

Inland Regional News

Inland Bird Banding Association

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Inland Bird Banding Association Business Meeting Sutton Avian Research Center Bartlesville, Oklahoma 6 Nov 2004

Meeting called to order by President Mark Shieldcastle at 4:10 pm.

Minutes of the 2003 meeting were accepted as published in *NABB* 28 (3).

Treasurer's report was provided. Three-year comparisons of all three accounts show that fluctuations within the accounts vary only slightly from year to year. All surplus funds are invested in stair step CDs, which allows for necessary liquidity. All accounts are now with Old Fort Savings Bank in Fremont, Ohio. In the Operations account, the 2004 receipts are \$6,521.37 derived from dues and interest. Disbursements are \$5,976.56 consisting of *NABB* fees and postage. Varner motioned, Tom Bartlett seconded and the report was accepted.

Membership: Life members 89, Sustaining members 14, Regular members 206 with 4 No NABB members and no Student members currently. A detailing showed 20 states and two provinces having members ranging from North Dakota with one member to Wisconsin with 39. The board was encouraged to recruit more members, especially within the lower represented locations. T. Bartlett moved and Hutcheson seconded and the report was accepted.

Editor: Lowther was unable to attend, but sent a report that within the most recent four issues of NABB (ending with vol. 29, no. 2), IBBA had eight pages of articles and 20 pages of notes. However, one issue was without any notes. All board members were strongly urged to provide anecdotes and informal notes for the Notes section. A number of informational reports, such as the scholarships, minutes, etc. were also suggested. The annual banding reports will be continued. Bartlett will specifically request these reports along with the annual dues notices. Back issues of NABB will soon be web accessible at http://elibrary.unm.edu/sora/. Scanning was funded by a grant from the BBL. The report was accepted.

North American Banding Council: Bartlett – NABC met in September 2003 at Delta, Manitoba, and again at Cornell and a certification session for banders and trainers was held in Braddock Bay, New York. A page for NABC has been included in *NABB*. The council is evolving and plans to move toward more individualized certification at local sites. The training manuals can be located on the NABC web site (http://www.nabanding.net). Recertification was grandfathered for this year.

Old Business:

By-Law Revisions: Bartlett - Changes for Articles 5.1 and 5.3 to allow Director terms to two succeeding terms from the current one will be drafted by Bartlett for the next meeting. Bartlett

proposed the amendment of the 2003 minutes to remove the phrase "how to have a meeting" from the by-laws section. Motion approved.

Grant Awards: Kleen – A grant for the "Development of an On-Line Archive of Photos of Ageing and Sexing Criteria for North American Birds" was requested by Kenneth Burton. Materials needed will include a digital camera with a 512 mb memory card costing approximately \$745. Kleen moved that the Paul Stewart Fund be utilized, Dana seconded and the board approved.

Meeting Manual: Shieldcastle – The manual was used by Cimprich for the Bartlesville meeting. He will provide comments for updating and the manual will be available for future hosts.

Web Page: The need to stay in contact with the web host was discussed. It may be that a new host will be necessary. A suggestion to re-design the logo was also commented upon. A committee will be formed with volunteers and presidential appointments. We need not just programmers but people to say what is wanted on the site.

Future Meeting Sites: The 2005 meeting will be held at Kalamazoo Nature Center in Michigan. Tennessee is a possibility for 2006 and discussion for a joint meeting with Western Bird Banding Association was mentioned for 2007. Kentucky and South Dakota were considered possible sites for the joint meeting. Indiana Dunes has sent in a request to hold a meeting.

New Business:

It was recommended that IBBA follow the EBBA format for banding station reporting. A question-naire will be sent out with the membership renewal.

Nominations Committee: James Coffman, Deb Plotts, and Dan Webb provided a proposed slate of board members and officers. Bartlett moved that the slate be accepted, J. Shieldcastle seconded and the nominations were approved. Elected were officers President James Ingold, 1st Vice President, Vernon Kleen, 2nd Vice President Tom Bartlett, Secretary Betty Grenon and Treasurer Dave Cimprich and directors Sumner Dana, Tom

Kashmer and Cathie Hutcheson.

Cimprich moved that the surplus funds from the conference be donated to the Sutton Center After some discussion Hoskins amended the motion to split the funds, ¾ to the Sutton Center and ¼ to the Tallgrass Prairie. Varner seconded and the amended motion was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Elizabeth Grenon Secretary

Persons in Attendance: (IL) Vernon Kleen, Tom May, Cathie Hutcheson; (IA) Nelson Hoskins, (MD) Monica Tomosy; (MO) Linda Tossing, Nadine Varner; Craig Hensley, Colleen Crank, (NE) Betty Grenon, Rick Schmid; (OH) Tom Kashmer, Julie West, Julie & Mark Shieldcastle, Kim Fredritz, Gary Neuman, Tom Bartlett, Paula Bartlett, Dan Webb; (OK) Georgina & Richard Stuart, Doug Wood, Don & Joyce Varner, Don & Claudia Glass, Ted Goulden, Bret Umber, Dan Moore, James Moore; (TN) David Vogt; (TX) David Cimprich, Sumner Dana, Becky Peak, Sandra Polcyn, Stephanie Polcyn, Jennifer Maxwell.

2004 Banding Data for IBBA's Annual Report

Send number of individuals banded by species during 2004 in phylogenetic order by state of banding to:

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