Minnesota Dragonfly Society Meeting Minutes

Sept 19, 2019

I. Introduction to the CRWD

CRWD staff, Anna Leria (sp?) talked about her background & the CRWD

II. Call to order

Curt Oien called to order the regular meeting of the Minnesota Dragonfly Society Board at 6:58 pm on September 19, 2019 at Capitol Region Watershed District in Saint Paul, MN.

III. Roll call

BOD Members:

Curt Oien

Briana Foster

Mike Moen

Cathy Perkins

John Arthur

Ami Thompson

Mitch Haag

Jacki Morrison

Katherine Dickerson

Leah Darst

Amy Jo Forslund

Jeff Fischer

Guests: Barry Mullin

IV. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Review of meeting minutes from Board Meeting held on 5/23/2019.

Motion to accept – John

Seconded - Jeff

Passed

V. Agenda Items

1) Committee reports

- Unsure if there were any audit volunteers
- Research
 - i. Currently using the new database- it has a few glitches (like unexpected errors) but otherwise seems to be working well. We're the guinea pigs for new software, Specify.
 - ii. Will hosting one more meeting & training before getting more people to help- Mitch volunteered to organize the training.
 - iii. Barry had some questions:
 - 1. Who's ultimately responsible for the collection? (Ralph & Robin @ UMN)

- 2. Who keeps track of who has what? (Barry- will hand out specimens in number groups)
- 3. Who do we get new specimens from? (Ralph & Robin?)
- 4. Do we have an estimate of the number of specimens we have that we're trying to put into the database? (~8,000 MOSP, ~
- 5. Do we include specimens not from MN? (Start with MN; UMN also has Specify)
- 6. How does he get access to Google Docs? (Done.)
- iv. We should update our species of interest list on the website

Communication

- i. Donations- how do we recognize donations & offer memorials? Jeff updated the website to allow specifications. Can add to newsletter; can allow them to say why they chose to donate.
- ii. Can add recognition to volunteers who put in a lot of hours
- iii. Leah will add the updated officers list to Google Docs

Outreach

- i. Monarch Fest went really well; lots of memberships & merch sold
- ii. Still two events left in September

2) Arne memorial kits

- Curt has them all ready to go.
- Ami will coordinate with Master Naturalists- goal is to award these to people who express interest in dragonflies. Will have to determine how to choose who the recipient is.

3) Annual meeting

- Needs to be confirmed, but CRWD may have offered to host our meetings.
- Need a lead volunteer to plan/coordinate- Bri, Leah, & Kat volunteered. There should be planning document

4) MDS future

- Need someone to organize the strategic planning meeting- Bri volunteered.
- Code of Ethics- could be led by the strategic planner?
- Waivers- currently only used for EcoFootprint; liability should be covered by the Board Insurance. Can discuss photo waivers etc. in the communications committee & strategic planning/code of ethics.

5) Additional points

- Jeff would like to propose a change to the bylaws- officer terms change from 2 years to 1 year. Will be voted on at the annual meeting
- Location for the next board meeting? CRWD

6) Next Board Meetings

- a. 3rd Thursday of month OK?
- b. September 19th 2019 at 6:30pm Location to be determined

7) Wrap-up and Additional Comments

8) Adjournment

- Jeff motioned to adjourn the meeting, John seconded. Passed.
- Curt adjourned the meeting at 7:34.
- Minutes submitted by: Leah Darst
- Minutes approved by: