

Audubon Society of Omaha Board Meeting
February 4, 2025

Approval of Minutes

Conor moves and Roger seconded
Board voted to approve

NEW

Sarah Prescott - new board member

PRESENT

Bennett Amdor
Amy Campagna
Roger Carrol
Betty Fullerton
Conor Gearin

Anne Maguire
Trevor Pellerite
Sarah Shepherd
Katy Simmons
Virginia Stauffer

Absent:

Kyle Finley
Glenn Pollock
Melissa Sitze

Guest:

Erica Jefferies - recently moved from northern California and served on a board for mosquito abatement

Upcoming programs

Feb 13 - Glenn and Jerry program about MOTUS
March 13 - Mike Benkis, photography of birds and wildlife
April 10 - Epidemiologist - ticks
May 8 - Michelle and Noah will speak about their pollinator garden
June - Graham Hurtz tree guy education

Upcoming field trips

Feb - Forest Lawn
March -
April 3 - joint birding with Omaha Astronomy Club, night sky

Art Contest – Virginia S

Date conflict with Earth Day
Invitations and emails have been sent.
Art will be turned in at our office on March 6, 7, and 8

Legislation – Trevor or Bennett?

Right to Clean air LR 22Ca - get on ballot at Unicameral, then on ballot for voters in Nebraska

Birdseed Sale – Betty F.

sign up sheets for volunteer and food
4-6 people to unload truck
4-6 people to fill orders
2 people to do desk job

Office Lease – Betty F.

Betty asked landlord if we could have a mailbox with a lock
Betty has new proposal from Landlord
Increase over current lease rates:
+ 30/month first 3 years
+ 40/month next 2 years

Voted and approved, all in favor or new lease.

AFTER ADJOURNMENT

Trevor is concerned about DJ's affiliation with at Trump campaign
Wants to look for venue that will not support political

Secretary notes:

JD Vance was at a campaign event last year at a hotel near DJ's. People who were not able to get into that rally gathered at DJ's. After campaign event, J.D. Vance came over to DJ's and shook hands. His appearance at DJ's was not scheduled or approved by DJ's.