

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES - Eastern Bird Banding Association, Oglebay Park, Wheeling, West Virginia, April 5, 1975

Meeting was called to order at 4:20 p.m., by Christopher N. Rose, President.

MINUTES: Minutes of 1974 meeting were accepted as corrected.

OLD BUSINESS: The President expressed concern over Membership. He suggested that each member solicit one new member this year. He also discussed the Sandy Hook, N.J. proposal.

Dr. Robert Pyle, Chairman of the Journal Joining Committee, explained the history of the problem and the WBBA-EBBA agreement. Membership approved the agreement by vote.

Editor Fred Schaeffer made a motion to bestow Honorary Membership on Ed Johnson, printer of EBBA NEWS. The motion was passed. He also discussed his problem regarding technical and non-technical papers submitted to EBBA NEWS.

NEW BUSINESS: The Nominating Committee presented the following slate of Nominees for the coming year:

President: Christopher N. Rose
First Vice-President: Ted Beckett
Second V.P.: Charles Blake
Third V.P.: Valerie Freer
Secretary: Kathleen Klimkiewicz
Treasurer: Davis Corkran
Council: (expiring in 1977)
William McIntosh, South Carolina
Dorothy Mitchell, Virginia
Samuel Tipton, North Carolina
Darwin Wood, New Jersey

After an invitation for nominations from the floor, it was moved and seconded that the Secretary cast the ballot electing the slate as nominated.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully,

Kathleen Klimkiewicz, Secretary

Approved:

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES - Eastern Bird Banding Association, Oglebay Park, Wheeling, West Virginia, April 4, 1975

Meeting called to order at 7:45 p.m., by Chris Rose, President.

ATTENDING: Ted Beckett, Dorothy Bordner, Gladys Cole, Dave Corkran, Mrs. Roger W. Foy, Valerie Freer, Ron French, Robert Leberman, Marie McDonald, Bert Murray, Robert Pantle, Fred Schaeffer, Fred Scott, Jeff Swinebroad, Robert Waechter, John Weske, Robert Yunick.

MINUTES: Minutes of the 1974 meeting stand as corrected.

OFFICERS REPORTS: President: Chris Rose-Progress has been made on the Journal Joining. There has been a great deal of correspondence. A letter was written to the General at Ft. Campbell regarding the bird killing there. Report accepted with thanks.

Secretary: Kathy Klimkiewicz-Requested that officers and councillors answer their own mail instead of sending membership requests, etc., to her. Report accepted with thanks.

Treasurer: Dave Corkran-Problem with finance is one of cash flow. However, we did operate within our budget and with a surplus. The new advertising policy will give us some additional income. Membership is still a problem as we are not growing. Membership is running too close to our budget. An Ad-Hoc Committee suggested to investigate financial and budget scheme as well as the Reserve Index of \$340.00; suggested for this was Becky Cregar. Report due by July 15, 1975. Report accepted with thanks.

Editor: Fred Schaeffer-A preliminary agreement was made with WBBA's President and EBBA's Editor on Sept. 9, 1974 to merge journals (subject to Council approval) of both associations. Fred also tendered his resignation as Editor. Agreement was signed with Xerox to microfilm EBBA NEWS and we will receive some money from royalties. Fred explained that he receives too many technical papers and not enough informal ones for EBBA NEWS. Report accepted with thanks.

STANDING COMMITTEES: Program: Ron French-Program at Wheeling is going well. Report accepted with thanks.

Location: Robert Pyle-The 1976 meeting will be hosted by the Mid-Atlantic Bird Banding Group at the National 4-H Center, Chevy Chase, Maryland. Report accepted with thanks.

Finance: Ted Beckett-No Report.

Publications: Fred Scott-No Report.

Nominations: Marie McDonald-The Committee presented the following slate of nominees for 1975:

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 First V.P.: Ted Beckett
 Second V.P.: Charles Blake
 Third V.P.: Valerie Freer
 Secretary: Kathleen Klimkiewicz
 Treasurer: Davis Corkran

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Council: (expiring in 1977)

William McIntosh, South Carolina
 Dorothy Mitchell, Virginia
 Samuel Tipton, North Carolina
 Darwin Wood, New Jersey

A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the slate as presented. Report accepted with thanks.

Conservation: Seldon Spencer-A committee was established which included myself, Mrs. Bradley Fisk and Mrs. Edith Andrews. This committee looked into establishing a permanent banding station at Sandy Hook, N.J. Concerns: Research on the blackbird roost problems. Report accepted with thanks.

Auditing: No Chairman appointed, so Dave Corkran hired an Auditor who certified all records to be in order. Report accepted with thanks.

Memorial Grant: Bert Murray-Publicity was late this year and only two applications were received. The committee recommended Jonathan Bart be given a \$250.00 Grant for his study on "Clutch Size in the Robin". A motion was made and seconded and carried. Report accepted with thanks.

Education: Valerie Freer-No written report. Will give workshop at the meeting for "Beginning Banders". Chairman questioned intent of committee. We agreed that it should be to educate the public and the banders. We asked about the status of the "slide file". The Chairman was directed to pursue this matter.

Membership: Jane Church-The Bird Banding Laboratory issued 94 new permits and all were contacted. The Chairman and one committee member, Kathy Klimkiewicz were the ONLY ONES who worked on a proposal to increase membership. Other members of the committee ignored all efforts at correspondence by the Chairman. Efforts were thus postponed until after the Annual Meeting. The new members, which totaled 47 were realized from efforts of the committee. The committee asked for a current membership list as the 1973 list is very out of date. The President agreed to send Kathy Klimkiewicz a list of current members. Additional copies of the membership brochure will be available from the Secretary. Accepted with thanks.

Nets: Robert Waechter-The backlog of last year is still not cleared out. The committee is having some problems with Customs. The gross business is \$10,000 and we are the sole distributor for the Japanese Company involved. Prices for nets are being kept near actual cost with a profit of \$300-\$500 per year to EBBA. Accepted with thanks.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES: Ethics: Robert Yunick-The following resolution was presented to Council:

"We do wish to recommend to Council that it approve and present to the BBL a resolution which would require that the following con-

sideration be given before refusing to renew a member's permit due to alleged improper action on the part of that member:

- 1) The accused be acquainted fully with the specific charge brought against him (the identity of the accuser may or may not be revealed at the discretion of the BBL).
- 2) The accused be offered the right to affirm, deny or explain the nature of the charge.
- 3) The BBL investigate the charge for corroboration, if possible, and veracity.
- 4) The accused be made aware of the decision of the BBL.
- 5) Further, it seems appropriate that some brief set of rules or standards should be made available by the BBL to acquaint all banders with the procedures that should be followed for reporting observed improprieties on the part of another bander. Lest one get the impression that this committee recommends intensified spying or tattling on anyone, I wish to point out that in most cases the first obligation of any bander should be to inform the person in question about the improper practice, and only if the advice or warning is ignored and the matter is deemed serious enough should one resort to contacting the BBL."

It was moved, seconded and carried to forward this resolution to George Jonkel, Chief, Bird Banding Laboratory, Laurel, Maryland.

The Banding Ethics Committee was again charged with the task of formulating a set of ethics' guidelines for banders to use in the field; these will be presented to Council for approval, then published in EBBA NEWS. Report received with thanks.

Journal Joining: Robert Pyle-The following proposal was submitted to Council:

Proposal: To print EBBA NEWS (EN) and WESTERN BIRD BANDER (WBB) in a common format, bind them together in one cover, and mail the combined publication to memberships of both Associations.

Objectives: 1) To make banding information in both journals available to members of both Associations more affectively and in a more co-ordinated way than at present, with duplication eliminated but with regional flavor preserved.

2) To publish EBBA NEWS at lower cost through joint printing and mailing with WBBA, and using WBBA's printer.

Procedural Items: 1) Combined publication to begin with the first issue of 1976.

2) Format would be the same as the current WBB:

I-8 1/2 x 11 inch pages; 2 columns of text; photo typeset.

II-24 consecutive pages each for EN and WBB; EN and WBB would be the front half in alternate years.

WBB format has about 5600 characters per page, compared to about 3000 for the present EN; hence, 24 pages of WBB for-

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mat contains same material as about 45 pages of present EN. III-Outside cover with title; one suggestion for title is "North American Bird Bander".

3) Each Editor retains full editorial control of his section, including use of traditional title page and continuing the current volume and issue number series if desired. Editors may agree to devote one or two pages to common material that would not be part of either section.

4) Each Editor would be responsible for preparing his own material. Material need not be in perfect camera-ready form as required now for EN, since it will be photo-typeset by the printer.

5) Printing to be done by current WBB printer in Phoenix, Ariz.

6) Printing costs to be shared as follows:

I-Assuming each Association uses same number of pages, the cost for first 1200 copies (600 for each Association) would be shared equally, (600 is the normal print order now for WBBA). EBBA would pay for additional copies beyond 600 needed for its larger mailing list.

II-If later one Association should have more pages than the other, costs for first 1200 copies would be shared in proportion to number of pages used. EBBA would pay for the additional copies it needs.

7) Advertising rates would be the same for both sections. Each Association pays any extra costs of preparing and printing its ads, and retains revenue from its ads.

8) EBBA prepares mailing labels for both Associations. WBBA is responsible for mailing to both Associations' lists. Each Association pays for its own postage, and for postage due on returns.

9) The Journal is to be copyrighted, copyright fee to be shared equally by both Associations.

10) Regular dues are to be the same (currently \$6.00 per year) for both Associations; higher categories of dues to be at discretion of each Association.

Cost Analysis: New format- 48 pages; photo-typesetting, printing and assembling:

Ed Johnson...Cost: \$1100 for 1000 copies
\$1500+ for 1200 copies
\$ 250 for next 600 copies

EBBA's Cost:
\$618 for first 600 copies
\$743 for 900 copies
\$868 for 1200 copies

Plus small additional charge for preparing any photos, tables or ads for printing.

These estimates received from WBBA Editor on March 11, 1975, and based on her recent quote from printer. Current EN Format: Winter 1975; 44 pages including cover; photo-reduction, printing

and assembling...

EBBA's cost:

\$630.50 for 975 copies delivered
(736 mailed), plus \$22.00 for
preparing photos.

Postage Costs: Bulk third class rate: now 6.1¢ per copy for anything up to 16 oz. A 48 page issue in WBB format weighs about 4 oz. WBB is currently mailed stapled closed, without envelope.

Dual Memberships:

Current total mailing list:	EBBA 628	WBB 365
Dual members (on both EBBA & WBB lists)	74	
Number who reside in EBBA States	24	
in WBB States	29	
in NEBBA States	4	
in IBBA States	17	

Concerns of Council:

- 1) Cost of combined journals vs. cost of separate journal.
- 2) Page size.
- 3) Location of printer.
- 4) Separate vs. joint editorship
- 5) Type-setting vs. photo-ready copy
- 6) Co-ordination of material in new journal.
- 7) Proof reading copy if printer is in West.
- 8) Possible loss of members.

The following motion was made by Robert Pyle:

"I move that Council accept this proposal in principle and ask or direct or instruct the Editor of EBBA NEWS and the Chairman of the Journal Joining Committee to work with its Western counterparts towards implementing this effective with the calendar year 1976 and with the proviso that they are not to commit EBBA to any cost substantially higher than are contained in this proposal without first getting approval of Council". The motion was seconded and carried. A Roll Call vote was taken with eight (8) YES and five (5) NO. Voting was as follows:

Ron French...yes	Bob Leberman...yes
Bob Pyle...yes	John Weske...no
Ted Beckett...no	Gladys Cole...no
Kathy Klimkiewicz...yes	Dorothy Bordner...no
Dave Corkran...no	Bob Pantle...yes
Fred Schaeffer...yes	Jeff Swinebroad...yes
Dottie Foy...yes	

Wally Kennison's vote was by proxy in writing to Chris Rose (Pres.) Since this was not handled in accordance with our By-Laws, Article VII, Section 7, paragraph 2, his vote was not counted.

SPECIAL REPORT: Historian: Mrs. Roger W. Foy- A Traveling Photo Album has been set-up and will be sent out after the meeting. I have received a bound volume of EBBA's correspondence dating from 1923 to 1937. This will be used when writing EBBA's history.

OLD BUSINESS: The By-Law amendment regarding resignation of Councillors was tabled due to a motion by Jeff Swinebroad to change order of agenda.

NEW BUSINESS: EBBA accepted with regret the resignation of Ron French (First Vice-President); Robert Pyle (Second Vice-President) and Stanley Dickerson (EBBA's Attorney).

Other New Business i.e. Regional meetings and Communications were tabled by Jeff Swinebroad's motion to change the order of the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 12:15 a.m.

Respectfully,

Kathleen Klimkiewicz, Secretary

Approved:

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES - Eastern Bird Banding Association, Oglebay Park, Wheeling, West Virginia, April 5, 1975.

Meeting was called to order at 11:00 p.m., by Christopher N. Rose, Pres., to resolve the matter of Editorship of EBBA NEWS.

ATTENDING: Since this was an emergency meeting it was attended by those we could contact at the late hour of 11:00 p.m., and a list was not kept.

SPECIAL BUSINESS: Fred Schaeffer withdrew his resignation and agreed to remain Editor for at least one more year.

We emphasized that we could not guarantee the conditions requested by Fred. However, we would do our best. He is obligated to see the Journal Joining through. Council suggested a Co-Editor to work with Fred. It was also suggested that we have an Editorial Board to work with the Editor (2-3 members).

A motion was made, seconded and carried to reject Fred Schaeffer's resignation as Editor of EBBA NEWS and that he continue until the next Annual Meeting. However, efforts should be undertaken to seek a replacement.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 11:40 p.m.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Klimkiewicz, Secretary