

Maryland Biodiversity Project

Board Meeting - 2021.02.23

The Maryland Biodiversity Project (MBP) board met on Tuesday, 23 February 2021 to discuss selected open business. Discussion highlights are summarized in the meeting minutes below.

Minutes

- Mission Statement
 - We start our MBP Board meetings with a review of our mission statement.
 - Mission Statement: Catalog the living things of Maryland. Promote science, education, and conservation by helping to build a vibrant nature study community.
- Treasurer's Report
 - The Treasurer provided a high-level summary of finances including current bank accounts, recent donations, and upcoming actions.
 - All tax preparation and related filing actions are progressing on schedule.
 - The board reviewed and voted on budgeting priorities for 2021.
- Programming priorities for 2021
 - Priorities for 2021 programming were a focus area of discussion. Most projects and programs are still in the planning phase. Public health and COVID-19 remain a top concern. We anticipate that this will impact our programming in the first half of 2021 and possibly longer.
 - Projects and programs will be announced as decisions are made.
 - In 2021, Maryland Biodiversity Project will begin targeted, quantitative data collection. Our first targeted data collection project will document insect biodiversity in poorly studied areas.
 - The Board voted to move forward with web development support activities.
- No changes to the Board were proposed at this time.

Board composition (all in attendance)

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- Jim Brighton - President
 - John Hall - Secretary
 - Bill Hubick - Treasurer
 - Jane Hill - Member at large
 - Mike Walsh - Member at large

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