**Wabash Valley Audubon Society**

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

**Dobbs Park Nature Center**

**Terre Haute, IN**

**Wednesday, February 7th, 2018**

**MINUTES**

1. **Call to Order @ 6:10pm**
	1. **Members Present: 6!**
		1. **Morgan Chaney**
		2. **Carissa Lovett**
		3. **Zoe Delefortie**
		4. **Phil Cox**
		5. **Lucinda Berry**
		6. **Lindsay Forrette**
2. **Approve Minutes**
	1. **January, 3rd minutes approved by all**
3. **Membership Chair Report (Lucinda)**
4. **Treasurer’s Report (Phil Cox)**

Savings: $2,927.18

Checking: $16,224.23

Expenditures:

1. $20.50 – Monthly Website Fee
2. $200 – Mogger’s Reservation Deposit for Annual Banquet
3. **WVAS Public Relations**
	1. Facebook
		1. 1,433 likes
			1. Staying steady ☺
4. **Recently Completed Events**
	1. Jasper Pulaski Fish and Wildlife Area – December 9th
		1. 2 people
	2. Member photo gallery – December 20th
		1. 28 members present!
		2. Also a great turn out!
	3. Jake – January 17th @ Dobbs Nature Center
		1. 37 people!
		2. Very popular event!
5. **Upcoming Events**
	1. Snake Road Trip (southern Illinois) – Specific Dates (Need from Carissa)
		1. Sometime between March 15th and May 15th
		2. ~2-3 mile walk each way
	2. OLC (Wabash Land Conservancy) Annual Meeting – April 6th
	3. Wildflower Hike - April 14th with OLC (Wabash Land Conservancy)
	4. Annual Banquet – April 18th @ Mogger’s
		1. Details Below
	5. Bird Hike – May 5th @ 1:00pm with OLC (Wabash Land Conservancy)
6. **Upcoming Board & Member Meetings – 6:30pm**
	1. Amber Slaughterbeck – February 21st @ Dobbs Nature Center
		1. Topic: Birds in Peril!
			1. Presentation on dangers to bird population dangers
	2. Wildcare Inc. – March 21st @ Native American Museum
		1. Big event! 4+ animals
7. **Projects**
	1. Bird Town
		1. Need a festival
		2. A First Friday Activity perhaps? Contact Chamber of Commerce?
	2. Dewey Point
		1. Grant update: Haven’t heard anything back from Kara yet.
8. **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
9. **New Business**
	1. Web page
		1. Need training and platform transition
		2. Waiting on Marty
	2. Banquet brainstorming!
		1. Location: Mogger’s
			1. Booked!
		2. Menu:
			1. Considering the Maxed Buffet option:
				1. Appetizer Choices (3):

Spinach Artichoke Dip

Bruschetta w/ toasted Ciabattta

Meatballs w/ Marinara

* + - * 1. Main Entrées Choices (3):

Vegetarian Option – Likely Pasta

Town House Chicken

Italian Beef

* + - * 1. Side Choices (3):

Mogger’s Salad

Cheesy Garlic Mashed Potatoes

Seasoned Mixed Veg

* + - * 1. Desserts Choice (2):

Blackberry Cobbler

Chocolate Sheet Cake

* + - * 1. Includes Water, Tea, Coffee, and Rolls
			1. Drinks will be Available at the Bar
			2. Silent Auction:
				1. Put in Newsletter
			3. James Mason Award Nominations
				1. Needed! Put in Newsletter!
				2. Nominations Due: March 21st
				3. Vote: April 4th
		1. Banquet Reservation:
			1. Payment Options
				1. Send to WVAS P.O. Box
				2. Bring Cash to Dobbs Nature Center
			2. Prices:
				1. Early Bird Registration – Open until March 21st

Kids (4-12): $9

Adults (13+): $20

* + - * 1. Regular Registration – March 22nd until April 11th

Kids (4-12): $11.00/9

Adults (13+): $25.00/20

* + 1. Speaker Options:
			1. Dr. Peter Scott – Highlights of Bird Counts
			2. Brandon Kearns
			3. Fred Nation
1. **Adjourn @ 7:30pm**