

**Kirtland Bird Club**  
**MEETING MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 3, 2014**

1. CONVENING. President Lukas Padegimas called the meeting to order at 7:40 pm. at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History. Fifty-one people attended, including guests Matt McCarrin, Holly Lynn, and Jim and Gayle Wohlken.
2. MINUTES. Recording Secretary Tom Romito read the November 5 meeting minutes, which the membership present accepted with no corrections.
3. TREASURY.
  - a. Treasurer Mary Anne Romito reported that 86 members have paid dues and 66 have not.
  - b. The Tom Lepage Scholarship Fund has \$550 and the Project Snowstorm fund has \$639.
4. FIELD TRIPS. Paula Lozano reported that 21 people attended the field trip at Rocky River Park and the mouth of the Rocky River on November 23. They saw 26 species, including Hooded Merganser, Pied-billed Grebe, and Eastern Phoebe.
5. ANNOUNCEMENTS.
  - a. Jerry Talkington announced that the East Side Cleveland Bird Count will occur on December 20. We will try to best last year's record of 87 species. This is the last year that Jerry will coordinate the event.
  - b. Laura Gooch announced that observers reported 126 species during the Cleveland Lakefront Nature Preserve avian survey as of October 30. A partial route is coming for those who want to use it. Perfection is not a requirement and once-a-month surveys are fine. The First Quarter report is out on e-mail.
  - c. President Lukas Padegimas announced that birding magazines from the Klamm collection are available for the taking.
  - d. Craig Caldwell auctioned off nature-oriented books from another collection.
  - e. Andy Jones noted announced that Black Swamp Bird Observatory will hold its second pelagic field trip of the year on December 7.
  - f. President Lukas Padegimas announced that Ethan Kistler will speak at the January 7 KBC meeting on the birds of Africa.
6. SPEAKER. President Lukas Padegimas introduced Andy Jones, who gave a presentation on changes in ornithology.
7. OBSERVATIONS. Tom Romito conducted observations for the period from November 6 through December 3, which are attached to these minutes.
8. ADJOURNMENT. President Lukas Padegimas adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

## OBSERVATIONS FOR NOVEMBER 6 – DECEMBER 3, 2014

OBSERVER	LOCATION	SIGHTINGS
Donna Owens	Huron River	Harris Sparrow
Paula Lozano	Lakewood	5 Fox Sparrows Hermit Thrush
Jan Ranahan	Lakewood	Cooper's Hawk
Gayle Wahlken	Burton	White-breasted Nuthatch
Holly Lynn	Ladue Reservoir	White-fronted Goose
Claire Johnson	Nature Center at Shaker Lakes	Pine Siskin
Anna Julnes	Dike 14	Snow Goose Winter Wren Merlin
Mary Anne Romito	Ira Road Trailhead in CVNP	Blue-phased Snow Goose Virginia Rail Otters
Jim Heflich/Pat Kelner	South Euclid Sims Park	Many House Sparrows Surf Scoter and Black Scoter
Bill Deininger	East 9 <sup>th</sup> St.	Common Gallinule
Jean Hoffman	Cleveland Heights	Eastern Saw-whet Owl
Dick Hoffman	MLK Blvd.	Wild Turkey
Linda Sekura	Mentor Marsh	Virginia Rail
Dave Dvorak	Cleveland Heights	Eastern Saw-whet Owl
Lukas Padigemas	Headlands SP	Snowy Owl