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Vice-President John Pierce called the meeting to order with a request to help with bird tours at the Marine Discovery Center. Then, he welcomed new members.

Lamont Ingalls introduced the guest speaker, Hyun Jung who spoke about her research with students in the Indian River Lagoon and Halifax River to improve the water quality. A potential solution is to plant living shorelines; however, most Floridians desire the manicured lawn look.

During the business meeting, Gail Dombroski reported a good count at Christmas of 135 species. Also, she mentioned "Know Your Island" meeting in Esther Park February 13.

Financial report from Bill Cox of \$1724.16 which included a \$100 donation from former member Ken Gunn.

Conservation report from Lamont Ingalls noted a new government office for research with a science officer, bill to ban fracking, a provision for plants 2.5 million for Everglades restoration.

The VP asked for attendance to discuss science projects at schools volunteers to judge the \$100 prize awards, Saturday January 26.

Marcia Cox spoke enthusiastically about her Disappearing Island visit. Then, she noted the Palm Coast Birding Festival at Palm Coast with field trips and photography, Feb. 11 for \$20.

She and her husband provided the refreshments.

There were nineteen people in attendance.

Submitted by Jackie H. Myers, Canadian Snowbird secretary.