The PSO Board of Directors conducted a teleconference meeting with the following members participating: Mike Fialkovich, Deb Grove, Greg Grove, Margaret Higbee, Roger Higbee, Laura Jackson, Chad Kauffman, Wayne Laubscher, Linda Wagner, Carole Winslow, and David Yeany. Also present were probable new board members Brian Byrnes, Tony DeSantis, and Julia Plummer and PGC representative Sean Murphy. Deb called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

Minutes – Roger

The minutes of the July 27 meeting were distributed prior to this meeting.

Treasurer’s Report – Frank

There was no treasurer’s report.

Annual Meeting-- Deb

Deb prepared an agenda for the virtual annual meeting to be held on September 29 from 7:00 to 7:30 p.m. The agenda will be as follows:

Welcome to all attendees.

Voting results for new board members, continuing board members, and officers. The results will be projected along with the names of the candidates and the comments that were received. The board members who are leaving will also mentioned and Sean introduced.

Show a slide of the finances and the membership totals and comment on them.

How to join PSO with information on the link to the website.

Talk up the Journal and Newsletter. Describe how they are two of the best birding organization publications and are one of the benefits of membership in PSO.

List why someone should become a member of PSO.

Show a list of the Committees and emphasize that any PSO member can join a committee. Note in particular the Breeding Bird Blitz for Conservation. Note: The committees need to be updated on the website.

Include the short notes from the student scholarship winners describing what work they have been doing over the summer.

Program for the Evening and Breakout Rooms – David

David will be the moderator for the program. A link will be provided so that if someone wishes to make a donation to the Finch Research Project they can click on it and be taken to the website to do so. He
will also describe the breakout rooms prior to the program so that people don’t leave right after the program. He will describe how to get to the breakout rooms and how to get back to the main room and how to join another room if someone wants to. Breakout rooms will be open for one hour. Moderators have been assigned for all of the breakout rooms except photography.

A reminder about the meeting should be sent to people who registered the day before the meeting. It was decided to ask Emily Thomas to do this.

The meeting ended at 7:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Higbee, Secretary