



## FRIENDS OF TUALATIN RIVER NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

April 23, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes

Present: Bonnie Anderson, Dawn Carovano, Alan Christensen, Tom Hartz, Sharon Miller, Michelle Miller, Mark Newell, Scott Owen, Michelle Scholz, Irene Vlach.

Excused: Gary Fawver, Cheryl Hart, Keith Mays, Peter Paquet, Ed Squiers, Willem Stoeller.

Staff: Andrew Delgreco, Eva Kristofik

We have a quorum.

I. Call to Order (6:45pm)

II. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda:

1. Irene
2. Michelle S.

Passed, all in favor.

III. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of February 26, 2019 and March 26 Meeting Minutes

B. Financial Reports

Reports were provided electronically.

C. Visitor Services Report

Report was provided electronically.

D. Photo Society Report

Report was provided electronically. The status of the photo society still needs to be clarified and the webpage needs to be either taken down or updated. We will discuss the Photo Society at the May Board meeting.

E. Restoration Report

No Restoration report because Nathan is on medical leave for an undetermined length of time.

F. Camp Committee Report

No report.

G. Membership Committee Report

Report was provided electronically.

H. Bird Festival report

Report was provided electronically.

Board members are asked to sign up for various volunteering opportunities during the Festival.

I. Executive Committee report

Report was provided electronically.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda:

1. Alan

2. Tom

Passed, with all in favor.

IV. Report

V. New Business

A. Alan: Diversity Follow up

It was proposed that one Board member meet with a USF&W staff to discuss training options and bring a proposal back to the Board. We plan on inviting Derron Coles back to another Board meeting to help us create an outline for the training. Alan

suggested Board members look at Dr Robin DiAngelo's You Tube presentations on White Privilege and White Frailty as continuing background".

B. Andrew

He reported on his activities, the volunteer appreciation events, among others.

C. Bonnie: Chicken Creek Grants Follow-up / Seasonal Employees Hiring

The Environmental Education position is filled.

Bonnie is currently reviewing the grand agreement for the TREE grant: \$100,000 for the purchase of a bridge. The grand for the restoration of Chicken Creek was approved.

D. Eva: Refuge update : Tonquin Quarry / Wapato

The bridges at Wapato will be built this year.

Eva requested the Friends to contribute \$12,000 for trees for a 7 acres restoration project at the pump house. Our budget provides for this contribution. Eva also requested the balance of our restoration budget for planting on P1 and P2.

Motion to provide the funding as requested by Eva:

1. Tom
2. Alan

Passed, with all in favor.

A request for a permit for the proposed Tonquin Quarry has been submitted to the Department of State Land. As planned the project would impact a wetland on a unit of the Refuge, possible dewatering it. The noise, dust and traffic caused by the quarry would also impact the wetland.

Mark will draft a letter for the Board to send to State Lands with comments in opposition to the proposed quarry by April 30<sup>th</sup>.

E. Michelle: Membership

Michelle made a motion for the board to adopt her proposed outline of corporate member enrollment levels and member benefits as defined by the membership committee and reflecting the amended change of names for the various levels.

2. Bonnie

Passed, with all in favor.

Approved range of annual dues for corporate membership:

\$500+; \$1,000+; \$5,000+; \$10,000+

E. Mark: Mentoring Report Update / Mentoring call: April 25, 2:30pm conference call

VI. Unfinished Business

Irene inquired about whether we have a web master. Bonnie confirmed that Tom Stibolt is now working as such.

VII. Announcements

A. Other Announcements

B. [Report Volunteer Hours to Bonnie.](#)

C. E-newsletter articles and deadline. Articles due!

D. Upcoming meeting dates: May 21, 2019, 6:45pm.

VIII. Adjourn (8:50pm)

Motion to adjourn:

1. Scott

2. Bonnie

Passed with all in favor.