

Final Meeting Minutes

Education, Planning, and Outreach Committee
Board of Wildlife Resources
7870 Villa Park Drive, Board Room
Henrico, VA 23228

October 25, 2023
3:00 pm

Present: Mr. Michael Formica, **Chair;** Mr. John Daniel; **Absent:** Dr. Mamie Parker; **Board members present:** Mr. Jon Cooper, Mr. Woody Woodall, Mr. Tom Sadler, Mr. George Terwilliger, **Executive Director:** Mr. Ryan Brown; **Deputy Directors:** Ms. Becky Gwynn and Mr. Darin Moore; **Director's Working Group:** Dr. Mike Bednarski,, Ms. Stacey Brown, Mr. Bob Smet, Mr. George Braxton, Mr. Rob Lewis, Ms. Paige Pearson, Mr. Paul Kugelman

The Committee Chair called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Chair noted for the record that a quorum was present for the meeting.

Approval of the May 24, 2023 and August 16, 2023 Meeting Minutes: The Chair called for a motion to approve the May 24, 2023 and the August 16, 2023 Committee meeting minutes. Mr. Daniel made a motion to approve the May 24, 2023 Committee meeting minutes. Mr. Formica seconded the motion. Ayes: Formica and Daniel

The Chair called for a motion to approve the August 16, 2023 Committee meeting minutes. Mr. Daniel made a motion to approve the August 16, 2023 Committee meeting minutes. Mr. Formica seconded the motion. Ayes: Formica and Daniel

Public Comment – Non-Agenda Item: The Chair called for Public Comments on Non –Agenda Items, hearing none, the Chair continued with the meeting.

WildTail: America's Wildest Conservation Success Story: The Chair called on Ms. Paige Pearson.

Ms. Paige Pearson gave a presentation on *WildTail: America's Wildest Conservation Success Story*.

After comments and questions, the Chair thanked Ms. Pearson for her presentation.

Elk Hunt Update: The Chair called on Mr. Cale Godfrey for a presentation.

Mr. Godfrey gave a presentation on the 2023 Elk Hunt.

After comments and questions, the Chair thanked Mr. Godfrey for his presentation.

Outreach Division Update: The Chair called on Mr. Bob Smet.

Mr. Smet Reported:

- 2 New Employees Hired
- WildTail App
- Thanked Paige Pearson for the excellent job on the **WildTail: America's Wildest** event
- Conservation Success Story event
- Becoming a Virginia Hunter on 10/28/23
- Organizing Recognition of Veteran Staff

Director's Report: The Chair called on Mr. Ryan Brown for his Director's Report.

The Director had no report at this time.

Chair's Report:

The Chair thanked all the Board members and Director Brown for the work that is being done by this agency and is looking forward to all the different Outreach opportunities that are on the horizon that Outreach staff are working on.

The Chair asked if anyone had any further questions or comments and hearing none, the Chair announced the next meeting will be Wednesday, October 25, 2023, and adjourned the meeting at 4:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Frances Boswell