

FLATHEAD AUDUBON BOARD MEETING
June 5, 2017
Prudential Lopp Conference Room

Present: Kay Mitchell, Bob Lee, Lois Drobish, Marylane Pannell, Cory Davis, Kathy Ross, Denny Olson, Jan Metzmaker, Joe Batts, Barb Summer, Gael Bissell, Mike Fanning, Rod Walette, and Bob Lopp. Guest: Bruce Tannehill.

Called to order at 6:00 by Kay Mitchell.

Minutes of the May 1, 2017 were approved (Jan/Mike). **PASSED**

President's Business - Kay

**Lewis Young is resigning from the Board but will continue to do the newsletter. Carol Jorgenson was suggested as a possible replacement.

**Bob Lopp thanked us for our support of Jane. As of September 2017 the Board will no longer be able to meet at his office but will be able to meet at the United Way Building. Meetings will begin at 6 with no potluck. Bruce may have another location.

**Corey passed around the monthly meeting refreshment sign up sheet.

**Calendars are paid for, all sold from now on are profit for FAS.

** Joe Batts - MA is interviewing five candidates in June for MA executive director

Education - Denny reported on the years progress. Education needs a brochure and waiver forms printed for distribution. Loon Society would like to be involved with FAS.

Birdathon, June 3, 2017 - Bruce The Tanagers had 169 species. Bruce detailed money we have made over the last ten years. It was decided to keep track of each team's donations.

Field Trip Issue The Board received a letter from Laura Law suggesting some changes with our field trips. Kay contacted three different state Audubons to get details on their rules for trips. Kathy and Corey will develop a set of rules for future trips. Kathy sent a letter of apology to Glacier Park Law Enforcement.

Meeting Length Issue We discussed how to shorten our monthly meetings. Most announcements can be made on our website or the newsletter, limit special programming to one each meeting and begin at 7 sharp. All emails of Board meetings should be read in advance, time limit on discussions, keep statements short, action items first on the agenda and let Kay know in advance your agenda items.

Purchase of projector Board decided to pass on less expensive projector from Tech Soup and try to make extra \$\$ in budget for higher quality one that Denny has located.

FAS Annual Payment to MA It was moved and seconded (Mike/Bob Lopp) to give \$1,000 to MA. **PASSED.**

2018 BIRD FESTIVAL PLANNING

Keynote speaker – Stuart Strahl

Welcome address – Mark Johnson

Festival Chairs – Kay Mitchell and Jan Metzmaker

Dessert Auction – Linda Winnie and Paula Smith, maybe Gail Cleveland

Volunteers – Marylane Pannell

Gail & Leo Jan will call

KC Voermans Jan will call

Gail and Mitch Linne

Barb Boorman Kay will call

Susanna Casey Gael will call

Bruce and Gail

John and Kathy H.

Dick and Pam W

John and Carol Free

Beverly Skinner Gael will call

Pam Haglund

Elaine Snyder

Maryann Madler Jan will call

Connie Cohen Jan will call

Dean Robbins

John Ashley and Tracy

Steve Gniadek

Reed Kuennen Jan will call

Richard Kuhl

Mike and Wendy Lauman

Linda DeKort Kay will call

Candy Naylor

Nancy Herrick

Craig Hohenberger

Pete Fisher

Josh Colville

Terry Divorky

Jack and Rachel Potter Jan will call

Paul Rossi

BJ Worth

Field Trip possibilities

Wild Wings

Lone Pine

Finger Lake

Bike and Birds

Conservation

Lubac

Stanton Lake & Tunnel Creek

Loons

Polebridge & North Fork

Wiley Dike

MT Land Reliance easement holder

Flowers

Bison Range

Lost Trail

GNP

W Valley Ponds

Swan River Nature Trail

WF Trail and Lazy Creek

Sprunger

Nine Pipes

Wild Horse Island – special money maker trip. (Pre or Post Festival)

Glacier Lake Missoula

Water Fowl Institute

Geology

Native Tours – Peoples Place

Smith Lake

Talley Lake

Swan Refuge

OSNA

Danny On

Lawrence Park

Bio Station

Bats

Fish Creek

Nine Pipes

**Field Trip organizers will write up descriptions of trips including restrooms, level of hiking, driving or walking, length.

Public Relations – free or low cost publicity

Print – Beacon, IL, HH, Pilot

PSA'S – Radio, KAJ TV, NPR

Website

Facebook

Glacier Bank

Signs at various venues

Welcome Birds Banners

Kalispell Chamber

Flathead Non Profits

**Jan will check for buses – GNP and MT Conservation Corp

**FAS will have a sales table

**Volunteers can attend sessions

**Partners can have info booths

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Marylane Pannell

