

**Wabash Valley Audubon Society
Monthly Board Meeting
Dobbs Park Nature Center
Terre Haute, IN
Wednesday, February 19, 2020**

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order @ 6:04pm**
 - a. Carissa Lovett
 - b. Phil Cox
 - c. Nick Gabry
 - d. Lucinda Berry
 - e. Ellen Lunsford
- II. Approve Minutes**

Ellen motioned to approve the minutes of the January meeting. Nick seconded. Motion passed.
- III. Membership Chair Report**
 - a. 141
- IV. Treasurer's Report**
 - a. Checking: \$17,474.25
 - b. Savings: \$2,931.68
- V. WVAS Public Relations**
 - a. Facebook
 - i. 1,446 Likes (last month 1,444)
 - ii. 1,487 following (last month 1,483)
- VI. Recently Completed Events**
 - a. Butterflies of Indiana and Native Plants to Attract Them – Phil Cox
 - i. January 15, 2020
 - ii. 14 in attendance
- VII. Upcoming Events**
 - a. 2nd Annual Terre Haute Bird Festival
 - i. October 10th, 2020 – 1pm to 5pm
 - ii. **CONTACT PERRY SEITZINGER FROM RUFFED GROUSE SOCIETY AS A SPEAKER**
 - b. Bat Festival
 - i. September 19th, 2020
- VIII. Upcoming Board (5:00pm) & Member Meetings (6:30pm)**
 - a. February 19, 2020
 - i. Sustainability at Indiana State University by Nick McCreary
 - b. March 18, 2020
 - i. Zoe Delefortrie – white-throated sparrow parasitology
 - ii. **Zoe will send official title and description**
 - c. April 15, 2020

- i. Annual Meeting/Banquet
 - ii. **CONTACT CHARLOTTE OWINGS FROM PURDUE EXTENSION – HEE AS A SPEAKER**
 - d. May 20, 2020
 - i. Annual Spring Picnic/Cookout
- IX. **Projects**
 - a. Bird Town
- 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
 - b. Balloon Release Petition
 - i. **Phil motioned to support the media campaign fighting to end organized balloon releases. Lucinda seconded. Motion passed. Carissa will email stating WVAS support**
 - c. Banquet Planning
 - i. **Lucinda looked into having the banquet at Moggers. Nick motioned to officially set this as banquet location. Ellen seconded. Motion passed.**
 - ii. **Lucinda will handle obtaining a written contract and placing the deposit for the event.**
 - d. “Taking Flight” International Bird Art Exhibition.
 - i. **Lucinda motioned to support the Art Exhibition. Phil Seconded. Motion Passed**
 - e. Bird Friendly coffee – Jeff Canada
 - i. **Nick motioned for Phil to buy enough coffee for free shipping under Wild Care’s sponsorship to sell at Bird Fest. Lucinda seconded. Motion passed.**
 - f. Bird Fest 2021
 - i. **Potentially move back to spring, either Mar. 27th or Apr. 3rd Decision tabled for March meeting.**
- XII. **Adjourn @ 6:34pm**