

Minutes: Meeting of the Board of Directors
Audubon of Southwest Florida, Inc. (ASWF)
August 21, 2025 on Zoom at 5:15 pm

Call to Order 5:15 PM

Attendance (those attending in bold)

Gerri Reaves (P) **Brad Cornell**
Dan VanNorman (VP) **Lona Philpot**
Ira Geshelin (2nd VP/T) **Vince McGrath (PP)**
Robin Serne (Sec)

Guests: Yohn Villalta, Ani Dues

Minutes of June 19, 2025 meeting approved by unanimous consent.

Treasurer's Report/Ira

- Motion to disburse \$2,500 to CREW Land and Water Trust for completion of the 2025 Audubon Florida Plants for Birds Grant approved by unanimous consent.

Accounts access & continuity/Gerri

Committee Reports

Conservation:

- Brad/RCC
- Robin & Brad/LEICWA & Shorebird Stewardship
 - Ani Dues will be Lead Shorebird Steward, with Yohn Villalta as Assistant Shorebird Steward.
 - The Assistant Shorebird Steward position will be offered both Fall and Spring.
- Dan/EvCo: Conference in Naples, January 28-30; sign-ons
- Lona/Bluebird monitoring at Babcock
- Gerri/Glass collisions & communication towers

Membership/Gerri: National (July) 1110, Local a. 160

Field Trips/Robin

- 2025-2026 field trips schedule is complete.

Public Outreach (Publicity, Website, Social Media, & Newsletter):

- Due date for next newsletter items: September 20
- Newsletter editor needed
- Website updates

Festivals, Conferences, & Other Events/Dan:

- Year's line-up
- Motion to allocate \$100 for a new tablecloth approved by unanimous consent.

Education/Gerri

National & State Audubon Updates/Brad:

- Assembly, October 16-18

Old Business

New/Updated/Ongoing Business:

- Compliance letter received/Gerri
- Grant reports submitted/Robin
 - CREW Plants for Birds grant is complete.
- FGCU Ornithology Club collaboration/Gerri & Robin
- CHNEP Summit, September 16-17
- CBC

Other Business

- Revitalize Charles Foster Conservation Fund with a committee.

Adjournment 6:42 PM

Next Regular Board Meeting Date: Thursday, September 18, 2025 at 5:15 p.m. on Zoom

Annotated and submitted by Robin Serne
On August 22, 2025