



**Minutes of the Board of Directors of
The Gypsy Moth Slow the Spread Foundation, Inc.**

**August 4, 2010
9:00 CDT – 11:00 CDT
10:00 EDT – 12:00 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 Melody Walker called the roll.

BOARD MEMBERS

Geir Friisoe, Minnesota, President	absent
Gene Cross, North Carolina, Vice-President/Treasurer	present
Melody Walker, Wisconsin, Secretary	present
Scott Frank, Illinois	present
Phil Marshall, Indiana	present
Tivon Feeley, Iowa	absent
Carl Harper, Kentucky	present
Larry Nichols, Virginia	present
Gary Gibson, West Virginia	present

OTHERS PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETING

Lucy Hunt, Minnesota
Ed Holloman, Southeastern Association Services
Brenda Libby, USDA APHIS Eastern Region
Amy Onken, Donna Leonard, Patrick Tobin, and Noel Schneeberger
USDA Forest Service
Clark Haynes, West Virginia

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

A motion was made by Phil Marshall and seconded by Carl Harper to accept the minutes of May 5, 2010 with a few noted corrections. The motion passed and the minutes, ratified by unanimous vote, shall be filed in the Minute Book.



STATUS UPDATES OF GRANT AGREEMENTS

2010 APHIS Regulatory Grant

Ed Holloman discussed the current grant reporting schedule and pending grant award balances. Ed indicated as of 08/04/10 a total of \$96,444.93 has been disbursed with an additional \$39,033.74 pending distribution. This leaves a balance of \$170,174.72 in grant funds available out of the total grant award of \$278,625.00 for funding to states.

- ***ACTION:*** Report any funds that will be deobligated as soon as possible.

2009 Forest Service Trapping and Treatment Grant and 2009 Foundation Expenditures

Ed indicated the trapping and treatment grant is coming to a close. As of 08/04/10 there was an available balance of \$68,148.37. Virginia has deobligated \$58,109.28.

One FSR is needed from Minnesota.

2010 Forest Service Trapping and Treatment Grant

The total award was \$7,489,768.00. As of 08/04/10, a total of \$814,297.83 was disbursed to the states. The total Foundation expenses to date are \$1,712,089.05. This leaves a balance of \$4,963,381.12.

All state reports are current.

Status of FY 2011 Appropriations

Gene reported markups would occur soon, according to Rob Manwell. Rob suggested Gene contact Rachel Taylor for information. Noel advised everyone markups usually occur in the spring and we could expect a continuing resolution is likely.

Timelines and Amounts of 2011 APHIS Grant

Joe Beckwith thought we could expect to be funded at the same level as the previous year. Additionally, there is some potential for an increase in funding. Gene said we will get the preliminary budget and then prioritize allocations to the states.

- ***ACTION:*** All states submit the regulatory narrative workplan and budget for funding consideration by 08/13/10.

Donna said we will know if we need to reallocate by the next conference call. She also mentioned that Ohio and Indiana get APHIS funds transferred directly to APHIS. Phil and Dave agreed to ask their respective SPHDS for their workplans.

Discussion on NPDES Permits

There is no new information on this topic however there was general agreement that one permit per state for the statewide spray project was desirable. Donna also hoped for one FS permit. Further, the April timeframe for the start of the program is impossible. The comment period ended July 19 and the permit details will come out in September. Donna said Steve Covell would address gypsy moth program managers at the summer manager's meeting. He is on the NPDES working group. Larry Nichols said that when the deadline arrives you will get a permit if you applied for one. Lucy Hunt, MN, said the Boundary waters cannot be sprayed anyway because they are tier 3 waters. Gary Gibson said WV has a lot of tier 3 waters and they are more concerned about their black fly program. Phil said he would email copies of the EPA permit out to everyone.

Miscellaneous and Adjourn

Indirect Policy

Donna said she would get a draft out to the states for review. This would become Foundation policy and it would affect the STS grant and the regulatory grant. It would be clarified as to whether it impacted a part of the grant or the entire grant.

Frank Fulgham

Larry had a message from Frank thank the Board. He liked his clock and his letter.

Future Meetings

The next conference call is scheduled for September 1, 2010 at 9:00 AM CDT/10:00 AM EDT.

Meeting Adjourned

A motion to adjourn was made by Carl Harper and seconded by Phil Marshall.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:28 AM CDT/11:28 AM EDT.

2010 STS Conference Call and Meeting Schedule

Conference calls are scheduled for the 1st Wednesday of each month at 9:00 CT/10:00 ET unless otherwise scheduled by the Board President. The call in number for the STS monthly conference calls in 2010 has changed to **404-347-7966**.

January 6	Conference Call	Cancelled
February 3	Conference Call	Cancelled
February 17	STS Annual Mtg	Held in Indianapolis, IN

March 3	Conference Call	Cancelled
April 7	Conference Call	Held
May 5	Conference Call	Held
June 2	Conference Call	Cancelled
July 7	Conference Call	Cancelled
August 4	Conference Call	Held
September 1	Conference Call	
October 6	Conference Call	
November 3	Conference Call	
December 1	Conference Call	

The foregoing motions and actions, by unanimous consent are to have full force and effect as of August 4, 2010, unless otherwise indicated by the Board.

Melody Walker, Secretary
 STS Foundation