

Minnesota Dragonfly Society

Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2019

I. Call to order

Curt Oien called to order the regular meeting of the Minnesota Dragonfly Society Board at 6:33pm on March 21, 2019 at Delicata in Saint Paul, MN.

II. Roll call

BOD Members:

Mike Moen
Curt Oien
John Arthur
Ami Thompson
Mitch Haag
Briana Foster
Katherine Dickerson
Leah Darst
Curt Oien
Amy Jo Forslund

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Review of meeting minutes from Board Meeting held on 02/12/2019.

Motion to accept – John A

Seconded – Ami T

IV. Agenda Items

1.) Board Members Vote for President and Vice President

- President – Curt
- Vice President - Briana
 - Motion for Curt as President , and Brianna as Vice President - Amy Jo

- Second – John
- All Approved.

2.) Reviewed Jeff's Letter to Curt with action items:

- a. Gave approval for Jeff to spend the money needed for the MDS/WDS combined meeting
- b. Jeff said in the e-mail that he cannot continue as Communication Committee Chairman
- c. Talked about how to reduce the current 4 MDS Facebook pages to 2, but no solution was decided upon.

3.) Treasurer Report

Perk was not present.

4.) Committee Reports

- Research
 - MNHS Final Report
 - Finished and submitted by Ami
 - Thanks Ami!
 - Re-curation is still a work in process
 - Need to schedule a Research Committee meeting soon.
- Events/Education
 - Combined now as Tina is now located out of state
 - Leah said that she will be Chair
 - Next meeting on Monday Mar 25 for Lead training planning
 - There are a few outside groups also doing surveys and would like to coordinate their training with ours
 - Some have asked MDS if we could we find a way to have a ID Training kit?

- Communication
 - Curt, Brianna, John, and Leah to meet and talk about future role of Communication Committee
- Misc
 - Angela suggested that all Committees should decide 3-5 main goals for 2019. What are those goals and how will they achieve them?
 - The BOD decided that each committee should be doing this at their meetings

5.) Arne Memorial

- Ami has an email from Rob Blair of MMN that we could have a MDS award for a MMN every year
- Call it the Arne M Award
- MDS would receive the applications and choose the winners every year
- The giving of the Award would be at the annual Gathering Partners meeting
- Decide how many years to do – start for 5 years
- Start with 2020 Gathering Partner meeting
- Would need to provide the funds for the net, and books
- Mike made motion to do this
- Second by John
- Agreed by all

6.) Various Duties

- PO Box - Angela and Perk? (Curt give key to Perk.)
- Info email – Curt was apparently the only one to get these
 - What are most emails about?
 - Who wants to check this?
 - Brianna to do this
- Membership retention and renewal
 - Part of future Communications Committee work
- Update board positions and contact information in documents
 - Brianna to help with this
- Newsletters and meeting minutes used to be updated on the website.
- Will this still be a thing or should the old stuff be taken down? Who will make sure this gets done?

7.) Newsletter and Social Media

- Perk needs stories etc... (Is a helper desired?)
- Anyone want run with social media?
 - Communications Comm to discuss at their next meeting
- Arnie's former duties?
 - Communications Comm to discuss at their next meeting

8.) Volunteer Spring Training and MDG

- Spring Volunteer and ID Training (Leah and Marti)
 - If at NWR cannot be until May 11
 - Morning - Lead Training
 - Afternoon - ID Training
 - Also looking at Richardson
 - Maybe Coon Rapids Dam
 - Next Event Committee meeting to discuss and decide dates and location
- MDG (Jeff)
 - Jeff not at meeting so table for next month
 - June 7-8-9 at Interstate Park with WDS
 - Amy Jo to ask him if he needs any help

9.) Inventory

- Curt to gather and inventory all kits
- Order supplies
- Have 3 full kits plus one extra golf bag
- Perk wants to look at Floppy hats
- Need to look at tee shirt supplies
 - Do we want the same design
- Can we get kids sizes?
- Tank tops?

10.) Supplies for U of MN Insect Collection

- Curt asked about spending some money for some curation supplies
- Ami said that for under \$500 he can do this himself

11.) MDS Future

- Need to decide MDS home, annual meeting location
 - a. Warner has no longer has the Ron connection, and currently has no connection to the new Director
 - b. Tamarack could be a possibility, but is busy on Saturdays with birthday parties
 - c. Need to think of a location
- Angela working with facilitator
 - a. Now getting close to flight season so we should do this in the fall
- Investigate the possibility of paying someone to do some of the work for MDS?

- a. Ami stated that this would be best to do after the planning work with the facilitator.
 - i. This was agreed to by all.

12.) Formal Reimbursement System/Form

- It has been argued, “If someone is taking money directly for an event, it is not an MDS supported event and if they are on the board it would need to be brought to the board just to stay transparent.”
 - a. If it is an MDS event the money paid needs to go to MDS and then mileage for person would need to be reimbursed to the person
 - b. Do not have a form at this time
 - c. One idea to discuss, if it is not a MDS event that we cannot state it as a MDS event and then the person could keep any money paid to them
- Previously the board had approved reimbursement for mileage, expenses, and time if asked for. (Any fees collected would go to MDS, reimbursement would be a separate thing.)
- Events Committee needs to review this and come up with some recommendations

13.) Next Board Meetings

- April 18, 2019
- May 23, 2019
- Tentatively start again in Sept or for sure October

14.) Adjournment

- Mike motioned to adjourn the meeting, John A seconded. Passed.
- Curt adjourned the meeting at 7:50.
- Minutes submitted by: Mike Moen
- Minutes approved by: