

## NFSS BOD – 1<sup>st</sup> QUARTER MEETING

Feb 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019

PRESENT: Rebecca Mikel, Amber Kincheloe, Laura Watkins, Sara Roberts, Paula Hansen, Bill Parlee, John Wilson, Bob Peers, Susan Stieve, Roland Cristo, Sally Huntington, Danny Maldonado, Cheryl Burns, Doug White, Javier Perez, Sally Porter, Laura Tinker

RESIGNED: Laura Bewley, Awards/Affiliations

APPOINTED: Lauren Ogburn, Awards/Affiliations

Rebecca opens meeting

### DEPARTMENT REPORTS

#### REBECCA MIKEL, President

2019 is a General Election year. Those persons working on the Election Committee will be Rebecca Mikel, Susan Stieve, Laura Tinker, and Paula Hansen. There will be regular information through the year in the Journal and on the website regarding deadlines and procedures for the election, the voting process, etc. We will provide electronic ballot option again this year.

#### PAULA HANSEN/BANDS DEPT.

##### NFSS Webmaster:

Reviewed Finch Save 3 forms and will post w/ky participant counts.

Set-up main web page Census announcement,

Paid Formsite for Census for Months of Jan. to March 13th

Working w/Daniel Maldonado on website upgrades:

- Updated Wordpress version

- Revising Tab menus - simplification

- Secured Website

- Agreed to eliminate migration fee both agreed it was not necessary and redundant.

Replied to public inquiries many on safe plants

Proofed remaining journal issues 2018

Posted President's messages in "Members Only" section

Updated Journals in Archive

Working on TOC (table of contents) of all archived journals

##### NFSS Band Secretary:

Sent end of the year surplus band count (2018) to President.

Received 2019 bands - December 2018

Provided Band Certification for PR members

Ordered Jiffy envelopes, E-Z Band Kits & Reloads and additional 2019 Aluminum closed bands

Band department reports monthly to Treasurer

Forwarded articles/graphics to Dropbox

Promoting NFSS Bands & Supplies in FB Groups.

#### Siskin Project

10/18 rec'd conservation strategy for 2015-2035 from Red Siskin Initiative here is a brief narrative on this 35 page report. Anyone wishing to read let me know I'll email it to you personally.

### The Project 's Vision Statement

We aim to maintain and restore self-sustaining populations of Red Siskins in the bird's natural habitat across its historic range. With this success, the Red Siskin will be a source of local and national pride, and a symbol of commitment to preserving natural heritage.

### Near Term Goals

While many steps are required to realize this vision, the Project is making strong progress and continues to build momentum and add partners. Across the range of the Red Siskin, we have been very active with field research to achieve a better understanding of this species' threats, ecology and evolution, which will facilitate the best possible decision making regarding conservation management and reintroduction. We are also building education programs and working on architectural design of Red Siskin conservation, rescue and education centers in Venezuela, while in Guyana, we are now focused on establishing habitat protection, creating a formal system for monitoring and reporting illegal trapping, providing education to local communities and building capacity through training in research and ornithological field skills. In the US, a captive population is now being established to support fundraising, education against the illegal pet trade, and research on husbandry, breeding, care and reintroduction techniques. Modern genomic methods are also being used to study important genetic questions and develop methods for managing captive populations. Partners in all countries are ramping up the effort to research and reduce trapping and trade in coordination with communities, local authorities and international organizations.

### Making the Difference

Several actions to protect Red Siskins are about to start. Three programs devoted to rescue, captive breeding, research, and public outreach are being created, in Venezuela and the US. Also local communities have begun to get involved in monitoring and protection in Guyana. Confiscation of poached birds, law enforcement, and public awareness are our mid-term targets, with creation of protected areas, reintroduction, and other actions as possibilities for the future, depending on research findings.

Department Report for FinchSave::

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#### SALLY PORTER, 3<sup>rd</sup> VP - FINCH SAVE/CENSUS

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2018 Census is now open, and will close March 31, 2019. Paula has paid for the census to be on formsite. Posts announcing the opening were made on our Facebook page, plus our Yahoo group. Participation has surpassed the 2017 census. 22 people have reported finches, 7 have reported softbills, and 6 have reported dove/quail. Some of these people have birds on multiple forms, so the actual total number of participants is 30.

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### MEMBERSHIP – Laura Watkins

263 Single

30 dual (= 60 members)

12 foreign

5 Junior

TOTAL: 340

4th VP – JUDGES PANEL – Laura Tinker

17 judges currently on the NFSS Judge's Panel; Gene Perez voted in at November 2017 BOD meeting;  
Ken Gunby resigned

Continuing to monitor Judges dues and membership fees

In the process of collecting 2019 Show Assignments, Compiling 2018 Show Reports for publication

Submitted NBS paperwork regarding the NFSS Judge for the 2019 event prior to December 31<sup>st</sup> deadline.  
NBS affiliation paperwork for 2019 submitted as well.

TREASURER- Sara Roberts

P&L Jan 1, 2018 - Jan 11, 2019

DEPARTMENT	INCOME	EXPENSE
Journal/Ad Income/Pub Exp	\$1660.00	\$6595.00
Affiliations	\$405.00	\$0
Award Sales/Public & Mail Exp.	\$1115.00	\$2487.00
RSP	\$0	\$0
Band Sales/Purch Exp	\$8341.00	\$5747.00
Membership Dues/Mail Exp	\$11,646.00	\$646.00
Advertising	\$0	\$0
Judge's Panel	\$100.00	\$0
MISC		
Amazon Smile Donation	\$11.00	\$0
National Bird Show	\$0	\$1305.00
Affiliate Show Sponsorship	\$0	\$353.00
Business(post,mail, office)	\$0	\$249.00
Web Host	\$0	\$275.00
Bank Fees	\$0	\$109.00
Donations – In/Out	\$45.00	\$500.00
Govt Fees	\$0	\$129.99
TOTAL:	\$23,323.00	\$18,386.00
PROFIT/LOSS:		\$4,937.00

Chase Bank Balances @ 1/11/2019

Checking	\$8,057
Savings	\$31,471
Total Cash	\$39,528

2019 Proposed Budget – Sara Roberts

	INCOME	EXPENSE	POSTAGE	PAY PAL	SUPPLIES
BANDS 2019	\$8000	\$4500	\$1100	\$215	Included
BANDS 2018	\$8341	\$4441	\$1099	\$207	Included
MEMBERSHIP 2019	\$10,500	\$50	\$400	\$250	Included

MEMBER 2018	\$11647	\$4	\$396	\$246	Included
JUDGES PANEL 2019	\$100	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
JUDGES 2018	\$100	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
AFFIL/NBS/SPON2019	\$400	\$1600	\$0	\$50	\$0
AFILL 2018	\$405	\$1658	\$0	\$0	\$0
AWARDS 2019	\$\$1200	\$1400	\$40	\$35	\$0
AWARDS 2018	\$1115	\$2453	\$50	\$34	\$0
JOURNAL W/AD 2019	\$1500	\$9070	\$0	\$0	Included (4 issues)
JOURNAL 2018	\$1660	\$6595	\$0	\$0	Included -(3 issues)
MISC BUDGET 2019	\$100	\$400	\$140	\$10	\$300
MISC 2018	\$56	\$470	\$201	\$9	\$249
WEBSITE 2019	\$0	\$300	\$0	\$0	N/A
WEBSITE 2018	\$0	\$275	\$0	\$0	N/A
TOTAL 2019	\$21,800	\$17320	\$1680	\$560	\$300
TOTAL 2018	\$23,324	\$15896	\$1746	\$496	\$249

2019 PROFIT: \$1940

2018 PROFIT: \$4937

### NEW BUSINESS

NCBS AFFILIATION LEVEL: NFSS will continue with the same monetary level of support for the NBS Affiliation as they did in 2018.

AFTERNOON OF AVICULTURE: There will be no AOA event at the 2019 NBS Event.

### MOTIONS:

MOTION #	MOTION	BY	2 <sup>ND</sup>	RESULT
2019-1	To Allow hybrids in a separate section for a two (2) year trial period, with conditions as stated *	Huntington	Perez	FAIL
2019-2	To accept the 2019 Proposed	Peers	Huntington	PASS

	Budget			
2019-3	All BOD members will participate in the annual census	Huntington	Stieve	PASS
2019-4	NFSS will affiliate with OPA	Peers	Hansen	PASS
2019-5	Lauren Ogburn will be appointed to the position of Awards/Affiliations Manager Pro-Tem	Tinker	Stieve	PASS
2019-6	Accept minutes as written and adjourn meeting	Stieve	Maldonado	PASS