

**Wabash Valley Audubon Society
Monthly Board Meeting
Dobbs Park Nature Center
Terre Haute, IN
Wednesday, January 15, 2020**

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order @ 5:12pm**
 - a. Carissa Lovett
 - b. Phil Cox
 - c. Annie Prosser
 - d. Nick Gabry
 - e. Lucinda Berry
 - f. Ellen Lunsford
- II. Approve Minutes**

Lucinda motioned to approve and amend the minutes of the December meeting. Phil seconded. Motion passed.
- III. Membership Chair Report**
 - a. 147
- IV. Treasurer's Report (as of Dec 31st)**
 - a. Checking: \$17,565.65
 - b. Savings: \$2,931.68
- V. WVAS Public Relations**
 - a. Facebook
 - i. 1,444 Likes (last month 1,446)
 - ii. 1,483 following (last month 1,483)
- VI. Recently Completed Events**
 - a. December 18, 2019
 - i. Member Photo Night at the Native American Museum
 - ii. 13 in attendance
- VII. Upcoming Events**
 - a. 2nd Annual Terre Haute Bird Festival
 - i. October 10th, 2020 – 1pm to 5pm
 - b. Bat Festival
 - i. September 19th, 2020
- VIII. Upcoming Board (5:00pm) & Member Meetings (6:30pm)**
 - a. January 15, 2020
 - i. Butterflies of Indiana and Native Plants to Attract Them by Phil Cox
 - b. February 19, 2020
 - i. Sustainability at Indiana State University by Nick McCreary
 - c. March 18, 2020
 - i. **(NICK WILL CONFIRM)**: Zoé Delefortrie – white-throated sparrow parasitology

- d. April 15, 2020
 - i. Annual Meeting/Banquet
- e. May 20, 2020
 - i. Annual Spring Picnic/Cookout

IX. Projects

- a. Bird Town – **Carissa will send an email to the city forester to get backing/approval.**

X. WVAS Fundraiser/Advertisement Ideas

- a. T-shirts
 - i. \$10 each, Sand or Gold, Sizes Kids Medium – Adult XL
 - ii. Can be purchased at member meetings and board meetings .

XI. New Business

- a. Web page
 - i. Calendar is now working
- b. Banquet Planning
 - i. **Lucinda will spearhead choosing a location with the following criteria**
 - 1. Bar**
 - 2. Separate room on the ground floor for presentations**
 - 3. Close parking**
 - 4. Seating for 20 to 40 people**
- c. Bird Friendly coffee – Jeff Canada
 - i. **Nick will do research into a selection of coffees. Then a vote will be held in February on a decision to ACCEPT or REJECT the fundraising opportunity, as well as a decision to APPROVE or DENY the purchasing and sale of Bird Friendly coffee at the Bird Festival.**
- d. Donation to Purdue Extension Vermillion County Education Fund
 - i. Lucinda motions to make a \$25 donation to the Purdue Extension Vermillion County Education fund in gratitude of the night's program presented by Phil Cox. Annie Prosser seconded. Phil Cox abstained. Motion passed.
- e. Bat boxes
 - i. Nick will talk to Joy O'Keefe about construction of a few bat boxes without gardens.

XII. Adjourn @ 5:59pm