



Space Coast Regional Friends Group - FMNP

Board Meeting Minutes – Feb 6, 2020

Murdocks Southern Bistro, 600 Brevard Ave. Cocoa FL

Officers Present:

Kerri Lubeski - President

Peter Connolly - Past President

Deb Hystek - President Elect

6:00 PM Call Meeting to Order

Kerri

Minutes of Last Meeting:

January Meeting Minutes Approved

Old Business

Financial Report:

Checking Balance \$2,170.86

Savings Balance \$110.49

One Scholarship Awarded to Libby Barwis

Membership Report:

What is the total number of members?

8 Renewals

January 2 people became inactive (1 from New Smyrna Beach)

To date 62% of the members that became inactive were from Volusia County

Website Updates:

Holly has updated the website with September and October 2019 meeting minutes.

Kerri will remind her to update the BOD Officers

February Winter Quarterly Meeting:

Guest Speaker Mark Sees is confirmed for meeting

Kerri will create an agenda for meeting

She will ask for members to send in pictures of their Chapter outings to create a PowerPoint to share at meeting

January Activities:

St. Sebastian River Preserve Hike was enjoyed by those who attended it.

New Business:

New BOD meeting day:

Selection of another possible day to meet for Board Meetings - Due to scheduling conflicts we will be selecting a new day of the week to meet for the monthly BOD meetings. Kerri will email the officers to see what other days of the week work. We are considering the first Tuesday or second Thursday of the month.

Update on current and upcoming FMNP Classes:

New classes for Brevard County are:

Coastal Systems March 21 - May 9th. Registration closes March 16th.

Environmental Interpretation March 6 -14 Registration closes March 2nd.

Marine Habitat Restoration - Dates will be announced in Spring 2020

Pitching Friends Group at FMNP Classes:

Bert Alm Presenting on March 9th to Conradina Florida Native Plant Society (Melbourne)

Upcoming Outreach/Exhibit Events:

Pioneer Day Update on Volunteers Signed Up - Sat. Feb 8th at Sam's House Deb Heystek will be picking up the equipment for the outreach table. We need one more person for the end of day shift. Deb will contact Justin who is the only volunteer for the end of day shift.

Sat. Feb 29th. **North Area Brevard County Parks and Rec Family Camping** Fox Lake Park Invited by Erika Whitt on Jan. 27 The Board decided to not exhibit at this event this year. Kerri will notify Erika Whitt.

Sat. April 4th **Eco Fair and Farmers Market** hosted by Blue Sky Community Garden 7400 N. Wickham Rd. Melbourne Google Maps says this is at Suntree United Methodist Church 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Invited from Ann Cook on Jan. 25 The Board decided not to exhibit at this event this year. Kerri will notify Ann Cook.

Earth Day at the Enchanted Forest Sat. April 18 is a go. We are waiting to receive the invitation.

Turkey Creek Day Sat. May 2nd is a go. We are waiting to receive the invitation.

Update Educational Field Excursions:

Sun. Feb 16th Kissimmee Prairie Preserve State Park 9:30 – 12:30

As of today, 8 RSVP – Peter, Kim, Janet Metz, Roy Vaninetti, Deb, Ivan Green, Kerri

Community Events:

Feb 20th Space Coast Audubon Society The Magic of Moths at Sam's House – Merritt Island Ho

Open Discussion:

March field trip to Orlando Wetlands two dates to consider Sunday, March 22 or Sunday, March 29th. Kerri will send out an email.

Meeting **Adjourned at 7:07 p.m.**

Next Meeting Date TBD

President – Kerri Lubeski *Past President* – Peter Connolly *President Elect* – Deb Heystek

Secretary – John Yuhas *Treasurer* – Tara Miller

Chapter Facilitator - Holly Abeels, Florida Sea Grant Agent