

**SIOSA Board of Directors Meeting
Decatur Co. Courthouse
July 8, 2010**

Present: Casey Campbell, Mark Erke, Gregg Pattison, Dustin Eighmy, Bill Brown, John Orvis, Sharon Orvis, Paul Gunzenhauser, Karla Gunzenhauser

John opened the meeting at 7:05.

Treasurer's Report:

Regular Account: Balance as of 6/26/2010 was \$10,181.02. Credit of membership from John & Sharon Orvis (\$100), Ron Eckoff (\$100), Bill & Sybilla Brown (\$100), Craig Allen (\$25), Gregg & Karen Pattison (\$50). Cash received from meal \$70. Interest income \$0.09. Debit to Mark Erke for online database registration of \$99.00. Ending balance of \$10,527.11

Federal Funds Account: Balance as of 6/26/2010 was \$52,943.17. Interest income of \$0.49. No debits. Ending balance of \$52,943.66.

Habitat & Restoration Update

Gregg met with Missouri Dept. of Conservation counterpart to share information regarding savanna restoration in both states. An area was defined to focus restoration efforts. Dustin and Gregg met with Iowa DNR and NWTF to set up plan for savanna restoration of 45 areas at and around Steven's State Forest.

Outreach

Mark contacted Chris Ratchford to do SIOSA's website. Chris will be putting together a quote for the cost of developing the website. The site will include a home page, PDF membership form, links to other partners, events calendar, weekly update, and a savanna information page. Estimated cost of the development is between \$500 and \$1,000.

New Business

After seeing a cost estimate of an administrative assistant, it was motioned by Mark and second by Bill to invite Jen Abraham to the next meeting to discuss the possibility of employment. Bill suggested the board periodically review the group's strategic plan and make sure it's actions are in line with the long term goals. A nomination committee made up of Gregg, Mark, Bill, and Dustin will prepare a slate of nominees for officers to be voted upon at our November meeting. Paul Gunzenhauser submitted his resignation as board secretary as he now lives in Humeston and attending meeting won't be as convenient. Mark agreed to fill the position until new officers are elected.

Old Business

A discussion of the current bylaws shows the board is allowed 11 members and currently only as 10. Mark suggested by email after the meeting that they board should discuss adding a student member at our next board meeting. The board also decided to nominate a slate of potential officers in late summer and move it's annual meeting to November were officers will be voted upon by the membership.

Bill made the motion to adjourn the meeting with a second by Mark at 8:45.