

Kirtland Bird Club
MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 4, 2015

1. CONVENING. President Lukas Padegimas called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm. at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History. Thirty-nine people attended, including guests Gretchen Watson, Paul, Jen, and Jeff.

2. MINUTES. Recording Secretary Tom Romito read the February 4 meeting minutes, which the membership present accepted with no corrections.

3. TREASURY.

a. Treasurer Mary Anne Romito reported that 100 members from last year have paid renewed their dues and 54 have not.

b. We sent Black Swamp Bird Observatory a check for \$1,138 for Project Snowstorm because BSBO tagged a Snowy Owl for Ohio this year. This payment included \$639 from donations by KBC members and \$499 from KBC.

4. FIELD TRIPS. President Lukas Padegimas reported that we held a field trip to Avon Power Plant on February 15. We will have field trips at Wendy Park on March 29 and at Cleveland Lakefront Nature Preserve on April 25. We will also have a field trip in May to view the Peregrine Falcon nest at the Terminal Tower. There will be two tours that day.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS.

a. KBC Past President Dwight Chaser explained the concept of our Ohio Avian Project Initiative to the attendees. He noted that project committee consists of Andy Jones, Susan Jones, Laura Gooch, and Glenn Novotny. He reported that in September, the committee sent out a request for proposals for bird studies in Ohio up to \$1,000. The committee chose to award a grant to Daley Crawford from Lakeland University, who is conducting a study on Sandhill Cranes. Dwight made a motion to accept the committee's recommendation and explained that the committee had already seconded the motion. The members present passed the motion.

b. President Lukas Padegimas announced that KBC will need a new vice president when Vice President Dave Dvorak assumes the presidency this year. We will also need a new corresponding secretary.

c. Tom Romito, chair of KBC's Marketing Committee, announced that the Shreve Migration Sensation will occur on Saturday, March 21. KBC has an opportunity to have a table in the vendor's area and called for volunteers to staff it.

d. Julie West announced that the Nature Center at Shaker Lakes will host a warbler symposium on March 31 and another bird symposium in late April.

e. President Lukas Padegimas announced that KBC's April 1 meeting at the Museum will be a joint meeting with Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society and Audubon Society of Greater Cleveland. Bill Thompson of Bird Watcher's Digest will be the guest speaker.

6. SPEAKER. President Lukas Padegimas introduced Dave Dvorak, who gave a presentation on the birds and geography of the Pacific Northwest.

7. OBSERVATIONS. Tom Romito conducted observations for the period from February 5 through March 4, which are attached to these minutes.

8. ADJOURNMENT. President Lukas Padegimas adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

OBSERVATIONS FOR FEBRUARY 5 – MARCH 4, 2015

OBSERVER	LOCATION	SIGHTINGS
Fred Dinkelbach	Brecksville	Long-tailed Duck
Delores Watson	Cleveland	Downey Woodpecker
Paula Lozano	Flats	Long-tailed Duck
Mary Anne Romito	Ira Road in CVNP	Virginia Rail
Lukas Padegimas	Caley Reservoir	Northern Saw whet Owl