



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

November 2, 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

Cris Wagner – Past President

Facilitators Present:

Holly Abeels – Florida Sea Grant Extension Agent

Brandon Smith – Environmental Program Supervisor

Meeting start at 3:07pm.

Minutes of Last Meeting:

Karen motioned to accept October meeting minutes. Minutes approved.

Old Business

Financial:

Account balance as of 10-31-16

Savings Account \$60.05

Checking Account \$689.12

Total \$749.17

Membership total: 57

Karen updated list for signup genius and google document form. Karen will update Gmail group contact list.

Standard Operating Procedures

Each board member document standard operating procedure for each member of the board.

Karen worked on creating a membership renewal email. The form will be emailed to members and be available at the membership meeting in November. Karen will email to membership via our Gmail.

Scholarship Selection

Karen made motion to give scholarships to both applicant 1 and applicant 2. Scholarships are donated by Cris Wagner and Mike Lee. Seconded by Bert. Motion passed. Cris will let Jolyn Rozzo and Logan Rohrbach know that they won the scholarship and invite them to attend the membership meeting. Holly will work on a certificate for each recipient.

Chapter Activities and Events

Upcoming events are Indian River Lagoon Day, Hoot in the Park, ORB Festival. All events are up on sign up genius. Encourage members at membership meeting to sign up to man the booth. Need to look at getting our own table, cart, and pop-up canopy. Karen will look at prices for these 3 items. She will email board with prices and request purchasing items.

Discuss at membership meeting about someone sponsoring or being the lead for Pioneer Day on February 11th at Sam's House.

Keep a look at for events in 2017. FMSEA annual conference, May 6th in St Augustine.

Start thinking more about conservation type events where we try to do something at least once a quarter. Choose an organization or group that we can get involved with to help with conservation events (ex. Beach cleanups, oyster mat making, adopt a beach, etc). Bert will follow up with Allison at KBB about adopt a beach.

Proposed Dates for 2017 Quarterly Meetings fall in line with our current 2nd Thursday evening quarterly.

Bert would like to add Indigo Conservation Center as an educational field excursion for chapter members. Adding Central Florida Zoo as well that day.

Status of New Officer Nominations

CJ Jones as President-Elect.

Holly will talk with Greg and Ellen about her interest in Secretary. Asked her about being put on the ballot. Confirm with Kerri that she still has an interest.

Holly will send ballot to members via surveymonkey.

Fall Annual Meeting

Tom Shupe will be the speaker for the fall meeting and will speak on "Coyote and their interactions with Florida's wildlife, habitat and people".

Allow time for members to talk about what they are doing or up to as far as volunteer time and conservation work.

Brandon Smith will also spend brief time talking about Nature's Classroom and volunteer needs.

Bert also will talk about KBB adopt a beach cleanup program and possibility of SCRC adopting a beach.

Bert will also mention, remind people, to input volunteer hours so we know that you've done your 5 hours for the chapter. Look into doing volunteer awards at February quarterly meeting.

Everyone please bring snacks to the meeting. Holly will call Love Bugs about donation of donuts and will pick up.

Education and Outreach

1st Harvest Festival, Enchanted Forest Sanctuary, Titusville, October 22nd, 11am-4pm
Successful day with 1,404 in attendance.

Indian River Lagoon Day, Front Street Park, Melbourne, November 12th, 10am-2pm
Karen signed us up and set up sign-up genius.

Hoot in the Park, Wickham Park, Melbourne, November 19th, 10am-2pm
Bert signed us 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.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20pm.

Next BOD Meeting December 7, 2016, 3:00pm location at the Cocoa IFAS Extension Office.