and Everglades Coaliton conference each at \$250 approved. Grant request for \$1000 for reproduction of Gray's Lake O/estuary DVD submitted to AoF.

Education programs: Rebecca

Edison scholarship offer posted to website. Will be announced in Flyways. Gene offered to try to make copies of Birding 101 for sale/distribution.

Conservation report: PQ

ASWF signed on to NGO letter opposing Mosaic phosphate mining agreement.

Membership in Everglades Coalititon approved. David Green delegate. Will have table display with Lee Birding 101 for sale.

Dan and Pete to attend "Drought" workshop[at FGCU. Paul Gray speaker.

PQ, Rebecca to participate in NGO networking picnic at Koreshan Park on Sat. Sierra hosting.

Field trips: Dan

Good participation so far. Check presented for proceeds.

Programs: PQ

Oct. Jerry Jackson spoke to crowd of about 50.

Paul Gray speaking at Dec. 20 meeting

Charles Sobczak has offered to do book signing at Jan 11th Mangrove Gathering ASWF sponsoring.

Web report:

Online credit card processing moving along. Mari volunteered to help with calendar updates and postings.

PR/Flyways: Gerri

Winter Flyways goes to press for delivery early Dec.

Ginny will do press press releases to electronic media and major print press.. .

Birdathon:

Discuss regional birdathon at Dec. 16 RCC meeting at Big Cypress.

Old business: none

New Business: David Green looking into support for FGCU panther posse program

Adjourn: 6:45 pm. Next meeting Dec. 20th.