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

April 1, 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.

Larry Nichols 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 Nancy Johnson, Illinois Scott Kinzie, Indiana Ed Holloman, Southeastern Association Services Paul Chaloux, USDA APHIS Donna Leonard, 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

Carl Harper (KY) made a motion, seconded by Phil Marshall (IN), to approve the March 11, 2015 meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried.

STATUS UPDATES OF GRANT AGREEMENTS

2014 APHIS Regulatory Grant

Ed Holloman reported a balance of \$24,674.59 as of March 31, 2015. This includes disbursements of \$6864.15 (VA) and \$16,879 (WI). In addition, Illinois has submitted a reimbursement of \$24,147 to the Foundation. This grant ends on May 23. All reports are current.

2014 Forest Service Trapping and Treatment Grant

Ed reported the grant balance available to states is \$704,462.31 as of March 31, 2015. Total funds available after the racemic purchase will be \$868,424.30. All reports are current.

2015 Forest Service Trapping and Treatment Grant

Ed submitted the request about two weeks ago for \$5,044,856 with a \$1.7 million match to the Forest Service. The grant is over matched by about \$100,000, so if extra funds become available the match is in place. States should submit 424 packages as soon as they have their numbers correct. This year, the states should also submit a copy of the NICRA (negotiated indirect cost rate agreement) with the 424's.

Albuquerque Service Center Review of STS Foundation

The Forest Service has notified the STS Foundation of an upcoming audit of the Foundation's finances. The audit may take place the week of May 18 and it will involve Ed and Phil and possibly the accountants. States should inform their grants people and should be prepared to respond promptly if audit related information is requested. Donna will send the previous APHIS audit report to the audit committee (Phil Marshall, Scott Frank, and Eric Ewing) along with Larry Nichols, Phil Wilson and Ed Holloman.

MISCELLANEOUS

Paul Chaloux said that the grant allocation for survey is unknown at this time, however Anthony is working on a survey budget that is about half of last year's budget. Agreements can be amended if more money becomes available. The status of the regulatory grant is also unknown at this time.

Future Meetings

The next conference call scheduled for May 6, 2015.

Meeting Adjourned

Carl Harper (KY) moved to adjourn the meeting. Phil Marshall (IN) seconded the motion and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned.

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

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Cancelled

January 7 **Conference Call** February 4 **Conference Call STS Annual MT** February 18 March 11 **Conference Call** April 1 **Conference Call** May 6 **Conference Call** June 3 **Conference Call** July 1 **Conference Call** August 5 **Conference Call** September 2 **Conference Call** October 7 **Conference Call** October 29 **Conference Call** November 4 **Conference Call** December 2 **Conference Call**

The foregoing motions and actions, by unanimous consent are to have full force and effect as of April 1, 2015, unless otherwise indicated by the Board.

Melody Walker, Secretary