



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

**April 21, 2011  
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 the roll was called.

**BOARD MEMBERS**

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

**OTHERS PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETING**

Dave Adkins, Ohio  
Lucy Hunt, Minnesota  
Matt Andreason, North Carolina  
Jamie Tukiendorf, Chris Lettau, Wisconsin  
Butch Sayers, Sherry Hutchinson, West Virginia  
Ed Holloman, Southeastern Association Services  
Julie Spaulding, USDA APHIS Eastern Region  
Donna Leonard, Amy Hill, Noel Schneeberger, John Kyhl, 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**

Carl Harper (KY) made a motion to approve the minutes of March 16, 2011 as written and to approve the April 6, 2011 minutes with a few spelling and spacing changes. Phil Marshall (IN) seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.



## **Update on Funding**

The good news is that we do have a budget. Unfortunately, the funds may not get to the field until the end of May. With the current available funds (\$858K) we can pay for the following treatments:

IL - \$88,000 for Btk treatments

MN - \$23,892 for Btk treatments

WI - \$110,969 for application services (\$110,969 + \$285K state match for Al's application services) + \$16,645 indirect = \$127,614 total to WI DATCP

Foundation - \$618,494 to pay Al's for part of the Btk/Gypchek carrier.

This leaves a shortage of \$400,000. We can expect Valent and Al's Aerial Spraying Service to need assurance of funding by May 1. Donna will check with the Forest Service NA to see if \$400,000 could be released early. Donna will email Board members to let them know the outcome.

## **Miscellaneous**

### **NPDES Letter**

The proposal to have a legislative "fix" passed in the House. However the MN representatives voted against the fix which emphasizes why all states should contact the Senate. Geir has drafted a letter saying that we concur with a letter sent by NASF, NASDA, PC Officials and Pollution Control officials. The STS Board members agree that the Board should proceed with the letter. Geir will polish and circulate the draft letter.

### **Logo**

Logo 2 received 21 votes and logo 4 received 13 votes. The logo should be versatile enough to work well both on the website and briefing papers. Gene Cross (NC) made a motion to approve logo 2. WV seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. Donna will have Amos work with the logo to adapt to the web and paper formats.

### **Regulatory Committee**

Sherry said that regulatory conference call would be on May 10. The committee will be working on the reporting structure. The STS database has STS data and state data collected with APHIS funding. Donna will work with Andy and Julie with APHIS/IPHIS data.

### **424's**

The 424's may be submitted if no changes need to be made. Then the Foundation can send out award letters. The numbers should match with the budget Donna sent out. Scott said IL amount should read \$137,434 rather than \$110,000.

### **Future Meetings**

The next conference call is scheduled for May 4, 2011 at 9:00 AM CDT/10:00 AM EDT.

### **Meeting Adjourned**

A motion was made by Carl Harper (KY) to adjourn the meeting and seconded by (WV). The motion received unanimous approval and the meeting was adjourned.

### **2011 STS Conference Call and Meeting Schedule**

Conference calls are scheduled for the 1<sup>st</sup> 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 2011 is **404-347-7966**.

<b>January 5</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	<b>Held</b>
<b>February 2</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	<b>Cancelled</b>
<b>February 16</b>	<b>STS Annual Mtg</b>	<b>Held</b>
<b>March 2</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	<b>Held March 16</b>
<b>April 6</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	<b>Held</b>
<b>May 4</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	
<b>June 1</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	
<b>July 6</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	
<b>August 3</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	
<b>September 7</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	
<b>October 5</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	
<b>November 2</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	
<b>December 7</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	

The foregoing motions and actions, by unanimous consent are to have full force and effect as of April 21, 2011, unless otherwise indicated by the Board.

Melody Walker, Secretary  
STS Foundation

### **Board Action After the Conference Call**

The STS Board of Directors including NC, WV, IA, IN, KY, IL, WI and MN voted to approve the Illinois contract and employees recommended by Illinois. Eight of the nine member states voted, therefore, this contract proposal is approved.

The Illinois Department of Agriculture is proposing that the Gypsy Moth Slow-the-Spread Foundation contract directly with the Illinois trappers to perform the trapping duties in 2011. This same procedure was implemented in 2008, 2009, and 2010 with great success. Ten trappers are needed to set traps in the 10 designated trapping areas of northern Illinois. Of the ten trappers, eight individuals are repeat performers from previous seasons and two are new

candidates. The trappers will be paid on an hourly basis and will be reimbursed for travel on a per-mile basis. The Department will oversee the trappers, compile the time and travel reports, and submit payment requests to the Foundation for each trapper. The Foundation will issue checks to each trapper based upon the Department's documentation. The trappers will not be employees of the Foundation, but will work on a contractual basis. The trappers will be responsible for the payment of any payroll taxes, etc. The trappers will be responsible for setting traps, recording information, checking traps, recovering traps, and counting moths.

Attached is a copy of the announcement for the trapping positions. This opportunity was advertised with the following entities in the areas where the trapping will occur: Extension offices, community colleges, junior colleges, Illinois Department of Natural Resources area offices, county forest preserves, employment agencies, and on the internet. Instructors of agriculture and horticulture programs at the above-mentioned colleges were made aware of the opportunities.

I am asking for concurrence by the Board for the Foundation to contract with the following individuals to conduct gypsy moth trapping in Illinois:

Territory #1	Mike Malon	Hanover, IL
Territory #2	Kelly Osterberg	Roscoe, IL
Territory #3	Linda Leveille	Belvidere, IL
Territory #4	Tim Whitford	Byron, IL
Territory #5	Mark Jones	Sycamore, IL
Territory #6	Susan Linnell	Elmhurst, IL
Territory #7	Jennifer Allen	Princeton, IL
Territory #8	Zina Sager	Magnolia, IL
Territory #9	Julie Kastel	Wilmington, IL
Territory #10	Linda Massey	Herscher, IL