



TWS Board Meeting Agenda

San Francisco Bay Area Chapter

6:30 – 8:30 PM on May 19, 2021

Attendees

Call-in

Rachel R, Mary Y, Meghan B, Natalie R, Molly D, Nicole C, Patricia V, Gabe R, Leslie K

Absent

Carli B, Kathleen G, Lauren R, Laura D

Agenda

Old Business

- Vote to approve prior meeting minutes
 - delayed

New Business

President Updates

- Book Club
 - Two regular attendees
 - Will try another book to see if attendance approves

Secretary Updates

- Absent

President-Elect Updates

- Absent

Past-President Updates

- No updates

Treasurer Updates

- Draft 2021 Budget is prepared
- Recently received membership dues check
- Budget item prepared for mid-year mixer

Western Section Updates

- Absent

Professional Development Updates

- Calendar for professional lecturer series

- 4th Thursdays every other month, starting in June (then August, November,...)
- Catherine Yasuda, Wildlife Trafficking June 24
- Anticoagulant rodenticides August 26
- Patricia will reach out to a speaker from Western Section for November
- Potential 2022 Workshops
 - Butterfly workshop (Monarch or Bay checkerspot)
 - Rare shoreline species workshop (not occurring this fall)
 - SFGS workshop?
- Section Zoom account may not work for lecture series because dates conflict with other events
 - May be able to use Leslie's Zoom account or Patricia's work account

Conservation Affairs Updates

- USFWS proposal to revoke MBTA final rule from January
 - Will use same EIS and public comment, so new comments may not be needed
 - Incidental take permit process would be initiated separately
- Drafted letters on ranching incentives and other state bills for state legislature
- SB 322 - Ranchlands - Rachel and Leslie will research when needed
- RAWA was introduced in House - need to start contacting Reps in support

Student Affairs Updates

- UC Berkeley chapter will renew contact in Fall 2021

Diversity Chair Updates

- Diversity Survey
 - Received four board member input on survey
 - Purpose is to identify possible issues, motivations, and challenges affecting inclusivity and identify resources needed
 - Goals could continue to develop
- Use mailchimp for survey?
 - One-time \$25 fee
- Equity, Inclusion, and Justice
 - Inviting more people in, or changing community so people want to join?
 - What scale are we trying to influence? (Board, chapter, profession?)
 - How to perpetuate Board inclusivity?
 - Diversity built in to bylaws as implementation and Diversity Chair (next iteration should change to something like Equity, Inclusion, and Justice Committee/Chair
 - When recruiting new Board members how can we perpetuate values of equity and inclusion?
 - Create pledge or statement to indoctrinate new members
 - Diversity Chair can review outputs, invitations, documents, events, etc. for inclusivity and equity
 - Actionable items

- Establish statement - When we host events we will try to host them equitably and move the events around to various areas and work with other groups
- Learn from 30x30 and other orgs that are doing similar work and advertise their efforts
- JEDI (Justice Equity Diversity Inclusion) meetings

Public Outreach Updates

- Absent

Website Updates

- New t-shirts
 - Kevin Wiseman is interested in collaborating on a frog art t-shirt and suggested organizations to donate proceeds to
 - Oakland Zoo
 - ONE Tam
 - Questions
 - Artist compensation?
 - Printing Costs

Historian Updates

- No updates

Newsletter Updates

- Absent

Meeting called by President: 8:05 PM