TWS Board Meeting Agenda

*San Francisco Bay Area Chapter*

*6:30 – 8:30 PM on November 17, 2020*

# Attendees:

## Call-In

Board Members: Natalie R, Kathleen, Mary, Hailey, Joe, Carli, Patricia, Molly, Leslie, Halia, Laura, Ricka,

Guests/ Chapter Members: Caitlyn Bishop, Nicole Christie

## Absent

Meghan, Natalie G.

# Agenda:

## Old Business

* Vote to approve minutes
	+ Abstain. Voting in December
* Review of action items from October meeting
	+ **Carli-** Move meeting minutes to Gdrive- **Completed**

## New Business

### President Updates

* New incoming board members!
	+ We now have a full 2021 board
* 2020 Goal - Get Admin in Order
	+ Complete By-laws - **Completed**
	+ Complete position SOPs - **Draft due by 2021**
		- Will be a discussion for December Meeting
	+ Figure out how to track members - **Completed**
* Monthly membership email
	+ Send any items to include ASAP
	+ Advertise student WS conference scholarships
	+ Native American internships with USFS
* 2021 Planning - Who’s with us?!
	+ Molly Dodge will be coming in as our potential new treasurer
* Professional Development Chair stipend
	+ PDC does a lot of work to coordinate workshops, and should be compensated to reflect that.
	+ Right now, stipend is taken when we make a profit
	+ Incoming PDC chair should start tracking their time to help organize stipends for 2021.
	+ PDC Committee should insert language into SOP about estimating a potential stipend per workshop as part of the budget.

### President-Elect Updates

* Merch!
	+ In progress, but looks very exciting
	+ Caitlyn B has a sister with a degree in scientific illustration for future merch

### Past-President Updates

* Nothing to Report

### Treasurer Updates

* Finances are steady from pre-pandemic
* Wix fees have been upgraded; we should investigate other options or vote to increase website spending for 2021 budget

### Secretary Updates

* 12 new members from our career workshop
* Starting in January, members will receive an email to remind them to renew their TWS SF Bay membership

### Western Section Updates

* Western Section Conference Updates
	+ Virtual exhibit booth available for chapters for free
		- Will be a webpage to sell merch, provide chapter information, and encourage membership
	+ Virtual field trips should highlight your Chapter region, can be fun, video due in early 2021
	+ Silent Auction as part of the Annual Meeting
		- Board members should brainstorm possible contributions
		- Chapter Meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 3rd at 7pm

### Professional Development Updates

* Online workshop update - Career Development
	+ First online workshop was very successful
	+ We made over $1,000 and reached a lot of people that we normally do not reach at our normal workshop orbit. Seemed to be more diverse both in background and age.
* Motion to Pay EveryPerson LLC the full workshop cost ($1,000): Molly
	+ Seconded: Natalie R.
	+ Aye: Kathleen, Patricia, Mary, Laura, Ricka, Rachel
	+ Abstain: Joe, Halia

### Conservation Affairs Updates

* LTWS Federal policy priorities
	+ House put out a lot of changes to the ESA
	+ New representatives that will join the house in January 2021 will be included in new lists for letter writing
* There is funding for Nutria control in CA
* CA recently passed a ban on 2nd generation rodenticide
* Mid-Peninsula predator control may change due to Candidate listing of the mountain lion
* Conservation Affairs Committee is looking for new proposals/issues to bring to their attention, follow up with Patricia if you have ideas

### **S**tudent Affairs Updates

* Animex scholarship accepting applications right now
* First SFSU virtual meeting had 11 attendees, was a very exciting first step!

### Diversity Chair Updates

* Absent

### Website Updates

* Absent

### Public affairs Updates

* Nothing to Report

### Historian Update

* Nothing to Report

### Newsletter Updates

* Newletter will include an update on fire damage in the Bay Area
* Talk to Joe if you want to contribute to the newsletter

President called meeting at 7:57 PM