

FWCP Minutes September 15, 2021

Present: S. Nesper, L. Arnold, C. Weis, J. Mathews, N. Wenning, G. Dean, S. Frankforther, G. Box

Meeting called to order at 3:03 pm.

EXECUTIVE:

1. D. Newlove is taking a six month leave of absence.
2. August minutes were accepted as written, 1st motion: J. Mathews, 2nd motion: N. Wenning
3. Treasurer's Report:
 - Total Balance: \$185,660.17
 - Operating Balance: \$32,758.68
 - Unrestricted Balance: \$47,874.65
 - Restricted Balance: \$39,429.16
 - Levy: \$11,057.98
 - Report accepted with 1st motion: S. Frankforther, 2nd motion: G. Dean.

COMMITTEES:

1. Membership/Neon One: Once we have more with Neon One, we will have more training, and more to report.
2. Birdseed Sale: There are 2 weeks left, and we have 22 orders so far.
3. Photo: The calendar is on its way to printing; there is a meeting on Friday to finish the work up on the final proof for that. They are also planning on a Photo Exhibit in November.

DIRECTOR'S:

1. N. Munger: There were not a lot of seasonal employees, so things have been slow to get done.
 - a. SET has a lot of vines; they have found a mechanical way to cut them that will be arriving soon.
 - b. Bricks will be coming out soon.
 - c. N. Munger will be having surgery and out for a while; back in October.
2. J. Sands: Safety Day is this weekend.
 - a. Wood County Fair was not as great of a turnout for us as before, but we don't have exact numbers.
 - b. We have a lot of fall programs.
 - c. Is anyone willing to help sell the fall plants at the Harvest Farm Fest? R. McLaughlin, S. Nesper, N. Wenning. They will have a Zoom meeting with S. Jennings
 - d. Will put out a press release for the Little Library.
3. J. Witter: Looking for volunteers for Harvest Farm Fest

- a. There is going to be art programs with Emma.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Name tags have been given to the new members.
2. Little Library is installed at Cedar Creeks and registered. It has already been visited, and books borrowed. It could always use more book donations.
3. Annual Fall Membership Meeting is cancelled on October 17th.
4. Working on the Strategic Plan—J. Mathews, R. McLaughlin, and C. Weis. Is anyone else interested?

NEW BUSINESS:

1. We should have an application for Trustees to join, spelling out what is expected, then interview with an executive board member. Samples have been passed out to look at.
2. J. Mathews is interested in writing a monthly (or so) online newsletter. He already writes our twice-a-year printed newsletter. He would get our naturalists and park director to contribute.
 - a. He will send a sample of what he would write to the Board Members for us to check out. 1st motion: J. Mathews, 2nd motion: G. Box
3. The Photo Committee is unable to get Four Corners for their annual Photo Exhibit anymore. They will be holding it at W.W. Knight this year, but in order to display the photos, are looking to purchase a display wall for this year's, as well as future exhibits. The walls can be stored at W.W. Knight, and N. Munger has also said that these walls can be used by Park staff members for other functions. The Board has approved the purchase of two 8'6" walls at \$1,099.00 apiece. 1st motion: N. Wenning, 2nd motion: G. Box.
4. We have a person interested in becoming a trustee sitting in at our meeting, Lynn Huber.
5. There is another grant opportunity sent to us from the BG Community Foundation for up to \$5,000; we could use this to get more AEDs for the Park Police. J. Sands and S. Nesper will pursue this. The deadline is December 1st.
6. C. Weis brought up the idea of using Photo Contest photos to make notecards to use for our Thank Yous, as the cost is minimal. She suggested making some samples for the Board Members to look at.

Next meeting at HQ on Wednesday, October 20th, 2021 at 3:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 4:29 pm, 1st motion: J. Mathews, 2nd motion: C. Weis

1.50 hour

Respectfully Submitted,
Stephanie Nesper