

Space Coast Regional Chapter of the Florida Master Naturalist Program March 1, 2018 Officers' Meeting 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Catherine Schweinsberg Road Central Library, Cocoa

Officers Present:

Bert Alm – Past President Mark Prynoski – President Kerri Lubeski - Secretary Tara Miller – Treasurer Peter Connolly – President-Elect

6:00 p.m. Call to Order from Mark

Old Business

Meetings of February 2018 meeting – minutes approved

Financial & Membership Report

Checking -\$1,111.20 Savings - \$ 110.21 Balance - \$ 1221.32

3 Membership renewals, 1 New Member \$10 Scholarship donation \$8.03 in Amazon Smile donations We may lose 18 members. They have had multiple reminders. 7 people have had 3 reminders but haven't renewed yet. A transaction cost of .63 is accrued when members renew using Paypal. The .63 will not be included in the net.

New Business

Miscellaneous financial matters

Account signer authorization transition is complete. Mark, Peter and Tara are no authorized to perform banking transactions.

Mark will follow up with Space Coast Credit Union regarding a debit card.

Quarterly membership meetings

Spring membership meeting will be held on May 10 at the UF/IFAS Extension Brevard County –Cocoa. We are still brainstorming on guest speakers: Biologist Penny McDonald, Sea Turtle Preservation Society, Brevard Zoo Sea Turtle Rehab, Sea Turtle Walks. Bert will reach out to Brevard Zoo Seat Turtle staff.

Summer membership meeting

Brainstorming on guest speakers. Mark will reach out to Nick Sanzone, City of Satellite Beach for a topic on sustainability and near ocean reef dune build up.

Fall membership meeting

Brainstorming on guest speakers. Bert will reach out to Betty Salter at The Great Outdoors to ask if we can use their facility to host the meeting.

Volusia County FMNP Chapter

Holly has confirmed that Volusia County is not going to form a formal FMNP chapter. They are interested in forming a friends group to go on field trips.

Outreach Events

Pioneer Day Feb 10th – good coverage except for closing shift. Jill is picking up supplies on Monday. Mark will do breakdown. Tara agreed to man booth with Mark during closing shift.

Orlando Wetlands Festival – We are on the vendor list for 2019.

Pelican Island Mar 3rd – Need help with breakdown.

GetConnected April 8th – Event is in motion and will be up on Eventbrite.

Northrop Grumman Earth Day Fair April 17th – Holly will attend. She would like one more person to assist her.

Earth Day at NASA April 18th – signed up already. Just waiting for further information about the event.

Lagoonacy April 21st – Kerri and Bert

Enchanted Forest Earth Day April 21st – want to get signed up

Scheduled Chapter Activities

Nohr Thompson walk was interesting. There were 8 people. John has an interesting property and it did get wet at Nohr Thompson.

Chasing Coral screening on February 2nd. There were 8 people. Next time have the guest speaker present before the screening.

Marine Science Center field trip is scheduled for March 31st from 10am to noon. Shell Webber is tour guide and Bert is coordinating with her. After hike go to lunch right across the street. After that free time for people to do the lighthouse or Marine Science Center. Bert will give Holly information for Eventbrite page.

Bert will contact Indigo Conservation Center and Central Florida Zoo for potential May field trip.

Thousand Island Kayak Trip is still in the works. Mark spoke to Greg Hendricks. Greg is looking kayak and concession prices.

Indigo Conservation Center and Central Florida Zoo is still planned for May.

Hubbs Seaworld Research Institute Tour with Megan Stolen is something we would like to plan for 2018. We are thinking of combining it with a Maritime Forest Walk.

Other Topics/Open Discussion

Kerri brought up the idea of planning a bicycle ride on the newly opened North Brevard 'rail trail' in Titusville. This would be a nice activity in the winter.

Next BOD Meeting: April 5, 6:00pm Catherine Schweinsberg Rood Central Library

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.