Chair: Pete Quasius. Present: Gerri, Tony, Carol, Dr. Bill, Gene, Tina, Rebecca, Dan, Brent, Fran, Mari, Ginny

Called to order 6:10
Welcome: Added to BOD by unanimous vote - Tony Miller and Carol Newcomb-Jones.
Minutes: Pete Quasius to be secretary. No Jan. minutes, only action item was approval of $1000 to support Panther Posse.
Membership: Master list, 2084 names, updated and sent to printer.
Treasurer’s report:
Tony Miller to understudy Ginny to become treasurer
Annual appeal letter delayed – future discussion of donors
Spread sheets of budget to be emailed, money in the bank
Audit underway at FGCU. Ginny/Tony/Maria will work out transfer of financial responsibilities in April.
Education programs:
Audubon Academy April – chapter will support participation by any BOD member - provide copy of registration.
No Scholarship applications received.
Dr. Bill suggested exploring support for highschool student to Audubon camp at Hog Island.
Conservation report:
Carol Newcomb Jones joins committee, David Green becomes chair
Babcock Town Update – Dr. Bill briefed on water and transportation issues
Babcock Preserve – meeting of 501c group next week. Needs funding. Possible location for Earthday ’09
David to represent ASWF at Riverwatch 2/23 cruise with Cong. Mahoney
Population/habitat letter – authorized Rebecca to send to NAS
Field trips:
Trips earn $105
John Cassiani to help schedule trips for 2008
Programs/Festivals:
Dan Tudor and Carl Veaux join committee
Check from FGCU Watershed conference $539,
Nice display for Burrowing Owl Festival
Need help for Mar. 1 birding festival at Lakes Park 7-12pm. Dan, Pete, Carol
Annual meeting: 10 AM FGCU building AB5 - rm 112. Cynthia Barnett- Author of Mirage. Co sponsorship with CCAS/FGCU
Earthday 2008 Koreshan, - will participate
Mangrove Gathering – ASWF will sponsor Jan 2009 and use Rutenberg for 2009 meetings.
Eco b’fast. – Dr. Bill and PQ to coordinate
Carol to coordinate climate change/global warming efforts
Web report:
Calendar posts -suggestions to Mari via info@AudubonSWFL.org
PR/Flyways:
Audubon SWF logo approved. Ginny to organize stationary
Annual meeting of edition of Flyways, 12 pages, at printer. Postage ok.
Hand distribution of Flyways - FGCU, libraries, waiting rooms, Gerri 50, Dave 100, Rebecca 50.
Bill board and banner. -Thanks Ginny.
Flyways Sponsorship- grants being investigated

Birdathon:
Birdathon coordinator will be Brent Jackson, Dr. Bill to assist

Hospitality: Going Great! When electric power available consider selling early morning coffee/mugs at festivals

Old business: Dan organizing award for Conservationist of year.
Slate of proposed 2008/09 directors/officers/and committee chairs circulated - no objections

Adjourn 7:00 PM

Program 7 PM: Burrowing Owls - by Cape Coral Friends of Wildlife – Very nice.