

Subj: Unedited Board Meeting Minutes for 4/27/05

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Barbara, Here are Unedited Board Meeting Minutes for 4/27/05

Meeting called to order at 7.10pm by Lisa Baumbach-Reardon (LBR) President, at office of Fred Griffin in Davie, Fla. In attendance, Dr. Barbara K. Pryor (B. Pryor), Barry Heimlich (BH), Joan Florsheim (JF), Doug Young (DY), Marti Reynolds (MR), and Fred Griffin (FG), acting as rec'd sect for the meeting. A quorum was present.

No copies of previous meeting available so that those will be reviewed at next Board Meeting.

LBR: Old business: FG gave report on Birdathon. No participation by general membership, but two pledges secured of \$92. Suggested that Birdathon be a separate event and have own chair. Need early start. Suggested that this be done as event by itself. FG mentioned that Paddy Cunningham-Pescatore is having Ft DeSoto weekend 4/30 to 5/2 and has 9 people going with a contribution to BCAS of about \$50 per person. This trip needs more publicity as it has been a popular trip in the past and could be a big event.

LBR: On May 21, BCAS meets at Fern Forest for its annual meeting for election of Board. There will be a birding trip lead by FG at am and a meeting at 11am with elections and picnic afterwards furnished by BCAS, LBR to handle logistics, but RSVP need to be made with BCAS phone or email by 5/14. Those nominated for the 2005-2006 board are: Barry Heimlich, Doug Young, Dr. Barbara K. Pryor, Joan Florsheim, Ken Burgener, Marti Reynolds, Paddy Cunningham-Pescatore, Gloria Cashin, Lisa Baumbach-Reardon, and Fred Rehage. Nominations from the floor will be entertained and after the Board is elected it will take a vote on the Officers.

MR: Next year will there be monthly meetings? BH: Yes, starting in Sept or Oct and going thru May with time out in Dec. Meetings will be held at Fern Forest as consensus is that it is an excellent place for all of Broward Co and S Palm Beach Co as well.

LBR: Suggested a postcard announcing the Annual meeting and it was further decided that a one sheet mailer would be done listing what was done this last year at BH suggestion. Our Editor, B. Pryor will be contacted to do so.

New Business: LBR: Former Sen Bob Graham to be honored at dinner in Wash DC by Parks Assoc. for his work on Everglades. It is suggested that we write a letter commending him and send a \$100 donation to the Parks Assoc. So moved by MR, second by DY and approved.

LBR and DY: Report on Audubon Academy at St Pete during March. The event gave chapter leadership guidance on how and what to do to better organize and how to introduce new board members to what is going on. Suggested that an organization manual be set up. A presentation was given by independent fundraiser whose services are being used by some chapters. All chapters present reported difficulty of finding folks to serve on board. Next session is in Oct.

BH; Airport expansion: Attended a meeting by Broward Airport Authority where it was indicated Leigh-Fisher is doing more studies and a new EIS is due soon. BH made plea for Parallel north runway. Attendance was very low.

FR: Attended opening of new Flood gates and Pump Station on the C11. This will help in attaining the phosphorus level consistent with water quality requirements of the Everglades.

BH; Because the sugar industry will phase out in the next decade or so, there needs to be participation by all of S Fla in the use of the sugarlands to make sure it is not all developed and that a good portion be returned to its original headwaters of the Everglades. To be persuaded thru the Everglades Coalition.

MR: BCAS scholarship should go to a student as recognition for studies in environmental areas. She will have a nomination from S

Plantation magnet group. The amt. is \$400 and the student will be requested to give a short presentation next fall.

New Business: BH reviewed Finance committee (BH, JF, FG, MR) activities. Met with Schwab and Wachovia and decided to have Schwab be the advisor. A moderate conservative approach was requested by the committee and based on that Schwab drew up a recommended portfolio for BCAS, such investments to yield between 6 and 7% annually. BH drew up a financial agenda which is a part of these records, incorporated below. Agenda was moved by FG and seconded by FR. It was approved by all attending.

LBR: BCAS needs storage space and to that end she will get three bids for space.

No further business being presented, the meeting was adjourned at 9.10pm

**Submitted by Fred Griffin Asst Secretary
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