

Minutes of the LOS Winter Meeting
LSU Museum of Natural Science
Baton Rouge
Saturday, January 28, 2017

President Steve Cardiff called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m.

Steve introduced the evening speaker, Dr. Van Remsen, Curator of Birds at the LSU Museum of Science since 1978. Van's talk was titled "LSUMNS Fieldwork in South America and the Discovery of 42+ New Species of Birds and 5 New Genera".

Steve welcomed members and guests especially new members. Steve gave special thanks to Avian Events Support Team and BRAS for sponsorship, Chef Donna Dittmann for the wonderful desserts Friday evening, and the LSU Museum of Natural Science for hosting Friday's reception. Steve thanked Jennifer Alexander, Kevin Colley, Jackie Duncan Valerie Derouen and Vivian Chua for help with setting up Friday's reception and Judith O'Neale, Joseph Vallee, Joelle Finley and Ken Harris for working the registration and sales tables and Donna Dittmann for making all of the meeting arrangements. Thanks were given to all of the field trip leaders, museum tour guides and bird banders: Matt Brady, Rob Dobbs, Marty Floyd, Marty Guidry, Oscar Johnson, Jane Patterson, Michael Seymour, Paul Conover, Nancy Newfield, Kevin Morgan, Steve Locke, Erik Johnson and Dan Mooney.

Steve introduced the officers and board of directors of LOS: Steve Cardiff-President, Delaina LeBlanc-Vice-President, Judith O'Neale-Treasurer, Joelle Finley-Secretary, Marty Floyd-Past-President and board members Larry Raymond-N LA, Joseph Vallee-SW/Central LA and Christine Kooi-SE LA, LOS NEWS Editor Donna Dittmann and JLO Editor Jennifer Coulson. Steve announced the JLO editor vacancy. Anyone interested should contact LOS.

Steve called for a vote on the revisions to the Constitution and Articles as posted in the LOS News. Joelle Finley moved Rosemary Seidler seconded to accept the revisions as reported in LOS News. Approved

Steve called the checklist-125 species

Steve announced Sunday's field trips: Meet at Lake Martin at 8 a.m. for the Ringed Kingfisher tour, meet at Coffee Call at 6:45 a.m. for the BR mop up tour, the LSUMNS at 9 for the museum tour, and Dittmann/Cardiff open yard after 8 a.m.

Judith drew for door prizes. Judith thanked YRARF, Jennifer Alexander, Kevin Colley and Malise Prieto for donating some door prizes.

Steve announced that the 70th Anniversary (platinum) meeting of LOS will be held April 28-30 in a place yet to be determined and the fall meeting will be on October 27-28. The

2018 winter meeting will be held either in Alexandria or in conjunction with the Eagle Expo in Morgan City.

Steve announced that nominations for the 2017 LOS President's Award and the George H. Lowry, Jr. Award should be sent to Marty Guidry.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Joelle Finley, Secretary

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