**Texas Ornithological Society**

Board Meeting Minutes, Zoom Call, June 18, 2024

Present on tonight’s call were Romey Swanson, Judy Kestner, Ron Huebner, Christine Turnbull, Lynn Thompson, Kendra Kocab, Pam Pipes, Kelly Smith, and Lorrie Mathers. Absent were Laura Wilson, Clay Taylor, Sam Wolfe, Crystal Ledezma.

President Romey Swanson called the meeting to order at 6:38 pm. In his opening remarks, he welcomed new board members and talked about the unrealized/unfilled opportunities we have as a board.

**Minutes**

Lynn Thompson read the minutes from the May 2 Board Meeting and those from the May 25 Executive Committee Zoom Meeting. In the spirit of transparency, Romey wants to share all the minutes with the board and directors. Minutes were approved, none opposed.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Lorrie Mathers reviewed the published May financial report. Ending balance for May 31 was $1,035,506. Pam Pipes moved that the treasurer’s report be approved; Kelly Smith seconded. Report was approved, none opposed.

Further discussion about status of Judy Kestner’s employment in regard to receiving a 1099 or W2. Tabling the discussion until November.

**Committees**

Romey asked about makeups of TOS committees. Judy commented that in some cases it was just the chairperson. Romey asked board members about reimplementing the research and grants committees. Kelly Smith moved that we restart those committees; Kendra Kocab seconded. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

**Winter 2025 Meeting**

First Zoom with Meeting Committee will be Monday, June 27. Will be in Port Arthur-Beaumont area.

**Weekenders**

Janey Woodley has one planned so far in North Texas area.

**August Retreat**

Judy Kestner will send out logistics for retreat on August 23-25.

Lynn Thompson motioned the meeting be adjourned; Lorrie Mathers seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Lynn Thompson. Secretary