**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