

Agenda for Board Meeting  
Audubon of Southwest Florida, Inc. (ASWF)  
June 16, 2022  
2 pm Conservation Committee Meeting (optional), followed by  
Post-Election Organizational Board Meeting  
Collaboratory, Fort Myers

Call to Order and Attendance

At 2:10 pm; Attendance (those attending in bold)

**Gerri Reaves (P)** Brad Cornell Lina Ramirez-Granada

**Dan VanNorman (VP)** **Robin Serne** Wayne Daltry

**Jim Rodenfels (T)** Michele Bellinger

Carol Newcomb (S) Pete Quasius

Guests: \_\_\_\_\_None

**Old Business**

The minutes of the May 19, 2022 meeting were approved.

Jim Rodenfels presented the treasurer's report for May 2022, and noted in the membership report that numbers are steady.

Conservation update: Robin Serne reported a brief conservation update about the LEICWA; Carlos Beach, and Shorebird Stewardship. Dan VanNorman does not plan to attend the EvCo Quarterly Retreat. There has not been a meeting of the Estero Bay ABM. Gerri gave an update on bird-glass collision.

Jim Rodenfels gave an update on Field Trips: On June 12<sup>th</sup> there was a field trip to Lakes Park, with a focus on photography and ecology, 17 bird species were recorded. Next field trip will be Harns Marsh on July 16 at 7:30am.

Programs & Events: The group voted unanimously to cancel this year's Environmental Breakfast, and instead focus organizational capacity on programs related to the Audubon Assembly, for which Audubon SW Fl will organize several outings in Fort Myers.

Publicity, Website, Newsletter, & Social Media/Jim: Review DRAFT June Gmail blast; send additions to Jim by June 26

Education Committee: Robin Serne is this year's scholarship recipient

**New/Updated Business:**

Budget: The 2022-2023 budget was discussed thoroughly and a unanimous motion was made to approve the budget as discussed.

Conflict of Interest Policy: the conflict of interest policy was unanimously approved.

**Establish Committees for 2022-2023**

- Audit committee was updated to include Robin Serne in place of Gerri Reaves.
- Robin Serne was added to the Field Trips committee in place of Vivian.
- Next year's photo contest will be chaired by Lina Ramirez Granada, with help from Robin.
- Robin will replace Lina as the representative to the Estero Bay ABM
- A new committee was added for "Festivals, Conferences, & Other Events" to include Earth Day, Burrowing Owl Festival, Everglades Coalition Conference, AWRA Conference, CHNEP, Audubon Assembly, and others. Chaired by Dan VanNorman

The Board brainstormed ideas for a grant application that is due soon

As usual, there will not be a meeting in July

Meeting Adjourned at 4 pm

**Next Meeting Date:** August 18, 2022

Annotated and submitted by Robin Serne.

On June 17, 2022