MINUTES FROM CWA BOARD MEETING OF JANUARY 24, 2018

CWA had 5 Board Members and 8 guests present, our best attendance ever. Thanks to all who attended!

Banquet: Chris Samor with the help of other Board Members have things well underway. We are looking good!

Newsletter: We should have a draft ready by mid-February.

Website: Because of the great efforts of Web Master Joe Alix, the Website is looking great! We have gone from 30 unique visits per day during 8/17 to 54 visits per day during 1/18! We rock!

Reneson original painting raffle: We have sold 30 tickets already and we still have not tapped all our sources of advertisement. Folks need to purchase their tickets soon or they will be gone!

CWA Properties: VP Rick Boucher and President Greg Chasko will visit the three sites in early summer when aquatic vegetation is up. From there, we will decide how to proceed.

Scholarship Fund: No applicants yet, but attendee Jackie Alix provided a website that we can use to spread the word. Stay tuned.

Membership: The Board decided to maintain April 15, as the annual renewal date. The Membership Director can use his/her discretion if a Membership is purchased late in the cycle. For example, if an individual joins March 15, 2018 his/her next renewal would be April 15, 2019 (not 2018). CWA should do a group email to members in February to remind folks that Membership dues are due.

Treasurer's Report: CWA funds are in the black. We are committed to spending \$2,500.00 on the DEEP's Wildlife Division's Papineau Marsh restoration which will not be a problem.

Future Events: Wood Duck Box building Day had to be cancelled as wood is not available. However, last year's building day was so successful that the Wildlife Division has all the boxes they need for this year. We'll get back at it, next year. Planning for the Jr. Duck Stamp Contest, Training Day and fall Sporting Clay shoot is in order.

July Elections: President Chasko will be stepping down 6/30/18 after a two year term. He will remain very actively involved in CWA. Three Board Members were designated as a Nomination Committee to develop a slate of candidates for officers and Board Members. Any member who is interested in getting involved needs to let CWA know their interest. You can do this on our Website.

Mentor Program: We got a few Mentees out this year. The Board agreed to recognize all Mentors who have participated at the banquet this year.