



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

February 6, 2013
9:00 CT – 11:00 CT
10:00 ET – 12:00 ET

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

The meeting was called to order and the roll was taken.

BOARD MEMBERS

Larry Nichols, Virginia, President	present
Phil Wilson, 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
Lucia Hunt, Minnesota	absent
Sherrie Hutchinson, West Virginia	present

OTHERS PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETING

Dave Adkins, Ohio
Butch Sayers, Celestine Ervin, West Virginia
Jamie Tukiendorf, Wisconsin
Nancy Williams, Illinois
Ed Holloman, Southeastern Association Services
Julie Spaulding, USDA APHIS PPQ

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Donna Leonard, Amy Hill, Noel Schneeberger, Dennis Haugen, 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 accept the December 5, 2012 minutes with recommended edits. Phil Marshall (IN) seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

STATUS UPDATES OF GRANT AGREEMENTS

2012 APHIS Regulatory Grant

Ed indicated this grant is finished with a balance remaining of \$13.54 for MN that will be returned to APHIS for their use.

2012 Forest Service Trapping and Treatment Grant Status and Potential Awards to States

Ed indicated the balance will be very close once all obligations are met. This is partially due to the \$1,474,200 spent on racemic disparture over the planned expenditure of \$1,322,685. This additional expenditure with normal operating expenses will bring the balance down considerably. Normally, we have \$100,000 to several hundred thousand dollars remaining until the new grant is awarded.

Ed still needs the annual FSR from IL. He has just received the FSR from NC. All performance reports are current.

Eradication Projects funded by FS via STS Foundation

Ed indicated NC has a balance of \$16,598.73. Ed will need an FSR from NC and a Final performance report from TN and OH. The end date for this grant was 12/31/12.

FS Budget Scenarios for 2013

Donna sent out the STS Draft Plan of Work, which contained the following three budget scenarios and the details for each budget developed for 2013:

- 1) Allocation of \$7,875,000 from FS
- 2) CR is extended for remaining of the year – allocation of \$7 to \$7.5 million with potential for additional cuts

3) Allocation of \$5 million or less if sequestration goes into effect

The trapping contract and Btk contracts in NC have the most immediate need for funds. The overall cost for these activities is about \$160,000 to \$170,000. Donna has requested that the Washington Office release funds early to cover costs. The Northeastern Area may be able to release some carryover funds. Donna has requested \$200,000 and is waiting to hear if we will receive these funds. All other state spray contracts are on hold. We will likely not know until April if we can go ahead with spray contracts.

Annual Meeting

The annual face-to-face STS Foundation Board meeting will be at the North Carolina Department of Agriculture Building in Raleigh, NC, with rooms reserved for lodging at the Double Tree. NC Dept. of Agriculture will provide transportation from the hotel to the meeting.

The meeting will be on Wednesday, February 20 (8am-3:30pm). The draft agenda is out for those who need out-of-state travel approval. We will plan to meet the previous evening to give a proper farewell to Gene.

MISCELLANEOUS

Future Meetings

The next conference call will be on Wednesday, February 20, 2013.

Meeting Adjourned

Carl Harper (KY) made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which Phil Marshall (IN) seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

2012 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 2013 is **1-888-858-2144** and the passcode is **4050800**.

January 3	Conference Call	Cancelled
February 6	Conference Call	Held
February 20	STS Annual Mtg	
March 6	Conference Call	
April 3	Conference Call	
May 1	Conference Call	
June 5	Conference Call	
July 3	Conference Call	
August 7	Conference Call	
September 4	Conference Call	
October 2	Conference Call	

November 6
December 4

Conference Call
Conference Call

The foregoing motions and actions, by unanimous consent are to have full force and effect as of February 6, 2013, unless otherwise indicated by the Board.

Melody Walker, Secretary