

Annual EEAI Membership Meeting Minutes

Adams Wildlife Sanctuary/ Illinois Audubon Headquarters Springfield, Illinois

March 20, 2009

Board members present: Sarah Livesay, Elizabeth Hagen-Moeller, Angela Smith, Janet Beach Davis, Paula Edgar, Patti Brown, Stacey Clementz, Richie Wolf, Nikki Dahlin, Jennifer Bunde, Kate Hellgren, Jessica Prince, Cyndi Duda.

Liaisons present: Steve Kolsto, Jo Skogland, Judy Miller, Tom Clay

voted on - yellow

Items requiring Action-Underlined

Items moved to Ad-Hoc- blue

- I. Call to Order: President; Sarah Livesay
Meeting called to order by Sarah at 12:23 pm- Sarah introduced out guest Mark Miller, Director of Natural Resources for Illinois. Mr. Miller welcomed the group and had several comments about the future plans of IDNR. Mr. Miller also took questions from the group.

- II. Motion to Approve February 6, 2009 Board Meeting minutes
Secretary, Janet Beach Davis: Motion made to accept meeting minutes as submitted made by Stacey Clementz; seconded by Patti Brown passed by voice vote.

- III. Motion to Approve 2009 Annual Financial Reports Treasurer, Becky Stokes Lambert : Motion made to accept budget as submitted made by Richie Wolf; seconded by Angela Smith passed by voice vote.

- IV. Nominations & Elections Announcements:
 - A. Review of 2009 Election Results:
Nominations/ Elections Co-Chair: Jo Skoglund
Jo thanked Jennie Bunde for her work on the online voting. There was an extremely high voting percentage with a 51% turnout.

- V. President's Report – Sarah asked everyone to read the Celebrating Our Accomplishments on the tables to see everything that has been done over the last year. EEAI has strengthened its ties with partner

organizations. \$3200 has been awarded in minigrants. EEAI has extended its reach across the state to bring new programs and professional development to members. We have joined national initiatives to improve Environmental Education across the country. Sarah introduced the Board of Directors to the membership. Sarah introduced Angela Smith, the outgoing past president and presented her with a plaque in thanks for her service to EEAI. Angela then spoke and thanked everyone who has helped her over the past years. Sarah introduced Elizabeth Hagen- Moeller, incoming president. Sarah then gave out the Presidential awards:

Jessica Prince has worked with many of our governmental initiatives.

Jessica Pascoe has worked with Flying Wild, not only training as a facilitator, but in her development of a supporting a bird tool kit.

Patti Brown has done outstanding board support by volunteering to tackle numerous projects.

Tom Clay and Jo Skogland for their work bringing Flying Wild to Illinois.

VI. EEAI 2009 Award Presentations: Chair, Stacey Clementz

Stacey presented the Non-Formal Educator of the Year Award to Patricia Sullivan.

Stacey presented the Malcolm Swan Award for Outstanding Service to Judy Miller.

VII. Regional Report additions no regional report additions.

VIII. Motion to Adjourn motion made to adjourn made by Angela Smith; seconded by Richie Wolf- meeting adjourned at 1:17pm