

Wabash Valley Audubon Society board meeting
Grand Traverse Pie Company

February 5th, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m. Introductions were made. Board members present were Carissa Lovett, Phil Cox, Lucinda Berry, Ellen Lunsford, and Kate Bergeson, and guest Andrew Hoffman.

There was no January meeting due to a lack of a quorum. Phil motioned to approve the minutes from the December 4th, 2014 meeting; Lucinda seconded. Lucinda gave the membership chair report.

Phil gave the Treasurer's report. There is \$6,424.46 in checking, \$422.21 in savings, and \$5,000.00 in CDs, as of February 5th. One CD comes due in March. All funds are with First Financial Bank. A total of \$1,255.00 has been donated in Henry Tamar's memory. There was also a total of \$60.00 in contributions made in memory of Al Davis.

Conservation and education report: There was an eagle program at Turkey Run State Park the weekend of Friday, January 30th-Saturday, February 1st. There is an Emerald Ash Borer Summit on February 12th from noon until 1:00 at the Vigo County Public Library.

The next invasive removal at Dobbs will be February 28th, weather permitting.

Phil will be ordering more supplies to hand out at events, including pencils, pens, magnets, tattoos, and stickers.

Recently completed events include the December 4th board meeting, Birding with WVAS on January 17th, and the January 21st member meeting.

Upcoming member meetings are February 18th at Vigo County Public Library (Native Bees of Indiana), March 18th at Dobbs Native American Museum, the April 15th banquet, and the May 20th picnic. Upcoming board meeting dates are March 5th, April 2nd, and May 7th. Birding with WVAS dates are February 21st, March 21st, April 18th, and May 30th. Earth Day at the White Violet Center at St. Mary of the Woods is April 18th; volunteers for the WVAS are needed. May 9th is the Big May Day Bird Count.

Possible field trips for spring were discussed. A trip to the Covered Bridge Gateway Trails Association trail near Rosedale is possible, as well as a wildflower hike at Karen Staub's.

We currently have 316 likes on Facebook, a significant increase from last count.

New business – possible locations for the April banquet were discussed. Nominations for the James Mason award can be submitted soon. Suggestion for people to contact as possible new board members will be needed soon.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.; Kate made the motion, Lucinda seconded. The next board meeting is Thursday, March 5th at Grand Traverse Pie Company.