Mammal Images Library Committee

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Mission:

The Mammal Images Library (MIL) maintains a collection now totaling more than 1600 images of mammals representing about 800 species. High-resolution images are available at a nominal charge for educational purposes. Most images in our collection also may be used as illustrations for non-profit or commercial purposes depending on restrictions specified by contributors. Additional information about the Mammal Images Library, including contact information for contributors, ordering information, and a complete listing of holdings, is available in our catalog and on the ASM web site at: http://www.mammalogy.org/imagelibrary/index.html.

Information Items:

(1) The focus of the MIL committee continues to be the sale of individual images and special series. In 2006, we shipped 82 images. This figure is a decrease from 2005 but does not include images downloaded from the ASM web site. Income from sales of images and catalogs in 2006 was \$710.00, an increase of \$143.35 from total income for 2005. Expenses in 2006 totaled \$5975.59 for an asset change of \$5265.59. Our checking account balance as of 31 Dec 2006 was \$9200.21. A summary report for 2006 and signed copies of the Business Report were sent to the Treasurer's office.

(2) The library is digitized at a resolution of 4000 dpi. A preview of each image is available on the MIL web page. These images are free to download and, at 96 dpi, are suitable for projection or web use.

(3) CDs containing the web-based version of the library were mailed to patron members. CDs are available to life members upon request.

(4) We continue work to update images with nomenclature to match the 3rd edition of Wilson and Reeder (2005).

(5) We continue to accession images from the Richard Van Gelder estate.

(6) Many taxa are still absent or poorly represented in our library. We encourage all interested parties to look through our catalog or electronic listing and contribute your high quality images to the library. Persons interested in submitting images should contact the new committee chair, R. Rehmeier.

(7) The committee thanks Fort Hays State University for supporting the Business Office of the Mammal Images Library and for funding student support.

Action Items: None

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