The following board members were in attendance: Sandy Artman, Julie Black, Brenda Curtis, Mike Krzyzkowski, Ron Mills, and Barb Taylor.

The meeting was opened by Mike K, the agenda was approved for the board meeting, and the minutes from the September 13, 2018 BOD meeting were approved. Sandy A presented the treasurer's report for the month of September which included membership dues plus donations for the beginning of our year. Her report was also approved.

OLD BUSINESS:
Young Birders Club- no report as Michelle K was out of town. Ron M shared about a program sponsored by the Early Learning Coalition called Charlotte Reads which connects preschoolers with adults to promote reading with similar interests such as nature/birding. Could be a program to correlate with our children's education focus.

Bird Blind Update- Mike K and a few others met for a work day putting up seven feeders, re-stringing the squirrel baffles, and purchasing new seed as the stored seed had gone bad. Bird Blind at CHEC looks good for now.

Website Update- no report as Sue G was not able to attend meeting

Pennington Update- no report at Cindy M out of town

Nature Festival- Larry B will need help with this event. Ron M has set up supplies from last year. Maybe Nancy Turner or Starr will be able to assist? Mike K has plans for making blue bird boxes. Brenda C may have some ideas. Will announce at general meeting for additional volunteers.

Audubon Assembly on October 18-20 at West Palm. Mike K & Brenda C will attend. Ron M will lead PRAS general meeting in Mike's absence.

Still looking for Silent Auction chair and CHEC representative.
Discussed volumes of accumulated records at CHEC. What should we do with this? Archiving and getting rid of the unnecessary volumes paperwork saved will be tabled for future discussion.

Phyllis Cady, Membership chair reported by email a total of 440 members.

A letter from a teacher was read thanking PRAS for the information for students on our website. She suggested a link to other informative sites which will be shared with our young birders but not added to our website

NEW BUSINESS:
Banquet: Julie B reported that Patti Linn is working on reserving Twin Isles for our annual banquet on March 21, 2019. There currently is a conflicting meeting but Twin Isles will contact group to accommodate. Discussion included using a committee for this event to share the workload, announcing at the general meeting to save the date and ask for volunteer help.

Prior to this BOD meeting, a request from Brenda Curtis supporting the Audubon Assembly priorities was approved by the board via email communication.

The meeting was closed by president, Mike K.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Black
PRAS Secretary