

**Society of Grasslands Naturalists
Board Meeting October 1, 2013**

Present: Anne Bernhardt, Eileen Cowtan, Bill Knibbs, Paul Thibault

Hosted by: Anne Bernhardt who provided refreshments at the Medicine Hat Public Library

Call to order

Minutes:

1. The June 20, 2013 special board meeting minutes were reviewed. **Motion carried** to accept the minutes.
2. The September 3, 2013 board meeting minutes were reviewed. **Motion carried** to accept the minutes.

Action Items:

1. Recognising David Gue: Tabled for next Board meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

1. Eileen presented GN Club and IP Balance Sheets and Income Statements as of Sept 30, 2013.
2. Park bench has been installed but no invoice has been received yet.

Correspondence:

1. Eileen passed around the Nature Alberta magazine.

Other Reports:

1. Governance Committee

- Binders for Board members will be purchased for next Board meeting on November 5th 2013.

2. Budget Committee

- Eileen and Corlaine have worked out a system of paying bills when Eileen is on Holidays.

3. I.P. Operations Committee

- GN Board received minutes from the September 25 meeting of the sub-committee of the Operations Committee.

4. Communications Committee

- Website: Paul T. is working on website.
- Phoning: Bill K. will phone members not on the email list about field trip information.

5. Interpretive Program

- Trade show, Oct 25-27 2013. Marty would like volunteers to help out. Phone Marty if you can help.

6. Outdoor Programs and Field Trips

- No report.

7. Nature Alberta

- No report.

Other Business:

1. Casino workshop: Nov 5th 2013. Time: 9:00AM to 1:00PM. Location: Holiday Inn Express. Please let Anne know if you are interested in attending.
2. Letter from REDI Enterprises Society (Filed for information)

3. Proposed "Emerald Award" application for "Baby's Breath" project. Anne will contact Cathy L. at the Medicine Hat College for more information.

4. Community Foundation Information Package. Paul T. will talk to Mike Christie about setting up a meeting with the GN Board in late January or early February 2014 for more information.

Adjournment at 8:15 pm. The next Board Meeting will be held Tuesday, November 5th at Eileen Cowtan's home at 7:00PM.