



## FLORIDA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY Conservation Committee

Board of Directors GoToMeeting  
August 12, 2017  
9:30am

Submitted by Juliet Rynear, Conservation Chair

**Date: 8/7/2017**

**Chair:** Juliet Rynear

**Vice Chair:** Annie Schmidt

**Members:**

Linda Duever, Dr. Susan Carr, Steve Woodmansee, Dave Feagles, Jackie Rolly, Scott Davis, Richard Moyroud, Rosalind Rowe, Steve Dickman, Dr. Alan Franck, Dr. Shirley Denton, Jude Simpson, Jim Buckner, Todd Angel, Mike Jenkins, Margitta Claterbos, Jane Pope, Molly Taylor, Candace Arnold, Ann Johnson, Dr. Loran Anderson, Leigh Brooks, Dr. Amir Khoddamzadeh, Theresa Lutz, and David George.

**Subcommittee for Dan Austin Award for Ethnobotany:** Chris Lockhart, Winnie Said, Dr. Amir Khoddamzadeh, and Kristine Stewart.

**Asclepias listing proposal**

- Based on statewide occurrence mapping, Scott Davis, Marlene Rodak, Kara Driscoll and Juliet are ready to propose that the Florida endemic *Asclepias feayi*, be listed as endangered.

**Peninsular Florida Landscape Conservation Cooperative (PFLCC)**

- Juliet Rynear, Susan Carr, and Anne Cox attended the Connectivity webinar on July 25, 2017.

**Status of the Castle Hill rescue/fundraising**

- We are still waiting for the landowner's signature. Juliet has touched base with the landowner's attorney several times and the answer is the same.

**Marion County developments (4,000+ acres)**

- Greg Ballinger let us know that the 3,470-acre development as it was proposed to the county was not approved by county commissioners. They will likely be back soon with another proposal. Juliet will keep working on survey permission with the developers.

**Dan Austin Award for Ethnobotany**

- The announcement and application for 2018 are currently available on the FNPS website:  
[http://www.fnps.org/assets/pdf/awards/dan\\_austin\\_award\\_guidlelines\\_final.pdf](http://www.fnps.org/assets/pdf/awards/dan_austin_award_guidlelines_final.pdf)

## **US Fish & Wildlife Service – Florida Rare Plant Conservation Endowment (FRPCE)**

The first telephonic meeting between the Temporary Board (TB) and Andy Walker, President and CEO of the Fish & Wildlife Foundation of Florida (FWFF) took place on July 17<sup>th</sup>. The TB had a phone conference to review the meeting and scheduled another phone meeting for August 9<sup>th</sup> after the TB has had another chance to review all of the proposals again.

About FFWF: <http://www.fishwildlifeflorida.org/about-us/>

Andy Walker, President and CEO, who acts as the chief fund raiser, is a 28-year veteran of The Nature Conservancy and Bat Conservation International and has raised more than \$100 million in private and \$775 million in public funds over the course of his career.