



Call to Order

The Saint Paul Bird Alliance Board of Directors meeting was held on Monday May 5, 2025. President Greg Burnes called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm. Those attending were President Greg Burnes, Vice-President Kiki Sonnen, VP of Communications Martha Douglas, Treasurer Neil Carlson, Secretary Amanda Rice, Monica Bryand, Debbie Brown, Craig Cox (Zoom).

Current Business

Approve Last Month's Minutes

Martha moved to approve the Minutes without revisions, and Neil seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Treasurers Report

Neil provided the following update on our current assets as of May 5, 2025:

- US Bank Checking: \$19,383.98
- US Bank Savings: \$12,354.07
- US Bank Certificate: \$16,813.28
- TruStone Certificate: \$34,350.51

Reviewed the draft budget. Martha moved to approve the budget, Kiki seconded it.

Committee-Program Updates

Nominations

Monika moved to approve the slate of candidates, Martha seconded it. The vote will be held on May 8.

Grants

Team reviewed a recent grant request. It is outside of the grant cycle and Craig will respond.

Communications

Martha to send roles that need a transition plan.

Field Trips

A field trip chair is needed.

Conservation

- Cardinal Woods cleanup scheduled for May 19.
- Kiki is working with St. Paul and Friends of the Mississippi on the zoning updates.

Programs

Reviewed draft 2025-2026 topics, coordinating with LLBA

Looking for additional volunteers to run programs

Event Updates

- Warbler Weekend is May 9-10, 2025, and planning is on track. Registration is full..
- Tabling Preparation: Kiki has joined with Land of Lakes Bird Alliance (LLBA) to host an information table at the upcoming Twin Cities Free Bird Festival at Mississippi Gateway Regional Park on Saturday May 17 from 10 am to 2 pm.
- June 23: finalize May 8 minutes for account update, potluck.

Monica to share survey used for UBC volunteers.

Open Issues

Looking to create a process to route emails that come into the group.

Adjourn – Next BoD Meeting - to be scheduled

Martha moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:50; Monika seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.