



**8<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING Minutes  
for the Minnesota Dragonfly Society  
Jan. 29, 2022**

12:00 pm **Annual Gathering of MDS members** online due to COVID-19 pandemic; approximately 37 participants at this meeting

Board Members present: John Arthur, Leah Darst, Kat Dickerson, **Dave Doyle, Mitch Haag, Ron Lawrenz, Kurt Mead, Mike Moen, Barry Mullin, Curt Oien, Cathy (Perk) Perkins, Dianne Rowse, Emily Schilling, and Ami Thompson**

Board Members absent: **Terry Carr, Amy Jo Forslund**

**Welcome and business meeting**- Kat announced the two retiring Board members, Mitch Haag and Amy Jo Forslund, and she thanked them for their work. Curt moved to accept two new members on the BOD ballot: Monica Martinez and Tony DeRose. John seconded; motion approved.

Renewing Board members, whose terms just expired, include Leah, Mike, Perk, Dave, Barry, and Dianne. They are willing to serve another 2-year term, for 2022 and 2023.

Curt moved to approve the slate for Board of Directors; John seconded. Motion approved.

**Financial Report** (see Appendix A below minutes)

Perk provided the Financial Report for Jan. to Dec. 2021. Approved.

**Invitation to join Committees**- Kat invited all to participate.

1. Research Committee: Emily
2. Communications Committee: Monica- needs a volunteer to help with the newsletter and social media takeover
3. Outreach Committee: Leah- includes education and events

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**Speaker:**

1. Bill Mauffray- Odonate Collection at Florida State Collection of Arthropods (FSCA), in Gainesville, FL. It's one of the largest Odonate collections in the world, with about 800,000 specimens, and an extensive library of odonate literature. Bill manages the International Odonata Research Institute (IORI), headquartered at FSCA. The collection dates back to the 1880's. Volunteers needed to update specimen labels when species are split or names change. Donations welcome. To visit, please make an appointment with Bill at [iodonata@gmail.com](mailto:iodonata@gmail.com).

**Break:** with Dragonfly Art slideshow

**Announcement:** Jeff Fischer with the Wisconsin Dragonfly Society announced a nymph event at the end of April in Madison, and the annual meeting in July, maybe in Waukesha. See [WIDragonflySociety.org](http://WIDragonflySociety.org) for details.

**Speaker:**

2. Dr. Melissa Sanchez Herrera- "Following the Evolutionary Footsteps of a Colorful Damselfly"- She is the President of the Dragonfly Society of the Americas; works in Colombia. She worked with Polythoridae, the Neotropical banner-wing Damselflies; genus *Polythore* has about 16 species. She works on how the species are reproductively isolated. See her website at [www.polythore.com](http://www.polythore.com) to read her research articles.

**Break:** Charles Haberman observed Jewelwings with high-speed video. In flight, they dip a wing into the water to pivot.

-Trivia game tidbits: The Latin name for the Common Green Darner, *Anax junius*, translates to "Master of June". There are 8 species of odonates on the US Fish and Wildlife Service endangered species list, with several in Hawaii. This includes the Hine's Emerald in Wisconsin.

**Wrap-up:** Please renew your membership (see [mndragonfly.org](http://mndragonfly.org)) Also on the website, see the lovely MDS swag for sale- hats, shirts, etc.

**Video:** "Swooping for Odes in Minnesota in Winter", produced by John Arthur- This documented the winter outing of a small group of intrepid Board members to net odonate nymphs under the ice. And we found some!

3:00 pm- Meeting adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Dianne Rowse, Secretary of the BOD

**Appendix A:** see next page

**Appendix A:**

**January 2022 Treasurer Report by Cathy Perkins**

Date of report: Jan. 18, 2022

**Checking Statement**

Account balance: \$14,063.17

Available balance: \$14,063.17

Deposits: \$700 (\$500 membership + \$200 Scott King donation)

Pending transfers: \$0.00

Future transfers: \$0.00

**Central Bill Account Statement**

Total line of credit \$10,100.00

Available credit \$10,100.00

Statement balance due \$0.00 (Due 2/4/2022)

Credit Card Purchases \$0.00

**Donations to MDS in honor of Scott King current balance totals**

**\$2,900.00**