



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.**

**January 7, 2015**  
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	absent
Carl Harper, Kentucky	present
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  
Scott Schirmer, Illinois  
Ed Holloman, Southeastern Association Services  
Anthony Man-Son-Hing, Paul Chaloux, USDA APHIS  
Donna Leonard, Amy Hill, John Kyhl, Noel Schneeberger, USDA Forest Service

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**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**

Scott Frank (IL) made a motion, seconded by Kimberly Thielen Cremers (MN), to approve the October 29, 2014 meeting minutes as edited. The motion carried.

### **STATUS UPDATES OF GRANT AGREEMENTS**

#### **2014 APHIS Regulatory Grant**

Ed reported a balance of \$90,661.85 as of January 6, 2015 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

#### **2014 Forest Service Trapping and Treatment Grant**

Ed reported the grant balance of \$2,142,775.46 as of January 6, 2015. 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:

02/15/2015 – FSR (01/01/14 – 12/31/14) All States

02/15/2015 – Interim Performance Report (01/01/14 – 12/31/14) All States

#### **Updates for 2015 Funding and Planning**

Donna said that the Foundation can expect about \$8 million from the Forest Service in 2015. Currently we have about 530,000 acres of treatment planned and we are about \$1.1 million over budget. Rough cuts are being made now and final adjustments will be made at the Operations meeting. The funding outlook is good overall.

#### **APHIS Budget Updates**

Anthony recommended each state should submit a work plan. Donna encouraged states to bring their plans to the STS Board Meeting. States should submit work plans to Ed by February 10. Paul Chaloux expects \$100,000 to be available for the states.

## 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 next conference call scheduled for February 4, 2015.

### **Meeting Adjourned**

Carl Harper (KY) moved to adjourn the meeting. Eric Ewing(WV) seconded the motion and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned.

### **2015 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 2015 is **888-844-9904 with access code 658 3639**.

<b>January 7</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	<b>Held</b>
<b>February 4</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	<b>Cancelled</b>
<b>February 18</b>	<b>STS Annual MT</b>	
<b>March 4</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	
<b>April 1</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	
<b>May 6</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	
<b>June 3</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	
<b>July 1</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	
<b>August 5</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	
<b>September 2</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	
<b>October 7</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	
<b>October 29</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	
<b>November 4</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	
<b>December 2</b>	<b>Conference Call</b>	

The foregoing motions and actions, by unanimous consent are to have full force and effect as of January 7, 2015, unless otherwise indicated by the Board.

Melody Walker, Secretary