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Nebraska Ornithologists' Union General Business Meeting Saturday, May 18, 2019 Fairbury, NE

President Joel Jorgensen called the meeting to order.

Ruth summarized the May 2018 meeting notes. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes, which were approved.

Jan Johnson summarized the treasurer's report, indicating that our organization was solvent.

Joel reported that Mary Bomberger Brown and Paula Hoppe comprised this year's Auditing Committee. Nothing major was identified, and all found in order. Joel has a copy of the report if a member wishes to review it.

Joel indicated the Fall 2019 meeting site will be the weekend of September 13-15 in Imperial, Nebraska. Members interested in attended were encouraged to reserve rooms early if staying at the Imperial Inn, as space is limited. Information will be coming out either in a newsletter or broadcast email from Joel. Plans are underway to have the Spring 2020 meeting in Scottsbluff/Gering. Very preliminary plans for a Fall 2020 meeting at Platte River State Park in Cass County, NE are underway, possibly to be held in October of 2020.

Joel introduced the Nominating Committee of Katie Gooby, Ross Silcock, and Brian Peterson. Brian announced the nomination of the following officers;

President – Joel Jorgensen Vice President – Robin Harding Secretary – Ruth Stearns Treasurer – Jan Johnson Editor – Janis Paseka Librarian – Anita Breckbill

TJ Walker was also nominated as a three-year director (2019-2022), joining directors Bill Flack (2017-2020), and Don Paseka (2018-2021). Mark Brogie continues as chair of the Records Committee.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the entire slate of officers, which was unanimously approved by the membership.

Joel recognized the service of Ross Silcock for his 25 years as Compiler for the Seasonal Bird Report. Joel also recognized Janis Paseka for her 15 years as Editor of the Nebraska Bird Review, who thanked the assistance of Co-editor, Joe Gubanyi.

Joel asked if there was any other business. Barb Strauss spoke again about getting a microphone and speaker for the meetings, and Joel indicated he had been looking into the possibility of a microphone and speaker that used blue-tooth technology.

Robert Manning asked if reminders could be sent out regarding payment of membership dues, with a resolution that Joel could use newsletters or email to occasionally remind folks at the beginning of each calendar year.

As there was no further business, a motion was made, seconded and accepted to adjourn.

Respectively submitted, Ruth Stearns Secretary