



**Space Coast Regional Friends Group - FMNP**

**Board Meeting Minutes – July 15, 2021  
Virtual on ZOOM (due to COVID-19 outbreak)**

**Officers Present:**

Deborah Heystek - President  
Tara Miller – Treasurer  
Holly Abeels -Chapter Facilitator

**6:00 PM Call Meeting to Order**

**Minutes of Last Meeting:**

June meeting minutes approved.

**Financial Report:**

Checking Balance	\$2,908.95
Savings Balance	\$110.58
Profit/loss	\$205.00 (for the year)

Membership:

2 Final notice  
1 new member  
70 total members

**Old Business**

- Catherine Vecchio has notified Kerri that she has reconsidered her offer to serve as chapter President-Elect (and as President next year).

**New Business**

- Board Member vacancies: Ivan Green has volunteered to serve as our new Treasurer. Tara will move to Secretary. However, we need to identify a willing volunteer to serve as our President-Elect. Deborah suggested that we articulate this need to all members prior to the August Quarterly meeting via email and then raise it again during the

Quarterly meeting. Without a volunteer the next step will be to announce at the final Quarterly meeting in November that the chapter is in peril and may need to dissolve for lack of officer volunteers.

- Deb has been working on a venue for the August Quarterly meeting. The MRC Lagoon House is not available on Thursday, August 12<sup>th</sup>. Although it would be great to team with the MRC for this meeting (and speaker), moving the meeting to the weekend would introduce additional complications: asking our speaker to re-schedule for that date, asking our members to give up weekend time, and abandoning our concept of a “pot-luck” event to help members get to know each other. As a result, the Board decided to hold our Quarterly meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup> at the UF Extension Service office in Cocoa, FL.
- We will hold a raffle event during the Quarterly meeting: each SCRC member who brings 1-10 plastic bottle tops or aluminum pull tabs will receive one (1) raffle ticket. Each SCRC member who brings >10 plastic bottle tops or aluminum pull tabs will receive two (2) raffle tickets.
- Deb will purchase a raffle prize worth up to \$20 for this event.
- In addition to name tags (Deb has these), we will now need raffle tickets for the Quarterly meeting.
- We need a volunteer to assemble the ice breaker questions to help people get acquainted. **(Kerri?)**
- Deb will draft an email announcing the Quarterly meeting and need for volunteer(s).
- Loxahatchee River canoe/kayak trip: only 5 members have signed up for this trip.

#### **Update on current and upcoming FMNP Classes**

Brevard County is planning for in person classes in the Fall.

Marine Habitat Restoration will be offered as a virtual course at the end of July.

Habitat Evaluation will be offered in September.

Uplands will be offered in October.

New Course - Invasive plants will be offered in December.

**Meeting Adjourned at 6:30 p.m.**

**Next Meeting Date Thursday, August 12th, 6:00 p.m. In Person.**

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*President – Deb Heystek President Elect – vacant*

*Past President – Kerri Lubeski Secretary – Tara Miller Treasurer – Ivan Green*

*Chapter Facilitator - Holly Abeels, Florida Sea Grant Agent*