



Space Coast Regional Chapter of the Florida Master Naturalist Program
Officers Meeting
January 6, 2016 3:00-5:00pm
UF/IFAS Extension Brevard County Office

Officers Present:

Cris Wagner - Past President
Karen Rann - Treasurer
Kerri Lubeski - Secretary

Facilitators Present: Holly Abeels

3pm Call to Order- Karen

Minutes of Last Meeting: December 2, 2015 Meeting minutes were approved.

Old Business

Financial

Reviewed financials, monthly account statement submitted by Karen to be included with minutes.

Currently \$460.97 in operating account and \$115 in savings account (comprised of 1 Archbold payment and scholarship funds, all earmarked).

Discussed process for application to become 501 c3 as well as become Incorporated; would need to modify by-laws to add section for signatures of Board; not currently pursuing either status due to limited funds.

Plan to move forward by consulting with Chris Ely at upcoming Committees' Meeting or other time convenient for her regarding formation of a non-profit and assistance with legal navigation.

Membership

No changes to current number of members since the document was uploaded to Google Docs with their contact information.

Committees' Meeting

Cris will bring posters from Brainstorming session and create worksheet for members to use.

Worksheet will include dates to consider when planning future meetings, information from Brainstorming posters, and space for writing in elected Chairs and meeting dates/time.

Holly will send an email reminder to add to the memo/event reminder to please feel free to bring dinner/snacks; only refreshments (Cris to bring coffee & cookies)

Holly to arrive by 5pm on January 14 to set up room for the meeting.

Archbold Field Excursion Update

8 individuals signed up for Archbold, includes members and nonmembers

1 paid

Agenda as designed by Greg Hendricks was approved by all present.

Volunteer Resource Sheet

Cris will email various organizations within the Chapter's region regarding their needs for volunteers. She will post a form letter in Google Docs and DropBox to be used by all Board Members or Committees to contact additional organizations regarding their needs for help that Members of the Chapter can provide.

Cris will compile responses into a Resource Sheet organized by county and by facility, which will be made available on the SCRC website and promoted at the Feb 11 Chapter meeting.

New Business

Brandon emailed the application for a booth at Pelican Island Festival on March 12th. The Chapter would like a presence at this event, and will motion for approval at the Committees' Meeting. Karen will send in application once approved.

SCRC will not have a table at the SC Birding Fest, however Bert will provide SCRC and FMNP flyers to be available at the information table at the festival.

Bert & Cris will present the benefits of becoming a member of the SCRC at the Wetlands module they are attending at Riverwalk during the course.

Karen will compile the current module offerings in our region and reach out to instructors for dates they would like a member to come by and speak to the class.

Cris will update Facebook with the upcoming modules.

Cris will contact Dr. Witherington again regarding upcoming Chapter meeting, and reach out to additional groups (Frog Watch, Blue Tube, Litter Quitter) about speaking at future meetings as well. Speakers for the February 11th meeting will need to be confirmed before the end of January.

Kerri will follow up with Charlie regarding KSC's Earth Day event and how our Chapter can participate/help.

Kerri will contact Martha at Sam's House regarding the Chapter's participation in Pioneer Day on February 13, 2016.

Meeting Adjourn 4:50pm.