

Draft Minutes for September 19, 2013
Audubon of Southwest Florida
Calusa Nature Center and Planetarium,
Thursday, 7 pm

1. Call to Order and attendance: Attending were Black, Veaux, Forbes, Averhart, Cornell, Rodenfels, Daltry, and Terry Cunningham for CNCP
2. Minutes of August 15th: Motion to approve by Rodenfels, second by Forbes, approved unanimously.
3. Treasurers Report: Report accepted as presented, funding approved Shorebird training, and for sponsorship of Everglades Conference.
4. Committee Reports
 - a. Conservation:
 - 2020 Update: No new funds from FY 2013-14 budget, lobbying position for funding for FY 2014-15.
 - Environmental Education Update, from County Budget: Two important positions cut, end of Mangrove Café, unless Parks Department Director intervenes.
 - Land and Legacy Update: Carl Veaux garnered the signatures needed for the \$500 donation, which he has donated, \$150 to CNCP for their support (post meeting polling)
 - Everglades Restoration/CERP/CEPP Update: Progress moving, but concern over unbalanced water budget, since excess flows get diverted largely our way. Flow way south properly executed would resolve the issue.
 - b. Education: FGCU has started process for next scholarship.
 - c. Field Trips: Hawk Walk at Sanibel Lighthouse, October 20th 8am. (Flier endorsed and appreciated). Preliminary set of trips being developed by subcommittee to cover the period through April.
 - d. Programs: (Pending, October is meeting to prepare for Breakfast) Cheryl Black will have one in January. Jason Lauritson from Collier Audubon to prepare one. December meeting is annual party.also.
 - e. Publicity: (Pending)
 - f. Other: Christmas Birdcount circles, information to be circulated.
5. National and State Audubon updates: October 25-6 is Audubon Assembly, where the regional conservation plans get endorsed.
6. Old Business
 - Newsletter..Beautiful Newsletter...Circulation with annual appeal, to go out

Environmental Breakfast Status Report: Given, volunteers contact JimR
Subcommittee on selection of award recipients: To be an email poll
Silent Auction for Breakfast: solicit items, to assist in funding plans for the CNCP

Aviary.

7. New Business:

CNCP Update: Provided by Terry Cunningham, Director of Operations

Photo Contest: Cheryl Black will develop concept.

8. Next meeting Date

9. Adjourn