**Wabash Valley Audubon Society**

**Monthly Board Meeting at 6:00 p.m.**

**Dobbs Park Nature Center**

**Terre Haute, IN**

**Wednesday, January 3rd, 2018**

**MINUTES**

1. **Call to Order @** 6:17pm
	1. Members Present
		1. Morgan
		2. Carissa Lovett
		3. Lindsay Forrette
		4. Phil Cox
		5. Samantha McDonald
2. **Approve Minutes**
	1. No minutes – No December Meeting
3. **Membership Chair Report (Lucinda)**
	1. Absent
4. **Treasurer’s Report (Phil Cox)**

Savings: $2,927.18

Checking: $16,444.73

Monthly Expenditures for our website

1. **WVAS Public Relations**
	1. Facebook
		1. 1,432 – up from our previous drop!
2. **Recently Completed Events**
	1. International Crane Foundation – November 15th
		1. Presentation by James – 27 people!
		2. Great turn out and interest!
	2. Jasper Pulaski Fish and Wildlife Area – December 9th
		1. 2 people
	3. Member photo gallery – December 20th
		1. 28 members present!
		2. Also a great turn out!
3. **Upcoming Events**
	1. Bird Hike – May 5th @ 1:00pm with OLC (Wabash Land Conservancy)
	2. Snake Road Trip – southern Illinois
		1. Sometime between March 15th and May 15th
		2. ~2-3 mile walk each way
4. **Upcoming Board & Member Meetings – 6:30pm**
	1. Jake – January 17th @ Dobbs Nature Center
		1. Reptile presentation, more in-depth description sent out
	2. Amber Slaughterbeck – February 21st @ Dobbs Nature Center
		1. Presentation on bird population dangers
	3. Wildcare Inc. – March 21st
		1. Big event! 4+ animals with location TBA, Girl Scout building or N.A. museum
		2. Carissa will check with the Girl Scouts
5. **Projects**
	1. Bird Town
		1. Need a festival
		2. A first Friday Activity perhaps?
	2. Dewey Point
		1. Grant update?
		2. Hope to hear back from Kara.
6. **WVAS Fundraiser/Advertisement Ideas**
	1. T-shirts
		1. $10 each, Sand or Gold, Sizes Kids Medium - Adult XL
		2. Can be purchased at member meetings and board meetings
7. **New Business**
	1. Web page
		1. Need training and platform transition
		2. Waiting on Marty
	2. Banquet brainstorming!
		1. Date: April 18th (3rd Wednesday in April)
		2. Likely Venue
			1. Mogger’s
				1. Rent the large room on the left side of the restaurant

$200 to reserve the room

If we purchase over $500 in food then reservation fee is waived

* + - * 1. Bar is available or can have waiter/waitress in our room for $50
				2. Mogger’s needs our menu a week in advance
				3. Need to ask about having AV equipment for a speaker (Projector, Microphone, etc.)
		1. Speaker Options
			1. Peter Scott – Highlights of Bird Counts
			2. Brandon Kearns
1. **Adjourn @** 7:14pm