Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society Board Minutes Monday, November 21, 2011 6 p.m. at Sandwich Delites, Berea, OH

Present: Nancy Howell, Kurt Miske (interested in newsletter), Penny O'Connor, Scott Rush, Diane Sigler

- 1. Finances: in the treasury \$10,973.62. Donations are arriving in response to the annual appeal letter, \$485 so far. The cost of the mailing was \$882.91.
- 2. Cornell Lab of Ornithology funding opportunity: Scott and Nancy reported that this is specifically for "Celebrate Urban Birds" Scott will look into the terms. Nancy would like for WCAS to do an event. We might explore jointly with such organizations as Brooklyn Centre Naturalists, Friends of Big Creek, or Bellaire Puritas Community Development Organization.
- 3. Potluck and Silent Auction: December 6, 2011. Will try to arrive by 5 p.m. in order to set up for auction and dinner. Liz will bring the ham and turkey. Nancy will bring pop. Will ask Kit about table cloths. Have napkins and placemats.
- 4. Newsletter: Kurt Miske is interested in being newsletter editor. He runs a sign shop, comfortable with PC, longtime Audubon member who is new to WCAS.
- 5. Christmas Bird Count: Friday, December 30, chili lunch at 1 p.m. at Rocky River Nature Center. WCAS will supply pop, coffee, tea.
- 6. North American Ornithological Conference in Vancouver, BC on August 13-18, 2012. Opportunity to present our results? Scott suggested that we might put together something for a poster session.
- 7. Events at Cleveland Lakefront Nature Preserve (a.k.a. Dike 14)
 - a. Great Back Yard Bird Count, Sunday, February 19, 2012 1-4 p.m.
 - b. Open House, Saturday May 19, 2012
- 8. Final IBA Survey Report: Diane offered to read over sections. Nancy is still waiting for some chapters.
- 9. Next meeting: Monday, December 12, 2012 6 p.m. at Sandwich Delites, Berea, Ohio.