



Space Coast Regional Chapter of the Florida Master Naturalist Program
Officers' Meeting

October 12, 2016 3:00-4:30pm

UF IFAS Extension Brevard County, 3695 Lake Drive, Cocoa, FL 32926

Officers Present:

Bert Alm - President Elect
Karen Rann – Treasurer
Greg Hendricks - President

Facilitators Present:

Holly Abeels – Florida Sea Grant Extension Agent

Meeting start at 3:05pm.

Minutes of Last Meeting:

Minutes from September meeting sent to BOD by Holly. Both August and September meeting minutes were approved.

Old Business

Financial:

Account balance as of 9-30-16
Savings Account \$60.05
Checking Account \$654.75
Total \$714.80

Membership total: 57

1 new member added, Gene Small.

Karen will work on creating a membership renewal form. The form will be emailed to members and be available at the membership meeting in November. Karen will email to membership via our Gmail. Greg will send Kathie Benson an email asking her to clarify her membership since we never received a membership form or payment from her and she is not in our records.

FDACS state registration renewal is completed.

Scholarship Selection

BOD will review 2 scholarship applications and decide on which one should receive scholarship.

Cris Wagner said that she would donate her existing scholarship funds.

Greg will contact Michael Lee about his offer to donate his existing scholarship funds.

If we receive both Cris' and Michael's scholarship funds, then we could offer 2 scholarships.

Scholarship winner will be presented at the membership meeting in November. Holly will create a certificate to be presented to the winner.

Fall Annual Meeting

Speaker Replacement suggestions

Dwayne DeFreese – Holly will check with him first

FWC Coyotes & Black Bears – Greg will talk with

Blair Witherington (new job at Disney) – 3rd choice

Kate Mansfield – 4th choice

Put item on agenda for Brandon to talk about his Nature's Classroom – Karen will touch base with him

Put item on agenda for members to talk about what they are up to related to FMNP or other volunteer work.

Activities and Events Update

Florida Oceanographic Society on October 14th. People registered will pay their own \$12 admission when arrive. Cris is emailing registrants Thursday night.

It was decided not to have any other planned activities for 2016 since this time of year is busy for so many.

Exhibit Update

Holly will double check materials, brochures and such and print out copies of last President's Update to be included in box. Greg will pick up the outreach box on October 21st for 1st Annual Harvest Festival at Enchanted Forest on October 22nd.

Status of New Officer Nominations

Holly will email Ivan about nominations. Need President-Elect and Secretary (Kerri has offered to run again). Can we have names for next board meeting?

Location for February/Winter Membership Meeting

Holly will email Christine Kelly (CED) at Indian River Extension office to see if we can have our meeting there. Other locations to consider are USFWS Field Office in Vero Beach and Barrier Island Center in Melbourne Beach.

Education and Outreach Update

1st Harvest Festival, Enchanted Forest Sanctuary, Titusville, October 22nd, 11am-4pm
Greg will get us signed up. Holly will set up sign-up genius.

Indian River Lagoon Day, Front Street Park, Melbourne, November 12th, 10am-2pm
Karen will get us signed up. She'll check with Brandon. Karen will set up sign-up genius.

Hoot in the Park, Wickham Park, Melbourne, November 19th, 10am-2pm
Bert will get us signed up and set up sign-up genius.

Ocean, Reef, and Beach Festival, Pelican Beach Park, Satellite Beach, December 3rd, 9:30am-5pm
Holly registered us and set up sign-up genius already.

Other Topics:

Master Naturalist classes to go visit to talk about chapter:

Greg will get with Chad Truxall at MDC about his Coastal Class in October-November.

Orange County Uplands class, Oakland Nature Preserve. Bert will contact about going to speak. Karen is a backup.

Environmental Interpretation in November. Bert will be in the class and will speak.

Seminole County Wildlife Monitoring Course in October 21, 22, 23. Bert will contact to see about presenting.

Discuss at next BOD meeting possibly having the chapter sponsor a BlueTube (\$125 and get our logo on the tube).

Meeting adjourned at 4:40pm.

Next BOD Meeting November 2, 2016, 3:00pm location at the Cocoa IFAS Extension Office.