

Kirtland Bird Club
MEETING MINUTES FOR JANUARY 8, 2014

1. CONVENING. President Lukas Padegimas called the meeting to order at 7:38 pm. at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History. Thirty-three people attended, including guests Amy Winnicki, Emily Winnicki, and Elaine Schramm.
2. MINUTES. Recording Secretary Tom Romito read the December 4 meeting minutes, which the membership present accepted with no corrections.
3. TREASURY. Treasurer Mary Anne Romito reported that over 100 people on last year's KBC roster have paid their dues for this year and 36 have not.
4. JOINT MARCH MEETING. Lukas reported that Kirtland Bird Club is going to co-host a free public meeting with Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society and the Audubon Society of Greater Cleveland on Sunday, March 9 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo auditorium. The meeting will feature a film called "The Lost Bird Project," followed by a panel discussion on the protection of habitat and endangered species. We are publicizing the meeting as a "friend-raiser" to promote our respective organizations and possibly increase our memberships. Mary Anne noted that auditorium rent is \$400 and the catering cost is also \$400. The three organizations are sharing the cost, which gives KBC a share of \$133 for the auditorium and \$133 for catering. Bob Finkelstein made a motion that we pay this cost and Craig Caldwell seconded it. The subsequent vote carried. Lukas said an article about the event will appear in the upcoming newsletter.
5. FIELD TRIPS. Lukas reported that we didn't have a field trip in December because many our members participated in the Christmas Bird Count on December 14. On January 18, there will be a joint field trip with Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society and the Northeast Ohio Young Birders Club to E. 72d Street Marina.
6. ANNOUNCEMENTS.
 - a. Lukas announced that the Northeast Ohio Young Birders Club will meet on Saturday, January 11 at Rocky River Nature Center with a field trip from 9:00 a.m. to noon, followed by an organizational meeting.
 - b. Craig Caldwell announced that promotional material for the Ohio Ornithological Society was available on the back table.
 - c. Lukas announced that Tom Romito would give a presentation at the February 5 meeting on the five-year breeding bird survey conducted by the Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society.
7. SPEAKER. Lukas introduced Sarah Winnicki, who gave a presentation on evolution and natural selection of birds, as well as highlights from her recent trip to the Galapagos Islands.
8. OBSERVATIONS. Tom Romito conducted observations for the period December 5 through January 8, which are attached to these minutes.
9. ADJOURNMENT. President Lukas Padegimas adjourned the meeting at 8:54 p.m.

OBSERVATIONS FOR DECEMBER 5, 2013-JANUARY 8, 2014

OBSERVER	LOCATION	SIGHTINGS
Mickey Lewin	Cleveland Heights	White-throated Sparrow
Claire Johnson	Cleveland Heights	Red-shouldered Hawk
Dave Dvorak	Cleveland Heights	Swamp Sparrow
Dale Gaul	E.72d Street Marina	Black-legged Kittiwake
Bob Finkelstein	Edgewater Marina	Black-legged Kittiwake
Paula Lozano	Edgewater Marina	Snowy Owl
Sarah Winnicki	Hopkins Airport	Snowy Owl
Mary Anne Romito	Hopkins Airport	Rough-legged Hawk
Tom Romito	Ira Road Trailhead in CVNP	Golden-crowned Kinglet
Jan Ranahan	Bay Village	Cooper's Hawk