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

April 3, 2013 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.

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

BOARD MEMBERS

present
present
present
present
present
absent
present
present
present

OTHERS PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETING

Dave Adkins, Ohio Celestine Ervin, West Virginia Nancy Williams, Scott Schirmer, Mark Cinnamon, Illinois Jamie Tukiendorf, Wisconsin Ed Holloman, Southeastern Association Services Julie Spaulding, Anthony, Man-Son-Hing USDA, APHIS PPQ Patrick Tobin, Noel Schneeberger, John Kyhl, Dennis Haugen, USDA Forest Service

North Carolina

VirginiaNorth CarolinaWisconsinLarry Nichols - PresidentPhil Wilson - Vice President/Treasurer
919-707-3753Melody Walker - Secretary
608-224-4586IllinoisIndianaIowaKentuckyMinnesotaWest Virginia
Sherrie HutchinsonScott FrankPhil MarshallTivon FeeleyCarl HarperLucia HuntSherrie Hutchinson
312-258-3621217-785-2427812-358-3621515-281-4915859-257-5838651-201-6329304-558-2212 Wisconsin

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 February 20, 2013 minutes with edits. Scott Frank (IL) seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

STATUS UPDATES OF GRANT AGREEMENTS

2012 Forest Service Trapping and Treatment Grant

Ed indicated the 2012 grant has a balance of \$2,303,336.43. Included in this balance is an additional award of \$200,000. A total of \$645,692.04 is the remaining balance available to the states. This amount includes an additional \$75,686 awarded to NC to get spring projects started. June 15 is the final date to deobligate funds for states that cannot use their full allotments. Ed would be happy to receive the deobligated funds before June 15. All reports are current.

Forest Service Eradication

OH and TN have expended all funds and submitted final FSR's and performance reports. NC has a balance available of \$13,594. The NC agreement ends March 31 with reports due by mid-May.

<u>FS – News on Budget, Impact on Plans</u>

See Board Action after the Conference Call at the end of this document.

<u>APHIS – Potential \$90K</u>

Julie Spaulding provided the APHIS update. A target amount of \$90,000 was set for regulatory activities. This amount was determined by cutting last year's budget in half and then considered number of months remaining in the grant cycle. Julie is still waiting for the allocation for appropriated funds, therefore she does not know at this time how much funding will be available. She hopes to have STS regulatory budgets by early May. Julie indicated more detection money would be coming, but how much or when is unknown.

MISCELLANEOUS

New Address for Foundation

Ed provided the new address for the administrative offices of the Gypsy Moth Slow the Spread Foundation: 284 W. Millbrook Rd., Ste. A, Raleigh, N.C. 27609. The new phone number is 919-782-3058, and the fax number is 919-882-8533. The post office box number remains the same.

Future Meetings

The next conference call will be on Wednesday, May 1, 2013.

Meeting Adjourned

Carl Harper (KY) made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Phil Wilson (NC) seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

2013 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 **6583639**.

January 3	Conference Call	Cancelled
February 6	Conference Call	Held
February 20	STS Annual MT	Held
March 6	Conference Call	Cancelled
April 3	Conference Call	Held
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	Conference Call	
December 4	Conference Call	

The foregoing motions and actions, by unanimous consent are to have full force and effect as of April 3, 2013, unless otherwise indicated by the Board.

Melody Walker, Secretary

Board Action After the Conference Call

Donna provided the following information in an email dated April 16.

The allocation for STS in FY 2013 will be \$7.5 million plus the \$125,000 for technology development. This is \$250,000 less than the budget presented at the Board meeting in February. Donna proposed continuing with planned trapping and treatment activities and taking \$250,000 from the planned purchase of racemic disparlure. She attached a revised STS program budget summary reflecting the recommended budget changes and new balance of \$7,625,000.

Board approval of the proposal would allow each state to move forward to secure contracts for application or trapping services, and to hire personnel to carry out the plan of work for 2013. The Foundation may apply for its grant on or about May 1. States may submit requests for 2013 funding now; however, the Foundation may not approve the requests before late-May. If states have made any budgetary changes, please submit a revised budget to Donna so she can update the program budget.

All Board members had voted by email (April 16 & 17) to approve the budget plan.