

Gypsy Moth Slow The Spread Foundation, Inc.

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

May 4, 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	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	present
Carl Harper, Kentucky	present
Larry Nichols, Virginia	present
Sherry Hutchinson, West Virginia	present

OTHERS PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETING

Dave Adkins, Ohio
Lucy Hunt, Minnesota
Jamie Tukiendorf, Wisconsin
Butch Sayers, Sherry Hutchinson, Celestine Ervin, West Virginia
Ed Holloman, Southeastern Association Services
Julie Spaulding, USDA APHIS Eastern Region
Donna Leonard, Patrick Tobin, Noel Schneeberger, John Kyhl, USDA Forest Service

Minnesota Geir Friisoe – President 651-297-7174		North Carolina Gene Cross – Vice President/Treasurer 919-733-6930		Wisconsin Melody Walker – Secretary 608-224-4586	
West Virginia Sherrie Hutchinson 304-558-2212	Illinois Scott Frank 217-785-2427	Indiana Phil Marshall 812-358-3621	Iowa Tivon Feeley 515-242-5966	Virginia Larry Nichols 804-786-3515	Kentucky Carl Harper 859-257-5838

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

No minutes were submitted.

STATUS UPDATES OF GRANT AGREEMENTS

2011 APHIS Regulatory Grant

The total grant award is \$281,429.00. The amount disbursed as of May 4, 2011 was \$63,269.20 with \$33,147.63 pending. The remaining balance is \$185,012.17. IL, MN and WV still have FSR's to submit. And MN still needs to submit their narrative report.

2010 Forest Service Trapping and Treatment Grant

Ed indicated the total grant award was \$7,489,768. As of May 4, 2011, a total of \$3,645,663.33 has been disbursed leaving a balance of \$514,767,81. Given the current budget situation, Donna recommended all states keep 2010 funds that they may have planned to de-obligate.

Final Budget for FY 2011

Donna said that the final budget allocation for FY 2011 is \$10.5 million. The Northeast Area had \$400,000 that Gene and Ed were able to collect by completing and submitting the paperwork quickly. The treatment applications will be covered out of the 2010 grant. Letters are ready to go to Al's Aerial Service. States can submit 424's. We should have award letters by the end of May if Na receives program direction by mid-May. More matching funds (\$250,000) are needed from the states for the 2011 grant.

- **ACTION** : States should let Donna know if they can increase their match for the 2011 STS grant (Due by Friday, May 6).

Cost Share

The reported cost share is short in the 2010 budget. Gene would like to know if states can increase their cost share.

- **ACTION**: States should email Gene if they can increase their match on the 2010 STS grant (Due by Friday, May 6).

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Miscellaneous

NPDES

Geir would like comments on the letter he has drafted to send to the Senate on behalf of the Foundation.

- **ACTION:** States should send track changes or comments on the NPDES letter to Geir (Due by Friday, May 6).

APHIS Representation

Julie Spalding will be out from June through mid-September. Paul Chaloux will replace Julie until she returns.

Mating disruption

Acres will be increased by 10%. Donna will work with Pontiac Flying Service and John Kyhl will work with Al's Aerial Spraying. Patrick said we are 12 – 15 days behind schedule on development.

Future Meetings

The next conference call is scheduled for June 1, 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 Phil Marshall (IN). The motion received unanimous approval and the meeting was adjourned.

2011 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 2011 is **404-347-7966**.

January 5	Conference Call	Held
February 2	Conference Call	Cancelled
February 16	STS Annual Mtg	Held
March 2	Conference Call	Held March 16
April 6	Conference Call	Held
May 4	Conference Call	
June 1	Conference Call	
July 6	Conference Call	
August 3	Conference Call	

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September 7	Conference Call
October 5	Conference Call
November 2	Conference Call
December 7	Conference Call

The foregoing motions and actions, by unanimous consent are to have full force and effect as of May 4, 2011, unless otherwise indicated by the Board.

Melody Walker, Secretary
STS Foundation