Minutes
Georgia Natural Resources Foundation
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August 10, 2020

Attendees:

Commissioner Mark Williams
GNRF Board Chairman John D’Andrea
GNRF Board Vice Chairman Gene Rackley
DNR Board Chairman Nancy Addison
DNR Board Vice Chairman Dee Yancey
Sara Clark
Lonice Barrett
Edens Davis
Bill Jones
Chris Albrecht
Jen Ryan
GNRF Board Chairman John D’Andrea called the board meeting to order. He began by introducing and turning the meeting over to the GNRF Executive Director Lyndy Saparow. Lyndy provided an update on administrative tasks, the Nathan Deal Conserve Georgia’s Natural Resources Scholarship application, and the mask campaign.

Lyndy turned the meeting over to DNR Commissioner Mark Williams. Commissioner Williams began with discussion of Weekend for Wildlife. He posed the question, should the GNRF move forward with an in-person 2021 Weekend for Wildlife?

After brief discussion, it was decided to move the 2021 WFW to a virtual format due to impacts of Covid 19. Suggestions were made regarding how to display auction items and retain participation, such as incorporating videos from Georgia’s Governor and First Lady. Small dinners were discussed to allow for bidding on live auction items. Lyndy discussed current contracts and cancellation fees associated with cancelling the in-person aspects of WFW. Lyndy advised she will follow up to see if reservation fees can rollover to future WFWs.

GNRF Board Chairman John D’Andrea advised board members of the next WFW planning meeting and concluded the meeting.

Edens Davis motioned to adjourn, Gene Rackley seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned.