

**Friends of the Bird Sanctuary  
Annual Meeting Minutes  
October 9, 2004, 2:00 pm  
DCWMA Clubhouse**

Note: A written Agenda, President's report, Treasurer's report, and list of 2005 program events under consideration was circulated to the membership before the meeting started.

The meeting was called to order by FOTBS President David Biegel.

The Secretary certified that a membership quorum was present. There are 138 voting members and 5%, or 7 members, would constitute a quorum. 20 FOTBS members were present and 25 additional members were represented by mail-in proxy.

David Biegel introduced the FOTBS Board of Directors.

As this was the first annual meeting, no minutes were available from the previous meeting.

David Biegel discussed his President's report.

The Treasurer's report was discussed by Scott Peterson.

David Biegel and Douglas Reisner, acting as the Audit Committee, declared that the Treasurer's report accurately reflected the current FOTBS finances.

David Biegel introduced the four candidates nominated for the three open Board of Director positions: Robert Dreis, Jim Low, Moira Moga, and Scott Peterson. David Biegel asked for additional nominations from the floor. Julie Fromm nominated Teresa Elmore and Susan Peterson seconded this nomination.

The members voted (paper ballots) and passed in their ballots for counting.

Fred Strand, DNR, gave the Property Manager's report. A 25-year DCWMA property lease agreement had been signed effective August 18, 2003. One burn was scheduled in 2003. Fire break maintenance had been completed along key paths/roadways in 2004. In 2005 three burns were scheduled for spring and one for fall. In 2005 field trial trails would be available for horse use. In 2005 Sharp-tailed grouse would be opened for permitted hunting on the DCWMA. In 2005 it is anticipated that the siting will be completed for the proposed North Country Trail segment through the DCWMA.

There was no Old Business as this was the first annual meeting.

Under New Business Ron Tuverson suggested that a fall DCWMA litter pick-up be scheduled for Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00 am. Volunteers would meet at the clubhouse.

President Dave Biegel announced that the design, siting, and construction of an information kiosk on DCWMA property is a FOTBS goal for 2005.

A list of 2005 FOTBS program events under consideration was discussed by Scott Peterson.

During an Open Discussion, the impact of the proposed Arrowhead-Weston power line on the DCWMA property was discussed. A motion by the membership to formally oppose the power line project was made by Dan Moga and seconded by Mora McCusker. The motion was unanimously passed by a vote of the membership. Mora McCusker suggested that a sample letter to the Douglas County Board of Supervisors opposing the power line project be provided to members so that they could send them to the County.

David Biegel announced the results of the Board of Directors election. Robert Dreis, Moira Moga, and Scott Peterson were elected to three-year terms.

David Biegel asked if there was any other business to be brought before the membership and there was none.

Dave Biegel asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Mora McCusker, second by Dave Biegel Jr. to adjourn. Motion was carried.

Submitted by: Scott Peterson, Secretary