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

**February 7, 2017** 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 absent Melody Walker, Wisconsin, Secretary present Scott Schirmer, Illinois absent Phil Marshall, Indiana present Tivon Feeley, Iowa absent Carl Harper, Kentucky present Kimberly Thielen Cremers, Minnesota present Tim Brown, West Virginia absent

#### OTHERS PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETING

Dave Adkins, Ohio Nancy Johnson, Scott Frank, Illinois Kristy Stultz, Zack Smith, Indiana Mannin Dodd, Virginia Tech Ed Holloman, Southeastern Association Services Anthony Man Son Hing, USDA APHIS Donna Leonard, Laurel Haavik, Amy Hill, Dennis Haugen, 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 approve the December 6, 2017 meeting minutes Phil Marshall (IN) seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Virginia North Carolina Wisconsin

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#### STATUS UPDATES OF GRANT AGREEMENTS

# **2017 APHIS Regulatory Grant**

Ed reported a balance of \$41,894.54 as of February 5, 2017. Virginia will get their report in soon. Ed cannot draw down any money until the reports have been submitted. Reports that have been submitted will need to be adjusted to fit the new reporting schedule. Ed will send an amended letter with the new reporting schedule to each of the participating states. The dates in the current spreadsheet are correct.

>	Action: 2017 APHIS Regulatory Grant Reports		Due:
	FSR	(6/15/17 - 12/15/17)	1/15/2018
	Accomplishment Report	(6/15/17 - 12/15/17)	1/15/2018
	Final FSR	(12/16/17 - 6/14/18)	9/14/2018
	Final Accomplishment Report	(12/16/17 - 6/14/18)	9/14/2018

#### **2016 Forest Service Trapping and Treatment Grant**

Ed reported a balance of \$21,304. 14 as of February 5, 2017. This amount will be used for the purchase of racemic disparlure, and then the grant will be down to a balance of zero dollars.

### **2017 Forest Service Trapping and Treatment Grant**

Ed reported a balance of \$1,860,866.17 with the amount of \$67,785.70 available to spend as February 5, 2017. This amount includes the reimbursement of \$55,186 from Illinois. Illinois had deobligated this amount, however the disbursement to Illinois was for the full award including the \$55,186. Illinois will reimburse this amount.

All reports are current.

>	Action: 2017 FS Trapping and	Treatment Grant Reports	Due:
	Annual FSR	(1/1/17–12/31/17)	2/15/2018
	Annual Performance Report	(1/1/17 - 12/31/17)	2/15/2018
	Final FSR	(1/1/17 - 6/1/18)	7/15/2018
	Final Performance Report	(1/1/17 - 6/1/18)	7/15/2018

### **The Annual Board Meeting**

The auditors will not be at the meeting in person but will be available by Go-To-Meeting. The meeting will be about two blocks from the hotel. A phone will be set up for those who want to call in to the meeting. In addition, the Technical Committee will meet on February 22 at VCU.

#### **STS Operations Update**

The Foundation will receive an allocation of \$6.8 million for Operations plus \$110,000 for Technology Development for a total of \$6.91 million. The plan is to treat about 356,000 acres of the 380,000 acres recommended by the Decision Algorithm. There will need to be two requests for funds to the Forest Service due to the short term continuing resolutions. The first will be in March and the second one will be

sometime later in the season. The request in March will be for about \$4 million to get states started with their contracts. This will require more paperwork, but it cannot be avoided.

# **MISCELLANEOUS**

### **Future Meetings**

The annual board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 21, 2018.

#### **Meeting Adjourned**

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

# 2018 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 2018 is **888-844-9904 with access code 4050800.** 

January 3	Conference Call	Cancelled
February 7	Conference Call	Pending
February 21	STS Annual MT	Pending
March 7	Conference Call	Pending
April 4	Conference Call	Pending
May 2	Conference Call	Pending
June 6	Conference Call	Pending
July 4	<b>Conference Call</b>	Pending
August 1	Conference Call	Pending
September 5	Conference Call	Pending
October 3	Conference Call	Pending
November 7	Conference Call	Pending
December 5	Conference Call	Pending

The foregoing motions and actions, by unanimous consent are to have full force and effect as of February 7, 2018, unless otherwise indicated by the Board.

Melody Walker, Secretary