



Minnesota Dragonfly Society Board Meeting Agenda & Minutes

2-15-24

6:45-8:00pm (6:30 social time)

Zoom link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83220310735?pwd=aTUzc29xYSs5dmlnZHp4Z1JUdHRXdz09>

Gathering of members & guests

- **Current board members:** Leah Darst, Clinton Dexter-Nienhaus, Kat Dickerson, Dave Doyle, Jeff Fischer, Ron Lawrenz, Kurt Mead, Mike Moen, Cathy Perkins, Emily Schilling
 - Kurt M, Kat, and Ron absent
- **Quorum:** 5+ people
- **Attending board members:**
- **Attending guests:** Curt Oien
- **Called to order:** By Leah at 18:46

Previous meeting minutes

https://docs.google.com/document/d/151RLSYrWbHjSWG4d5wCNEILNI_exrHHcapkBtpFwoo8/edit

- **From board meeting held on:**
- **Approval:** Perk, Dave 2nd,

Treasurer & committee reports

- **Treasurer (Perk):** [Copy of Treasurer Report for February 2024](#)
 - Approval: Mike , Leah 2nd
- **Research (Emily, Ron, Kurt, Curt):**
 - Emily planning to meet with Ami in Autumn to share information
 - A\Emily to meet with Ron, Curt as U of Mn Friday, Feb 16
- **Communications (Perk, Leah, Sara?):**
 - Nothing
- **Outreach (Leah, Perk, Marti):**
 - See action for a few items

Other business

- Annual meeting review (leah)
 - survey:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1xC0N9CtnB2v-6xRCHmb5AMkyoGII00kpwoSEeawT7wI/edit#responses>
 - Emily volunteered to do the Odonate Research review portion of the next Annual Meeting.
- Executive Board voting
 - President
 - Leah willing to continue
 - Vice President

- Dave willing to continue
 - Secretary
 - Co-Secretaries: Mike and Jeff F
 - Treasurer
 - Cathy willing to continue
 - Dave moved to accept the New Board, Clinton seconded
 - Approved.
 - Board contact info & history (Leah)
 - <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KqzpQKNBugur3Vnr6tVEr-lAq3q7XY3L/edit#gid=1697611164>
 - Board update on website (Leah) <https://mndragonfly.org/html/board.html>
 - members & bios
 - zoom picture
 - board meeting minutes
 - BOD committee member confirmation & duties review (Leah)
 - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1bxzEtmlxEo8m18jwl27wgg2lc9RRX-Ab/edit>
 - bylaw review (Leah)
 - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1gx5wd1_aBrG1RxzMahX99MmcglEZBJqz/edit?usp=drive_sdk&oid=107681695438490809751&rtpof=true&sd=true
 - Revision suggestion document:
 - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1wgovc27vf5Jup_JjNyPY_-PnRSMwnbPA/edit
 - All BOD member should review and make suggested changes to this version.
 - Spring/summer training (Leah)
 - Kurt M has said that he would be interested in leading the Id training portion
 - Jeff said he would be willing to lead training too if Kurt is busy
 - Also could have a training session in northern Minnesota too if there is interest
 - Leah to reach out to look for locations in late April
 - Jeff and Emily traveling first two weeks of April
 - April 20 or 27 could work, or April 21
 - Heartly usually available in Duluth weekday evenings
 - Dianne get-together (Leah)
 - Dianne not available on Feb 18. Leah, Perk and Cat still meeting.
 - Date for March BOD meeting
 - Keep on 3rd Thursday, next March 21
 - Meeting adjourned by Leah at 20:12.
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- **Actionables from previous meetings:**

- Mike will ask Angela Grill for MDS items: computer drive. Curt Oien said there are historical docs in boxes he gave to Perk. Mike plans to document what MDS has. Curt Oien said there may be some historical stuff/ data sheets at U of M Insect Collection. MDS should collect that. Talk to Barry Mullin.
 - Mike is meeting Perk on Feb 23 afternoon to look at all materials
- Emily will email us with more information about an August date at Itasca.
- Need board members to email Perk a list of MDS items in their possession
 - Leah, Emily, & Curt?
- Mike will ask Angela Grill if she has any MDS items.
- Leah & Mike plan to sort through old MDS files and organize.
- Curt- Discuss with Barry what to do to make database entry easier; see Wisconsin DNR as model.
- ~~● Emily needs to update her bio. Ron has put together his bio. These need to be added to the MDS website.~~
- Question of hiring someone to be lead on requested programs (coordinator) and offer MDS programs/ trainings; grant money available
- Promotion idea: ¼ page handout to recruit new members at workshops, or a postcard format or business card (print 6 to a page)
- improve website Google contact form so it automatically emails Leah when there is a new sign-up
- Google form for event data: who, how many, hours volunteered, type of event
- Scott King project update? (Reach out to Ami)

Adjournment

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To-do list (actionables)

- Add Clinton and Mike to leads of Northern MN (Leah)
- Add any missing information to the [BOD contacts & history spreadsheet](#) (all)
- add comments and revisions to the bylaws on [this document](#) by clicking on the pencil icon near the top right corner of the window and clicking on 'suggesting'. (all)
- Take MDS membership data and sort by members locations (?)
- Ping absent BOD members for updated Bio's for Web site (Leah)
- Jeff to help find a method to add all BOD meeting minutes to web site
- Emily has reserved a 3 bedroom cabin at Itasca in August 9 -11
 - Need to decide if we want to meet there at March BOD meeting.