

SOAR Wildlife Center Board Meeting
February 27, 2018 10:00 1.m.
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I. Welcome: Tiffany Welcomed the Board of Directors to the 1st Meeting

Attendance: Tiffany, Pamela, Gail

Not in Attendance: Laura, Lucas, Penny, and Rob, and Non-Voting Board Member:
Samuel Dodenhoff

The meeting was convened at 10:02 a.m.

II. Dept. of DOJ/Secretary of State Issue

Wendy with the DOJ contacted SOAR via a really scary letter about SOAR not being in compliance on a membership issue.

THE ISSUE: SOAR WAS REGISTERED AT THE SECRETARY OF STATE AS A MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION AND SHOULD HAVE BEEN REGISTERED AS A NON-MEMBER ORGANIZATION.

Tiffany was in email contact with Wendy @ DOJ who wrote the letter and Wendy sent Tiffany the Amendment Request- which Tiffany filled out (see attached). The Amendment requests the above wording (changing SOAR's registration from a membership corp. to a non-member corp).

Tiffany showed Pam and Gail the email thread from Wendy and then showed Pam and Gail the Amendment form.

Pam moved to adopt the form and send to the Secretary of State- Gail 2nd- all in favor- passes 3/3

Vote: Bylaws- PASSED- All approved- No abstentions.

Tiffany will file the form with the Secretary of State.

III. Board of Directors

Spoke about how many BOD needed to be present to have a quorum. At this time we have 7 BOD therefore we need to have 5 BOD to vote to have a quorum.

Therefore, it is of utmost importance we every BOD is interested in being on the SOAR BOD and can attend most meetings.

IV. Leasing a Goat for SOAR

Fawn formula is very expensive. Depending on the number of fawns SOAR rehabilitates, the cost can be upwards of \$15k. Over the years, Tiffany has tried a number of other less expensive formulas on the market (for white tail fawns), unfortunately scours is a huge issue when the formula is not made specifically for black-tailed fawns, and death occurs in many instances. Currently, the only black tailed fawn formula on the market is manufactured by Fox Valley. In an effort to reduce those costs, and reduce possible habituation in fawns, SOAR has been looking into possibly leasing in-milk goats. These goats would be utilized as 'foster

mothers' for the fawns, providing nourishment through their milk, but also lessen the chance of imprinting or habituation, by having less human contact (through bottle feeding).

Tiffany has met with negative results through adds in Facebook, Craig's List, Let it Go, and Offer Up. Gail recommended Aliza as a possible contact for goats and Pam has a contact she will check with. Tiffany will report back as to her success. If any other board member hears of or knows of someone who would lease or sell a goat in Milk from May-September, please let Tiffany know.

V. Treasury Report

Did a very quick cursory review of the 2017 financial report through APLOS Software (the current program SOAR utilizes for accounting). Tiffany sent the BOD and email with the complete 23 page financial report.

VI. Regular Semi-Annual Meeting Dates

Due to the difficulty in the past of getting the BOD together for a meeting, it was decided that SOAR would have 2 BOD meetings each year. One meeting in April 3rd Tuesday of the month (prior to the start of baby season) and one meeting in October- 4th Thursday of the month (after release);

The next meetings are as scheduled:

October 25, 2018 @ 1730 hours @ SOU Taylor Hall #228A

April 16, 2019 @ 1630 hours @ SOU Taylor Hall #228A

October 24, 2019 @ 1730 hours @ SOU Taylor Hall #228A

VII. Interns & Paid SOAR Part-time Position for 2018

Tiffany covered the positives and negatives of the 2017 interns. Tiffany will continue to offer internships @ SOAR for College students, but will add an application and oral board interview process. Tiffany also applied for a grant for \$5,000 to pay for a part-time experienced 'Animal Care Specialists' from May-September 2018.

If you would like to be a part of the interviewing process for the hiring of the interns or paid position at SOAR, email Tiffany.

VIII. Novalis

Update on Novalis and the property we looked at relocated to in 2017.

IX. Fawn Release Fundraiser

SOAR would like to do another fawn release fundraiser in 2018. Pam offered to assist with the coordination and offered to host the event at her home. Thank you Pam!

X. *Next Meeting*

October 25, 2018 @ 1730 hours @ SOU Taylor Hall #228A

Meeting ended at 11:17 a.m.