

**Cape Cod Bird Club
Board of Directors Meeting
February 12, 2018**

Call to Order: 6:15 pm

Christine

Present: Christine Bates, Peter Bono, Julie O’Neil, Mary Jo Foti,
Mark Faherty, Paul Schlansky

Regrets: Stefanie Paventy, George Oleyer, Marilyn Schlansky

Review of Minutes from the January 2018 meeting: APPROVED

Julie

Regular reports

1. Treasurer’s report

Mary Jo

APPROVED

MJ explained about donating \$100 to Birds Caribbean (a very nice thank you letter received) and \$200 for Mass Audubon Membership (which is intended to include \$100 for the Mass Audubon Annual Birders meeting)

2. Scholarship report

Christine

No applicants to date

Peter suggested that we might want to switch to teachers programs in future years
Christine will be in touch with Judith Davis to see if she would like to use one of the reserved weeks; by the end of Feb, she will cancel any of the unused weeks we reserved and seek to get our deposit back

3. Refreshments report

Paul for Marilyn

Marilyn cannot attend any further CCBC meetings, due to a change in her rehearsal schedule with Chatham Corale. It would be nice to find a volunteer to fill out the remainder of her term (ends in June 2018), but it is more realistic to find different volunteers for March, April, and May of this year.

4. **Newsletter**

Peter

Next issue going to printers on March 6, so Peter needs material from Stef and Mark several days before that (preferably **March 1**). Two articles in next issue: David Clapp on Australia and Sue Finnegan on her 2017 bird banding season.

Peter explained why several board members will be getting multiple copies of the newsletter (bulk postage rate requires that we mail 200 copies). Peter suggests that Board Members place extra copies in their town library and/or Post Office as well as Senior Centers and other similar locations.

5. **Merchandise report**

George

No report. George is away.

6. **Publicity**

Paul

Nothing specific to report.

7. **Speakers**

Mark

Mark has a speaker for April, but not yet for March or May.

8. **Walks**

Stephanie

Stephanie out sick. No further reports on new trip leaders

9. **Chairing General Membership Meeting due to vacant Presidency**

March (MJ Foti); April (Mark Faherty); May (Peter Bono)

Discussion of non-renewing Members

Best suggestion – Email Blast reminder.

Peter will draft email and work with Terry Gavin to get the email blast sent out.

Discussion of board vacancies and elections

The 4 Officer Positions stand for election each year in May. MJ agreed to stand for Treasurer again, but the other three positions (President, VP, and Secretary) will be vacant.

There are two Director positions (3-year terms) coming up for election in May: Programs (incumbent Mark Faherty) and Refreshments (open due to resignation of Marilyn Schlansky).

Christine will appoint a Nominating Committee. We need a slate of candidates by mid-April, so that we can send out an announcement (via email) at least two weeks before the Annual Meeting, which is held on May 14.

Unfinished or new business

None.

Adjourned at 7:00 pm

Next meeting March 12 at 6:15pm

Respectfully submitted,

Julie O'Neil (Secretary, CCBC)

The Program tonight was Dave Wiley on *Preliminary Results of Great Shearwater Research around Stellwagen National Marine Sanctuary*

Attendance~ 45-50

Selective sightings:

Bald Eagles: many sightings Cape-wide

Killdeer: Harwich

Eastern Phoebe: Sandwich