



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.**

October 29, 2014

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.

Phil Wilson called the meeting 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	present
Carl Harper, Kentucky	absent
Kimberly Thielen Cremers, Minnesota	present
Eric Ewing, West Virginia	present

OTHERS PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETING

Dave Adkins, Ohio
Chris Elder, North Carolina
Tim Brown, Butch Sayers, West Virginia
Jamie Tukiendorf, Wisconsin
Ed Holloman, Southeastern Association Services
Anthony Man-Son-Hing, USDA APHIS
Donna Leonard, Noel Schneeberger, John Kyhl, USDA Forest Service

Whereas, the above noted directors constitute a quorum, and there is no objection to this

Virginia		North Carolina		Wisconsin	
Larry Nichols - President		Phil Wilson – Vice President/Treasurer		Melody Walker - Secretary	
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proceeding, the following business was conducted:

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The STS Board meeting minutes from September 9, 2014 were approved by email.

STATUS UPDATES OF GRANT AGREEMENTS

2013 APHIS Regulatory Grant

Ed reported this grant has been closed out with no outstanding reports. A total of \$7063.64 was deobligated.

2014 APHIS Regulatory Grant

Ed reported a balance of \$91,100.85 as of October 28, 2014 after one disbursement of \$6864.15 by VA.

➤ **Action:** 2014 Regulatory Grant state reports due:

01/15/2015 – FSR (05/24/14 – 12/31/14) All States

01/15/2015 – Performance Report (05/24/14 – 12/31/14) All States

2013 Forest Service Trapping and Treatment Grant

Ed reported all funds have been drawn down to zero. All state reports have been submitted. Ed has submitted the final narrative.

2014 Forest Service Trapping and Treatment Grant

Ed reported the grant balance of \$4,990,233.23 as of October 28, 2014. No reports are due at this time. Donna mentioned that this grant has \$350,000 to \$400,000 available if needed in the event the 2015 funds arrive late. She also said that the University of Washington will appear on the grant as Patrick Tobin has applied for \$45,000.

➤ **Action:** 2014 Forest Service Trapping and Treatment Grant state reports due:

06/15/2015 – 424 Deobligation All Participating States

08/15/2015 – Final FSR All States

08/15/2015 – Final Performance Report All States

Updates for 2015 Funding and Planning

Donna said that the Foundation can expect about \$8 million from the Forest Service in 2015. Extra funds from last year were used to buy additional racemic disparlure, which will bring our inventory to about 6,600 kg to start the 2015 season (about enough for 1.75 years of MD treatments).

Planning for the 2015 season begins with negative spread rates across the STS states and plenty of hotspots to treat. Meetings have occurred in 7 of the 10 states; IL, WI and MN have yet to meet. Initial plans include roughly 370,000 polygon acres of treatment (about 310,000 treatment acres) so far. Once IL, WI and MN are included we will probably have about 500,000 acres of treatment proposed and we need to cut back to about 425,000 acres to line up with the budget.

MISCELLANEOUS

Annual Board Meeting

The annual meeting will be on Wednesday, February 18, 2015 in Raleigh, NC. Lodging will be at the Holiday Inn downtown close to the meeting site at the North Carolina Department of Agriculture Building.

Future Meetings

The December conference call is cancelled with the next conference call scheduled for January 7, 2015.

Meeting Adjourned

Phil Marshall (IN) moved to adjourn the meeting. Phil Wilson (NC) seconded the motion and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned.

2014 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 2014 is **888-844-9904 with access code 658 3639**.

January 1	Conference Call	Cancelled
February 5	Conference Call	Held
February 19	STS Annual MT	Held
March 5	Conference Call	Cancelled
March 20	Conference Call	Held
April 2	Conference Call	Cancelled
May 7	Conference Call	Cancelled
June 4	Conference Call	Cancelled
July 2	Conference Call	Held
August 6	Conference Call	Cancelled
September 3	Conference Call	Held
October 1	Conference Call	Cancelled
October 29	Conference Call	Held
November 5	Conference Call	Cancelled
December 3	Conference Call	Cancelled

The foregoing motions and actions, by unanimous consent are to have full force and effect as of October 29, 2014, unless otherwise indicated by the Board.

Melody Walker, Secretary