

## United Field Ornithologists of Roswell



### UFO-Roswell Meeting Minutes – March 22, 2014

1. Members Present: Jeff Cohen, Dee Redd, King Redd, Steve Smith, Nancy Cluff Siders, Bill Siders, Dale Wilkins, Susan Clem, Bill Clem, Bob Goode
2. The club welcomed new member Bob Goode
3. Meeting Minutes - January 25, 2014
  - a. Steve presented the minutes from Phelps Anderson
  - b. The minutes were approved as drafted
4. President's report (Steve Smith)
  - a. Steve presented the meeting agenda and it was adopted
  - b. President's Update
    - i. Executive Committee Formation – Steve described the formation of the Executive Committee comprised of club officers
    - ii. The EC will meet prior to each meeting to prepare the agenda and process new developments
5. Treasurer's Report (Mike Richardson)
  - a. Mike gave a verbal report of the club finances and bank account
6. Secretary's Report (Patrick Collins)
  - a. UFO-Roswell Roster
    - i. Patrick described the club roster that he has developed in Xcel spreadsheet
    - ii. The following elements are included:
      1. Name
      2. Street Address
      3. Mail Address
      4. City
      5. State
      6. Zip
      7. Email Address
      8. 1<sup>st</sup> Phone
      9. 2<sup>nd</sup> Phone
      10. Facebook Member
      11. Membership type
      12. 2012 Member
      13. 2013 Member
      14. Current Member
      15. Miscellaneous Notes

- b. Emailing Lists
    - i. Patrick can send anyone who is doing a club-related emailing an email list filtered to the specific target audience (e.g., current members, past members, “friends of UFO-R”, etc.)
    - ii. Patrick requests that a new list be requested for each mailing, as he is continually updating this list.
    - iii. Patrick also suggests duplicating emailing’s on the Facebook Page (either through “status updates” or adding new events.
7. Events Planning
- a. Mini Festival at Rattlesnake Springs – Mike, Steve & Emmalee
    - i. Date: April 12, 2014
    - ii. Cost: (Will include catered lunch & T-shirts expense)
      - 1. \$40 for members
      - 2. \$45 for non-members
    - iii. Event Coordinator – Nancy Cluff Siders
    - iv. Location:
      - 1. Enchanted Farm – meet @ 7:00 AM, then caravan to Rattlesnake Springs
      - 2. Rattlesnake Springs – Meet @ 9:00 AM
    - v. Guides:
      - 1. Steve West
      - 2. Bob Nieman
    - vi. Presentation: Steve West
    - vii. Preparation
      - 1. Dee & King will take food, tables etc. and set up at the pond for lunch
      - 2. Patrick will man a table at the picnic tables and conduct sign-up, releases, collections, etc.
      - 3. Steve will assist with food and transport drinks
      - 4. Steve & Emily will coordinate meet-up at Enchanted farm
    - viii. Advertising
      - 1. Dale will publish notices in RDR
      - 2. Patrick and Nancy will do the Facebook Event
  - b. Spring Bird Count – Steve
    - i. Steve reported that BLNWR will not be coordinating the Spring Bird Count henceforth due to staff constraints. A request has been made to UFO-R to see if we would assume the coordination
    - ii. The club voted to assume the responsibility;
      - 1. there will need to be eight coordinators to coordinate observations and counts in each of the 8 sections (Same as Christmas Count)
      - 2. The group will meet at a designated location for lunch and compilation the day of the count
    - iii. Bill Siders agreed to become the coordinator
    - iv. Date: May 10, 2014
8. Field Trip Committee (Patrick Collins)
- a. Handout – UFO-R Field Trip Guidelines
    - i. The executive committee recommended adding a modest charge to the trips for non-members
    - ii. The club discussed the pros and cons

- iii. A motion (Mike/Dee) to “leave the guidelines unchanged and not add a charge” passed
    - b. Handout – UFO-R Release Form
      - i. Patrick shared the modified release form – the form is now trip-specific
      - ii. The members approved the update
    - c. Past Trips – Patrick gave a brief report on these trips
      - i. Bitter Lake NWR – January 25, 2014
      - ii. Sandia Rosy Finch Banding – February 23, 2014
    - d. Future Trip Planning
      - i. Spotted Owl and Nogal Canyon – April 26, 2014
        - 1. Date – CHANGED to May 3, 2014
        - 2. Time: 8:00 – 3:00
        - 3. Coordinator: Patrick
        - 4. Guides: Jeff & Steve
        - 5. Plan: meet at 412 N. Kentucky and caravan to Ruidoso
      - ii. Option – Lesser Prairie Chicken (Dirty Dancing) –
        - 1. There was insufficient interest to plan an official field trip
      - iii. Option – Melrose Trap – Date TB
        - 1. There was insufficient interest to plan an official field trip
        - 2. The club discussed the option of spontaneously planning “catch-as-catch-can” trips, but below the threshold of “official field trips.
        - 3. Emmalee and Nancy were interested I that option
      - iv. Option – Sandia Mountains Raptor Migration Project
        - 1. There was insufficient interest to plan an official field trip
9. Web-site Update (Dale Wilkins)
10. T-Shirt Update (Dale Wilkins)
  - a. Dale circulated a T-shirt design with estimated prices
  - b. A motion (Mike/Emmalee) to “approve the design concept and authorize Dale to proceed with an order” passed unanimously
11. Presentations
  - a. Using the UFO-Roswell Facebook Page – Patrick Collins
  - b. Guest Speaker: “Flying Free:: by Dan True (Cancelled)
12. Next Meeting – May 31, 2014

Respectfully submitted: Patrick Collins