TWS Board Meeting Agenda

*San Francisco Bay Area Chapter*

*6:30 – 8:30 PM on January 19, 2021*

# Attendees

### Call-In

Natalie R., Hailey P., Kathleen G., Laura D., Meghan B., Rachel R., Molly D., Ricka S., Carli B., Molly P., Patricia V.

### Absent

Joe D., Mary Y, Lauren R., Nicole C., Leslie K.

# Agenda

## Old Business

* Vote to approve prior meeting minutes
	+ Nat R. votes to approve; Rachel R. seconds
		- Ayes: HP, KG, MB, MD, LD
		- Abstain: PV, RS
	+ Minutes Approved
* Review of action items from December meeting
	+ Completed

## New Business

### President Updates

* 2020 Admin-Related Accomplishments
	+ Redid membership tracking system
	+ Created new Board SOPs
	+ Updated Chapter Bylaws
* Items to address in monthly email to membership
	+ Send items to include in email to Nat R ASAP
	+ IUCN Webinar (1/27)
	+ Animex scholarship winners
	+ Conference special meetings - Diversity
	+ MBTA rule finalized
	+ Separate conference letter will be sent later
* Western Section Conference
	+ Halia, great job on Animex scholarship winners social media posts!
	+ How can we get members to *want* to attend our Chapter meeting?
		- Prizes? - WS Prez-elect wants to donate maple syrup!
	+ What do we need to do for the booth?
	+ What do we need to do for our field trip video?
* Chapter Annual Report
	+ Recommend changes
* TWS Election Coming up in two weeks!
* 2021-2022 term will continue to focus on DEI in our Chapter and in our field

### Secretary Updates

* Nothing to report

### President-Elect Updates

* Book Club planning in progress!
	+ Rachel will check in with Carli and Molly

### Past-President Updates

* Absent

### Treasurer Updates

* Our new treasurer for 2021, Molly, is all ready to go!
* Ricka and Molly and finishing the 2020 budget resolution

### Western Section Updates

* Virtual Exhibit Booth available for Chapters - Jan 25th likely to go live
* virtual field trip for the meeting that highlights your Chapter region. Mary did a great job compiling the videos
* Chapter Meetings will be held virtually on Tuesday February 2nd at 7pm. *A link will be available to those not attending the conference.*
* Silent auction as part of the Annual Meeting

### **Professional Development** Updates

* Butterfly Symposium is being postponed until 2022 with funder permission
* Brainstorming a 2021 Speaker Series
	+ A youth-focused Speaker series in conjunction with local schools or nonprofits to introduce students to wildlife biology
	+ A professional-focused speaker series
		- * Could do it as a free Brown Bag with an optional donation
	+ Opportunities/Topic Ideas
		- Alameda whipsnake + SF Gartnersnake
			* USFS contacts, Kara Swain, permitted biologists

### Conservation Affairs Updates

* A lot of environmental rules changed through executive order at the beginning of January. We will need to be vigilant to watch how those changes will change environmental laws/regulations

### Student Affairs Updates

* Absent

### Diversity Chair Updates

* No updates

### Website Updates

* No Updates

### Public affairs Updates

* Looking into opportunities for a virtual mixer, reaching out to different virtual escape rooms

### Historian Updates

* Absent

### Newsletter Updates

* Absent

Meeting adjourned by President at 8:13 PM