

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

Meeting Specifics							
Purpose		Time			STS Foundation Board Chair		
Monthly Meeting 10:00Al		10:00AM Central		Kimberly Thielen Cremers (MN)			
Date		11:00A	M Eastern		Location		
October 11, 2023		Minute	s Approved: November 1	, 2023	Virtual (Teams)		
Proper notice having been duly given to each Board member; a conference call of the Board of Directors was held on above date.						ectors was held on the	
		В	oard Members 11-OCT-	23			
President:			resident / Treasurer:		Secretary:		
⊠ Kimberly Thielen Cre	emers (MN)		Goforth (NC)		□ Carl Harper	(KY)	
	□ Phil Marshal	l (IN)	□ Tivon Feeley (IA)	⊠ Jona	than Shields (OH)	□ Larry Nichols (VA)	
⊠ Tim Brown (WV)	⊠ Renee Pins	ki (WI)					
		Other	s Participating in the Mo	eeting			
Illinois	Indiana		lowa	Kentud	cky	Minnesota	
Nancy Johnson	☐ Megan Abra	ham		☐ JD Loan			
North Carolina	Ohio:		Tennessee	Virginia		West Virginia	
Sara Lalk			⊠ Hannah Hollowell	☐ David Gianino		☐ Andy Stotts	
☐ James Goethe				☐ Ben	Templeton		
Wisconsin	GMSTS, Inc.		US Forest Service	USDA APHIS		Virginia Tech	
☐ Brian Kuhn (WI)	☐ Georgia Bro	ck	⊠ Tom Coleman			☐ Mannin Dodd	
			⊠ John Kyhl				
			□ Patrick Engelken				
			□ Derek Puckett				
			☐ Chris Hayes				
			□ David Mausel				
		☐ Tim Tomon					
Michigan State	MPC (Auditors	s)	Guests				
☐ Travis Perkins	☐ Michael Pala	azzo	☐ Sonia Bruck (USFS				
			SRS)				
			☐ Matt Sloggy (USFS				
			FWS)				

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Where	Whereas, the above noted directors constitute a quorum, and there is no objection to this proceeding, the following business was conducted:				
	Agenda (all times listed are in Eastern time)				
Time	Agenda Item	Presenter/Facilitator			
11:00a	Call to order:	Kimberly Thielen Cremers			
	Roll call	Carl Harper			
	Call for additional discussion items	Kimberly Thielen Cremers			
	Approval of minutes	Kimberly Thielen Cremers			
	Grant and budget spreadsheets	Georgia Brock/Tom Coleman			
	Audit committee report	Phil Marshall			
	STS Update, Racemic disparlure	Tom Coleman			
	APHIS Update	Kathryn Bronsky			
	Miscellaneous business	Kimberly Thielen Cremers			
	Adjournment	All			

Status Update of Grant Agreements and Action Items							
2022-23 APHIS Regulatory Grant Info as of 03-OCT-23							
2022-23 Regulatory Grant	Awarded	d Disburse		Pending	Deobligated	Balance	
Illinois	\$22,600.00	\$22,600	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Minnesota	\$50,000.00	\$50,000	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
West Virginia	\$30,000.00	\$30,000	.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Wisconsin	\$40,400.00	\$40,400	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Total Regulatory	\$143,000.00	\$143,00	.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Item				Assign	ned to	Due Da	te
2022-23 APHIS Regulatory Grant Report	ing						
FSR	(07/01/22 - 12)	/31/22)				01/16/20)23
Accomplishment Report	(07/01/22 - 12)	/31/22)				01/16/20) 23
Final FSR	(07/01/22 - 06)	/30/23)				08/15/20) 23
Final Accomplishment Report	(07/01/22 – 06	/30/23 [°])				08/15/20) 23
2022-23 APHIS Regulatory Reimbursem	ent Requests	Due					
Period: July 1 – September 30, 2022			IL,	MN, WV, V	VI	10/31/20)22
Period: October 1 – December 31, 202	2		IL,	MN, WV, V	VI	01/15/20) 23
Period: January 1 – March 31, 2023			IL,	MN, WV, V	VI	04/30/20) 23
Period: April 1 – June 30, 2023			IL,	MN, WV, V	VI	07/31/20) 23
2022-23 APHIS Regulatory Grant Action	Items:						
Status Update	of Grant Agree	ements a	nd A	ction Ite	ms		
2023-24 APHIS	Regulatory Gr	ant Info as	s of (03-OCT-23	3		
2023-24 Regulatory Grant	Awarded	Disburse	d	Pending	Deobligated	Balance	
Illinois	\$22,600.00	\$22,600	.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$22,600.00	
Minnesota	\$50,000.00	\$50,000	.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	
West Virginia	\$30,000.00	\$30,000	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$30,000.00	

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Wisconsin	\$40,400.00	\$40,400	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40,400.00
Total Regulatory	\$143,000.00	\$143,00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$143,000.00
Item				Assigned	to	Due Date
2023-24 APHIS Regulatory Grant Report	ing					
FSR	(07/01/23 - 12/3)	31/23)				01/16/2024
Accomplishment Report	(07/01/23 - 12/3)	,				01/16/2024
Final FSR	(07/01/23 - 06/3)	,				08/15/2024
Final Accomplishment Report	(07/01/23 - 06/3)	30/24)				08/15/2024
2023-24 APHIS Regulatory Reimburseme	ent Requests D	ue				
Period: July 1 – September 30, 2023			IL, MN,	WV, WI		10/31/2023
Period: October 1 – December 31, 2023	3			WV, WI		01/15/2024
Period: January 1 – March 31, 2024			IL, MN,	WV, WI		04/30/2024
Period: April 1 – June 30, 2024			IL, MN,	WV, WI		07/31/2024
2023-24 APHIS Regulatory Grant Action	Items:					

2021 STS Trapping and Treatment Grant Info as of 03-OCT-23

2021: Total of \$4,768,007

Grant #: 19-DG-11083150-004 Mod. 4

2021 Subgrants to States for STS	Award	Deobligated (subtracted)	Disbursed	Pending	Balance
Illinois STS	\$34,869.00	\$0.00	\$34,869.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Indiana STS	\$197,568.00	\$0.00	\$197,568.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Iowa STS	\$80,390.00	\$0.00	\$80,390.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Kentucky STS	\$44,000.00	\$0.00	\$43,162.70	\$0.00	\$837.30
Michigan - Calibration fly-in	\$9,000.00	\$0.00	\$9,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Minnesota STS	\$650,880.00	\$0.00	\$619,288.69	\$0.00	\$31,591.31
North Carolina STS	\$107,473.00	\$0.00	\$89,094.09	\$0.00	\$18,378.91
Ohio STS	\$480,660.00	\$0.00	\$480,660.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Tennessee	\$40,958.00	\$0.00	\$40,958.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Virginia STS	\$675,757.00	\$0.00	\$675,757.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
West Virginia STS	\$323,910.00	\$0.00	\$323,910.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Wisconsin STS	\$681,716.00	\$0.00	\$681,716.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Grayson & Perry Proposal SUNY)	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,591.75	\$0.00	\$4,408.25
Jon Walter (University of VA)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Subtotal STS Grants	\$3,337,181.00	\$0.00	\$3,281,965.23	\$0.00	\$55,215.77

Total Funds in Grant \$5,005,007.00

Subtotal Disbursed/Pending in subgrants \$3,281,965.23

Subtotal Foundation Expenses \$1,476,685.90

Total Spent \$4,758,651.13

Balance \$246,355.87

Obligated but not Spent \$246,355.87

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Item		Assigned to	Due Date
2021 STS Trapping and Treatment G	rant Reports		
Annual FSR	(01/01/21 - 12/31/21)	All receiving funds	01/29/2022
Annual Performance Report	(01/01/21 - 12/31/21)		01/29/2022
Final Performance Report	(01/01/21 - 12/31/21)		07/15/2022
Final FSR	(01/01/21 - 06/01/22)		07/15/2022
2021 STS Trapping and Treatment Ad	ction Items:		
*Items highlighted in green above in the 20	21 balance for each state has		
been deobligated			
Reserved \$890,002.08 for Racemic			

2022 STS Trapping and Treatment Grant Info as of 03-OCT-23

2022: Total of \$4,412,357

Grant #: 19-DG-11083150-004 Mod. 7

2022 Subgrants to States for STS	Award	Deobligated (subtracted)	Disbursed	Pending	Balance
Illinois STS	\$109,257.00	\$0.00	\$109,257.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Indiana STS	\$230,968.00	\$0.00	\$161,235.32	\$0.00	\$69,732.68
Iowa STS	\$80,405.00	\$0.00	\$80,405.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Kentucky STS	\$44,000.00	\$0.00	\$44,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Michigan - Calibration fly-in	\$9,000.00	\$0.00	\$9,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Minnesota STS	\$508,941.00	\$0.00	\$508,941.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
North Carolina STS	\$107,608.00	\$0.00	\$82,784.71	\$0.00	\$24,823.29
Ohio STS	\$421,705.00	\$0.00	\$236,472.30	\$0.00	\$185,232.70
Tennessee	\$88,658.00	\$0.00	\$72,213.99	\$0.00	\$16,444.01
Virginia STS	\$671,632.00	\$0.00	\$529,709.55	\$0.00	\$141,922.45
West Virginia STS	\$349,031.00	\$0.00	\$349,031.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Wisconsin STS	\$795,214.00	\$0.00	\$795,214.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Dylan Parry (SUNY)	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,917.31	\$0.00	\$6,082.69
Derek Johnson (VCU)	\$29,983.00	\$0.00	\$29,959.57	\$0.00	\$23.43
Subtotal STS Grants	\$3,456,402.00	\$0.00	\$3,012,140.75	\$0.00	\$444,261.25

Total Funds in Grant \$4,300,944.00 Subtotal Disbursed/Pending in subgrants \$3,012,140.75

Subtotal Foundation Expenses \$607,770.58

Total Spent \$3,619,911.33

Balance \$681,032.67

Obligated but not Spent \$681,032.67

Item	Assigned to	Due Date	
2022 STS Trapping and Treatment Gra	2022 STS Trapping and Treatment Grant Reports		
Annual FSR	(01/01/22 - 12/31/22)		01/29/2023
Annual Performance Report	(01/01/22 - 12/31/22)		01/29/2023
Final Performance Report	(01/01/22 - 12/31/22)	All receiving funds	07/15/2023
Final FSR	(01/01/22 – 05/31/23)	· ··· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	07/15/2023
2022 STS Trapping and Treatment Ac	tion Items:		

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2023 STS Trapping and Treatment Grant Info as of 03-OCT-23

2023: Total of \$4,813,741

Grant #: 19-DG-11083150-004 Mod. 9

2023 Subgrants to States for STS	Award	Deobligated (subtracted)	Disbursed	Pending	Balance
Illinois STS	\$297,409.00	\$0.00	\$260,887.70	\$0.00	\$36,521.30
Indiana STS	\$309,743.00	\$0.00	\$157,271.24	\$0.00	\$152,471.76
Iowa STS	\$87,267.00	\$0.00	\$14,306.23	\$0.00	\$72,960.77
Kentucky STS	\$50,642.00	\$0.00	\$1,441.39	\$0.00	\$49,200.61
Michigan - Calibration fly-in	\$9,000.00	\$0.00	\$9,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Minnesota STS	\$535,112.00	\$0.00	\$32,762.06	\$0.00	\$502,349.94
North Carolina STS	\$130,784.00	\$0.00	\$7,157.00	\$14,047.26	\$109,579.74
Ohio STS	\$371,494.00	\$0.00	\$148,998.72	\$0.00	\$222,495.28
Tennessee	\$49,733.00	\$0.00	\$21,369.63	\$0.00	\$28,363.37
Virginia STS	\$586,840.00	\$0.00	\$118,566.69	\$0.00	\$468,273.31
West Virginia STS	\$430,836.00	\$0.00	\$62,702.32	\$0.00	\$368,133.68
Wisconsin STS	\$749,777.00	\$0.00	\$394,877.15	\$0.00	\$354,899.85
Dylan Parry (SUNY)	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
Derek Johnson (VCU)	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
Subtotal STS Grants	\$3,628,637.00	\$0.00	\$1,229,340.13	\$14,047.26	\$2,385,249.61

Total Funds in Grant \$4,813,741.00

Subtotal Disbursed/Pending in subgrants \$1,243,387.39

> Subtotal Foundation Expenses \$461,098.55

> > **Total Spent** \$1,704,485.94 **Balance** \$3,109,255.06

Obligated but not Spent \$3,109,255.06

Item		Assigned to	Due Date
•	2023 STS Trapping and Treatment Grant Reports		
Annual FSR	(01/01/23 – 12/31/23)		01/29/2024
Annual Performance Report	(01/01/23 – 12/31/23)	All receiving funds	01/29/2024
Final Performance Report	(01/01/23 – 12/31/23)		07/15/2024
Final FSR	(01/01/23 – 05/31/24)		07/15/2024
2023-24 STS Trapping and Treat Fun	ding Requests Due		
Period: January 1 – June 30, 2023		All receiving funds	07/31/2023
Period: July 1 – September 30, 202	23		10/31/2023
Period: October 1 – December 31,	2023		01/31/2024
Period: January 1 – March 31, 202	4		04/30/2024
Period: April 1 – May 31, 2024			07/15/2024
2023 STS Trapping and Treatment A	ction Items:		

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Assigned Action Items as of 03-OCT-23					
Item	Assigned to	Due Date			
Tennessee to join the STS Foundation Board: Action: The Board is waiting for SPRO submitted application from TN. Once received, the board will review and vote at the next Board meeting on voting in TN to the STS Foundation Board. It is suggested that Tom Coleman (FS) follow up with TN to see where they might be in the process.	The STS Foundation Board/Tom Coleman (FS)	In Progress			
Action: Once TN has been added as a confirmed Board Member – the STS Foundation Board will update its documentation – send it to the STS Foundation Board member states for signatures to finalize the process for each state individually.					
Action (11-OCT-23): Review whether or not to move to our own QuickBooks Online Account or continue with MPC's sub account, nine (9) months after the transition date.	STS Foundation	9 months after transition date			

	Agenda Item Notes					
Topic		Discussion (all times are listed in Eastern time)				
1.	Call to order	Called to order at 11:00a AM by President Kimberly Thielen Cremers (MN)				
2.	Roll call	Secretary Carl Harper (KY) did roll call and quorum was met.				
3.	Approval of minutes	 September 6, 2023, Board Minutes Motion by Phil Marshall (IN), Seconded by Jonathan Shields (OH), Approved. 				
4.	Grant and budget spreadsheets (10032023 spreadsheet_final official.xlsx, STS 2024 budget (9-28-23).xlsx)	Tom Coleman (US FS) The federal government averted the shutdown! Sky Stephens will attend ALDR meeting. 2023 – 2024 Regulatory Submit your reimbursement requests through September 30, 2023, for auditors to have. 2023 FS Submit your reimbursement requests through September 30, 2023, for auditors to have.				
5.	Audit committee report	 Phil Marshall (IN) Reviewed the September STS Foundation Board books since the last board meeting, and all were in order. Joy Goforth (NC) Tax filings got delayed and once it got all worked out (staff changes within the audit company and email traffic), it was after the deadline and a late fee (\$880) was incurred. Plan is implemented to prevent this from happening in the future. 				

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6. STS Update, Racemic	Tom Coleman (FS)
6. STS Update, Racemic disparlure	 Planning meetings with each state has started today for Slow the Spread. Will work on getting the Washington Office budget numbers for the next year. With increase in suppression and eradication area where will STS fall in the financial process. Conversations are taking place on the financial process. APHIS (Kathryn Bronsky) has also been talking and letting those know about the STS program. Suppression with proper funding helps our program but the suppression funds are for many different programs and not just spongy moth. Quotes for Racemic disparlure ended (September 2023) Received one bid. ATGC Biotech Quote: \$424,000 for 1,269 KG of Racemic disparlure Motion to accept the bid. Phil Marshall (IN) moves to accept bid, Larry Nichols (VA) seconds, motion passes. Physical location of Racemic storage at APHIS facility. Pictures were not acceptable, but a video would suffice
	according to the auditors.Video created and now to see if it will be accepted by the
7 HODA ADUIG 15 15 15	auditors.
7. USDA-APHIS Update	 Kathryn Bronsky (APHIS) Operating on a continuing resolution and that limits what can be spent.
8. Miscellaneous	 Discussion Items Kimberly Thielen Cremers (MN): Letter of support for funding for research for Ksenia at Virginia Tech Research on SPLAT GM-O review of toxicity in aquatic environments. No test in the environment at this point. The goal is to submit for funding to FSPIAP, to research this so that we have information to address such questions. Support letter from our board would be submitted with the grant proposal documentation to FSPIAP. Motion to accept the letter of support:

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	 Kimberly Thielen Cremers (MN): Update of Aerial Pesticide 		
	Applicator Training		
	 Great turnout. The threat of government shutdown loomed 		
	but was luckily averted!		
	 13 states and Ontario, CA 		
	 Hosted at Al's Aerial Spraying and all were well pleased 		
	with the training.		
	 80% had less than 3 years of experience in attendance. 		
	 QuickBooks Online Update 		
	 Georgia talked to MPC, best time to switch is after audit. 		
	 If get online access through MPC it will be cheaper and if 		
	we move to another auditor, it is transferrable.		
	Preference would be to work with MPC.		
	 Action Item: Review whether or not to move to our own 		
	QuickBooks Online Account or continue with MPC's sub		
	account, 9 months after the transition date.		
	 Annual Meeting of Board in February 		
	 Meeting location decision for the annual meeting 		
	 Raleigh, Greensboro, Charlotte, Wilmington, or Asheville, 		
	NC for proposed locations.		
	■ Meeting date: February 21, 2024		
	 Joy Goforth (NC) will put together information for narrowed 		
	list of locations (Raleigh and Charlotte, NC) for a final vote.		
	 ALDR - Jonathan Shields (OH) 		
	■ Coming up in Morgantown, WV!		
	 66 registered attendees at this point. 		
	Speakers locked in and agenda is solid!		
	Look forward to see all in Morgantown!		
9. Adjournment	Phil Marshall (IN) made a motion to adjourn, Carl Harper (KY) seconded		
,	the motion. The motion passed.		
	Adjourned 12:18p		
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2023 STS Conference Call and Meeting Schedule				
Conference calls are scheduled for the 1st Wednesday of each month at 10:00 CT/11:00 ET unless otherwise scheduled				
by the Board President. The call-in was via Microsoft Teams.				
Date	Meeting Type	Held / Cancelled / Pending		
January 4, 2023	Microsoft Teams Call	Held		
February 22, 2023	Annual Face-to-Face Meeting	Held (Raleigh, NC and via Teams)		
March 1, 2023	Microsoft Teams Call	Cancelled		
April 5, 2023	Microsoft Teams Call	Held		
May 3, 2023	Microsoft Teams Call	Cancelled		

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June 7, 2023	Microsoft Teams Call	Held
July 5, 2023	Microsoft Teams Call	Cancelled
August 2, 2023	Microsoft Teams Call	Held on August 14, 2023, due to scheduling needs
September 6, 2023	Microsoft Teams Call	Held
October 4, 2023	Microsoft Teams Call	Held on October 11, 2023, due to scheduling needs
November 1, 2023	Microsoft Teams Call	Pending
December 6, 2023	Microsoft Teams Call	Pending

The foregoing motions and actions, by unanimous consent, are to have full force and effect as of October 11, 2023, unless otherwise indicated by the Board.

Carl Harper, Secretary