**Audubon Society of Omaha Board Meeting
April 2, 2024**

Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm by Christine.

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| **Board members present** | **Board members absent** | **Other members present** |
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| Christine Prescott, President |  | Julia Rawnsley |
| Kayla Johnson, Vice Pres.Michelle Foss, Treasurer |  | Suzie Kingery |
| Katy Simmons, Secretary |  |  |
| Betty Fullerton Conor Gearin |  |  |
| Amy Campagna |  |  |
| Steve Geddes |  |  |
| Trevor Pellerite |  |  |
| Melissa Sitze |  |  |
| Virginia Stauffer |  |  |
| Bennett Amdor |  |  |

**OLD BUSINESS**

Approval of March 5, 2024 board meeting minutes. Amy moved to approve the minutes as amended to correct Betty’s column, Michelle seconded. Motion passed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1) 990/Draft Budget (tabled until next month) – Michelle

* Correction to 990: for tonight we ask to accept the 990 w/the following correction:
1. Cash in the checking account was too high by $1,322, which increased total revenue, net revenue and net assets by the same amount. All of these accounts will be decreased by $1,322 (this change impacts multiple entries on the 990)
2. The entries for the American Funds investment funds were incorrectly categorized on Schedule D. *Net Investment earnings* increased from $19,773 to $37,823 (+$18,050) and *Other expenditures for facilities and programs* increased from -$1,950 to -$20,000, reflecting the year-end withdrawal from investments to fund operations. The balance of the American Funds account was not affected by these re-categorizations.

A PDF of the line item changes will be included with the minutes of the May board meeting. Also, the final signed document will be included with the May minutes.

 Michelle motioned to approve, Virginia seconded. Motion passed.

2) Update on Events - Amy

* Volunteers needed: Earth Day April 27, 11am – 6pm; a few people stepped up during the meeting to host the table
* Request from NE Monarch: Environmental Expo May 18, 1-4pm can we host a table there?
* NE Forest Service event table on September 6
* Request from homeschool group to tour Cuming City Cemetery and bird outing during the week – Conor volunteered
* Field trips: had eagle nest tour, 3 people showed up out of 20 registered
* Anne: Heron Haven May 4
* Cemetery trip in June?
* April 11 at DJ’s: Conor talking about Birdnote
* April13: EZ Does It Birding
* April 20: Art Show – 640 entries; new book prizes this year
* April 27: Earth Day
* Virginia: summer programming off the table because we can’t promote through the newsletter (no more issues until September)

3) Nominating Committee Update

* Suzie: got into birding in the last ten years; trying to get more involved; helped w/seed sale for a few years
* We have 2 open board positions; Roger Carroll is interested (via Betty) retired
* Kyle has agreed to be re-elected; Conor and Trevor also need to be re-elected
* Officers: serve from July to June; Suzie is interested in being Secretary
* Treasurer: nomination for Melissa
* 2nd VP (responsible for Nominating Committee): Bennett
* 1st VP (responsible for: presiding when the President is not available; help manage committee chairs; liaison to Audubon NE and National): Conor is nominee
* President – Christine

4) Old Business

* Share Omaha has been updated; goes live this month

5) New Business: Melissa asked if we want to join Green Omaha Coalition

* Weekly newsletter
* In charge of Earth Day Omaha
* Event calendar
* There is a cost

Bennett: any photos from Glacier Creek event?

Glenn has a source for plugs – can it get in the next newsletter to get volunteers to help plant – will work with Virginia

Adjourned at 7:55.