

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING, July 13, 1984

The third quarterly Executive Board meeting of the National Finch Society was held at the home of Nancy Reed on Friday evening, July 13, 1984. All officers were present or took part in the meeting via conference call.

The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read from the previous quarterly meeting and were accepted. Russ Armitage reported that our present balance in the treasury as of July 13, 1984 is \$781.80.

A brief discussion was held regarding our AFA affiliation and our need to replace Nancy Reed as our delegate. The matter was tabled. Jerry D'Agata and Al Decoteau were mentioned as possible delegates.

New NFS affiliates were announced. Those joining were the The Western New England Cage Bird Society, The Central Penna Cage Bird Assoc. and The Mass. Cage Bird Assoc.

A discussion was held regarding cost for ads in the NFS quarterly bulletin with the following results. Full page ads will cost \$25. Classified ads will be at a rate of 15¢ per word. Full details of ad costs and deadlines will be found elsewhere in this bulletin.

Al and Bill brought up star ratings for the judges' Panel as well as expanding our present panel of judges. Al will send out letters to selected well known finch judges with all particulars. A one star judge would be an apprentice judge, two stars a judge with experience and a three star judge being a fully accredited judge with the National Finch Society. Our goal is to have all affiliated shows next year with National Finch Society judges.

The bulletin was discussed and the need for members to send in articles on different aspects of the Finch and Softbill hobby. A big thank you to Terry Dunham of Florida for the great article on Gouldian mutations that will appear in the July issue.

The remainder of the meeting focused on the NFS National Show. During the past month the Executive committee has been discussing dropping the Park Plaza Hotel in New Haven as our membership has not developed in that area and we feel trying to put on a successful show without local people involved would be to risky. After much discussion we decided to accept the offer of the Greater New England Cage Bird Show to host The National Finch Society Show.

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This will change our show date to October 27, 1984 with the location being the Veterans Memorial Building in East Hartford, Conn. The Memorial Building is a lovely old mansion atop the highest point in E. Hartford. The site is easily accessible by Interstate 84.

The National Finch Show will be entirely separate show, with its' own room. The Greater New England Show and the National Finch Show will co-sponsor the banquet and NFS is endeavoring to attract a nationally known speaker for the event. The sharing of the show site will also enable Finch exhibitors to bring other birds with them for show in the G.N.E.C.B.S.

The Holiday Inn of East Hartford, Ct. is located only one mile from the show hall at exit 58 of I84. See show ad elsewhere in this bulletin.

A lengthy discussion followed on everything that must be accomplished on the day of the show. The meeting was ajourned at 9:45pm.

Minutes transcribed from tape.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Beginning balance (April 15, 1984)	\$ 370.06
Income	
Show Catalog Ads	205.00
Membership Dues	90.00
Club Affiliations	120.00
Bulletin Ads	60.12
Bank Serv.Charge (reversal)	3.03
Total Income	<u>478.15</u>
Expenses	
Bulletin Printing and Postage	75.20
Checking Serv. Chg.	3.03
Endorsement Stamp	3.23
Total Expenses	<u>81.46</u>
Ending Balance (July 13, 1984)	\$ 766.75