

Minutes of the Conference Call Of the Board of Directors Of The Gypsy Moth Slow the Spread Foundation, Inc.

> June 7, 2006 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. EDT

Proper notice having been duly given to each Board member, a conference call of the Board of Directors was held on the above date.

President Geir Friisoe called the meeting to order and Secretary Frank Fulgham called the roll.

### **BOARD MEMBERS**

Geir Friisoe, Minnesota, President	present
Gene Cross, North Carolina, Vice-President/Treasurer	present
Frank Fulgham, Virginia, Secretary	present
Scott Frank, Illinois	present
Bob Waltz, Indiana	present
Mike Philip, Michigan	absent
Gary Gibson, West Virginia	present
Melody Walker, Wisconsin	absent

### **OTHERS PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETING**

John Walkowiak, Iowa Carl Harper, Kentucky David Adkins, Ohio Ed Holloman, Southeastern Association Services Donna Leonard and Patrick Tobin, USDA Forest Service

Whereas, the above noted directors constitute a quorum, and there is no objection to this proceeding, the following business was conducted:

## **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Consideration of the minutes of the Gypsy Moth Slow the Spread (STS) Foundation Board of Directors' Conference Call held on May 3, 2006 was postponed until the next scheduled conference call.

### STATUS UPDATES OF GRANT AGREEMENTS

Ed Holloman discussed the current Grant Reporting Schedule and Donna Leonard discussed pending grant awards and expenditures.

### 2006 Forest Service Trapping & Treatment Grant

The total award for the 2006 Forest Service T & T grant is \$6,884,331 with \$4,605,084 going to the state participants leaving \$2,279,247 for Foundation expenditures.





Ed reported that the following paperwork is needed from the following states:

- 10/01/05-03/31/06 Quarterly 2006 FSR are past due from KY, IN, MN, NC & Apostle Is.
- Return of 2006 Award Letter is needed from IA, IN, WI & Apostle Is.

## 2005 Forest Service Trapping & Treatment Grant

The following quarterly Financial Status Reports (FSR) and Narrative Summary Reports (NSR) are needed from the following states:

- 10/01/05-03/31/06 Quarterly 2005 FSR are past due from KY, MN, & NC.
- Deobligations based on final FSR are due on June 15, 2006.
- Final FSR and NSR are due from all states on July 15, 2006.

## 2006 APHIS Regulatory Grant

Donna reported that MN, NC and VA have not made any draw-downs in funds to date. States must draw down funds to \$0 by the end of September.

The following quarterly Financial Status Reports (FSR) and Narrative Summary Reports (NSR) are needed from the following states:

- 10/01/05-03/31/06 Quarterly FSR are past due from MN & NC.
- 10/01/05-03/31/06 Quarterly NSR are past due from NC.

# **UPDATE ON 2007 FOREST SERVICE WORKSHOP**

Donna reported that the Forest Service Workshop for Cooperators that was scheduled for September 2006 in Michigan has been postponed until 2007 due to the last minute availability of funding. Noel has requested that the 2006 STS grant be revised to include the current \$30,000 budgeted by FS for this training. This will allow the funding to be carried over into 2007.

## STATUS UPDATE OF 2007 FOREST SERVICE FUNDING

Geir reported that there was a positive report coming out of the House but a hard earmark for STS is still lacking. National Plant Board states (MT, WI, NC & WV) deserve special thanks for their contacts with key congressional delegations. Also, Gene noted that NC Forestry has been active in supporting STS. Although the Forest Service budget is more positive, STS may still be looking at 2007 funding at no more than \$8 million.

# MISELLANEOUS

## Forest Service Purchases

Donna brought the Board up to date on the efficacy problems that have been identified with some disparlure. It appears that the storage facility at Mission, Texas, has suffered from poor inventory

control. Some disparlure dated 2002 was shipped out this year and subsequently tested to contain no active lure. States should pull all product dated 2002 or earlier and submit it to Otis for testing. Check with Rick Garrison for more lure if needed. Be sure to check other lures for other programs since Mission stores all traps and lures for all USDA programs.

### Economic Assessment Update

Patrick reported that he has located a potential applicant for the Economic Assessment Grant. The applicant is Dr. Lars Olsen with the University of Maryland. If this applicant is not successful in receiving the grant, there may be 3 other potential contacts at NC State. The \$50,000 has been set aside for this grant through the Forest Service NE Region Office.

## 2006 STS CONFERENCE CALL & MEETING SCHEDULE

Conference Calls scheduled for 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. Call-in number for all Conference Calls: 404-347-7966

JAN 4	Conference Call	Cancelled
JAN 23-27	OP/REG Mtg	Held in Savannah, GA
<b>FEB 16</b>	STS Annual Mtg	Held in Indianapolis, IN
MAR 1	Conference Call	Held at 10:00 a.m. EST
APR 5	Conference Call	Cancelled
MAY 3	Conference Call	Held at 10:00 a.m. EDT
JUN 7	Conference Call	Held at 10:00 a.m. EDT
JUL 5	Conference Call	Scheduled for 10:00 a.m. EDT
AUG 2	Conference Call	Scheduled for 10:00 a.m. EDT
SEP 6	Conference Call	Scheduled for 10:00 a.m. EDT
OCT 4	Conference Call	Scheduled for 10:00 a.m. EDT
NOV 1	Conference Call	Scheduled for 10:00 a.m. EST
DEC 6	Conference Call	Scheduled for 10:00 a.m. EST

The foregoing motions and actions, by unanimous consent, are to have full force and effect as of June 7, 2006, unless otherwise indicated by the Board.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

Frank Fulgham, Secretary STS Foundation