



TWS Board Meeting Minutes

San Francisco Bay Area Chapter

6:30 – 8:30 PM on May 19, 2020

- Meeting called to order at by President, President-Elect taking Minutes

Attendees:

Call-In

Voting Members: Natalie R. (President), Natalie G. (Past President), Ricka (Treasurer), Molly (Professional Development Chair), Patricia (Conservation Affairs Chair), Kathleen (Western Section Rep)

Non-voting Members: Leslie (Professional Development Co-Chair), Meghan (Media Director), Mary (Historian), Joe (Newsletter Editor)

Absent

Carli (Secretary), , Laura (Public Outreach Chair), Rachel (President-Elect), Halia (Student Affairs Chair)

Agenda:

Old Business

1. Vote to approve April meeting minutes
 - Natalie R. motions, Ricka seconds
 - Natalie G, Kathleen, Molly approved
 - Minutes approved
2. Review of Action Items from March Meeting
 - Completed
 - i. Shelter-in-place campaign spreadsheet
 - ii. twsbayarea to mailing list
 - iii. CAC info sent for newsletter
 - iv. Public meeting minutes to website
 - Incomplete
 - i. TWS Covid Survey
 - ii. Mt. Lion group
 - iii. Bylaw review

- To-Do
 - i. Send position SOP to president
 - ii. Send early career job resources to Halia

New Business

1. President Updates

- Monthly campaign ideas
 - i. At-home experiments/study
 - ii. Contribute to a Zooniverse project
 - iii. At home activities
 - 1. trivia
 - 2. Skype a scientist
 - 3. Night Life
- Bylaws
 - i. Vote to send updated bylaws to HQ for informal approval
 - 1. Ricka motions, Patricia seconds
 - 2. Natalie R., Molly, Kathleen, Natalie G approves
 - 3. Motion passes
- Membership Email
 - i. Send items to include in email to Nat R ASAP
 - ii. TWS Associate Member eWildlifer content
 - iii. Fisher listing
 - iv. Mt. Lion CESA listing request for info
 - v. FYLF listing
 - vi. Western spadefoot toad USFWS request for info - already sent out?
 - vii. Ivan's list of activities
- Certified Wildlife Biologist Workshop
 - i. well-promoted by National, but we will include in email
 - ii. the workshop/certification may pose barriers to biologists from diverse background
 - iii. Cost is prohibitive to many others

2. President-Elect Updates **Absent**

3. Past-President Updates - **None**

4. Treasurer Updates

- checking account is in good standing

5. Secretary Updates - **Absent**

6. Western Section Updates - **None**

7. Workshop Updates

- Online Workshops
 - i. Western Section is providing guidance for Chapters to expand workshop offerings

- ii. There are upcoming changes to workshop frequency
 - iii. Desire to have a consistent format for all Western Section workshops
8. Conservation Affairs Updates
- o Mt. Lion listing needs additional data or studies to support CESA listing
 - o Conservation Affairs are exploring virtual alternatives for the canceled fly-ins
 - o ESA proposed rule on new habitat definition to be released soon
 - o Funding cuts across the board will have an impact on conservation
9. Student Affairs Updates - **Absent**
10. Diversity Chair Updates - **Absent**
11. Website Updates - **None**
12. Public Affairs Updates - **Absent**
13. Historian Updates - **None**
14. Newsletter Updates
- o Summer newsletter in progress
 - i. Board Members should sent items to Joe for inclusion
 - ii. COVID membership feature