

September 24, 2016

Following are the minutes of the membership and Board of Directors meeting of the North Florida Springs Alliance, Mike Stine, president presiding.

Prior to the Board of Directors (BOD) meeting, an annual members meeting as required by the bylaws of NFSA was held, which included the following agenda items:

1. A summary of the past years accomplishments presented by Mike Stine., along with some future goals. These items included highlights from eco day, comments on the advanced skills workshop, the book project, references to the steps at Martz sink, which was a later business item, and mentions of the park at Lafayette Blue Springs request for help with an interpretive trail.
2. A call for nominations for BOD position up for re-election and a replacement for outgoing BOD member Bobby Franklin. BOD members standing for re-election were Jim Womble, Jerry Murphy, and Sandy Robinson. All were re-elected by membership present.

After the conclusion of the membership meeting, a meeting of the BOD was held.

Old Business:

1. The minutes of the December 19, 2015 meeting were approved. These minutes had been previously distributed to BOD members via email. A hard copy was available for anyone who wished to to examine them
2. Copies of the reopr of actions between meeting was distributed to all BOD members and interested membership, and were approved.
3. Treasurer's report: Treasurer did not have the report available, however, did report everything was current and in good order.
4. Fauna report: Kelly reported counts are continuing, we do need to obtain supplies for the hydro labs.
5. Membership report: Sandy gave an update, reported we currently have 148 membership units, which encompass about 183 total members.
6. Mike gave a report on the 9/17/16 trail cleanup.

New Business:

1. BOD held an election of officers for the period between 0924/16 and the next membership meeting. Officers are as follows: Mike Stine, president, Jerry Murphy, vice president, Jim Womble, secretary, and Adam Hughes as treasurer. At large BOD members are Kelly Jessop and Sandy Robinson. We are currently one BOD member short of the seven required to maintain an odd number.

2. President Mike Stine appointed the following to chair positions: Kelly Jessop, fauna count, and Sandy Robinson, membership
3. A motion was offered by Mike Stine and seconded by Sandy Robinson to reimburse Beth Murphy for expenses encountered while traveling to promote books. Motion approved with Jerry Murphy abstaining.
4. A discussion was held regarding updating website, it was determined we needed more information as to how best to accomplish this.
5. A suggested was made that an events committee might be needed for future events to distribute the workload of organization and logistics over more people.
6. A Discussion was held stressing the value of social media in getting information about the NFSA to new people, promoting activities, and generally promoting enthusiasm.
7. A discussion was held concerning 2017 activities, including Eco Day.
8. A discussion was held concerning newsletter software, Beth Murphy gave comments.
9. After discussion regarding costs and work schedule for the removal and replacement of the steps at Martz Sink, a motion was offered by Mike Stine and seconded by Sandy Robinson to approve an amount of \$6000 for the procurement of materials. Mike noted the project has been approved by the DEP, and plans will need to be finalized for scheduling work dates. Funds will be raised via the website and presenting the need on various forums and social media. Motion was approved.
10. Discussion was held regarding an interpretive trail for Lafayette Blue Springs park. It was determined that more research will be required to determine what actually needs to be done, and what levels of support for the project may come from citizens of Lafayette county.
11. A motion was offered by Mike Stine and seconded by Sandy Robinson to purchase a plaque for Bobby Franklin with a statement from the NFSA offering him thanks for his service to the BOD and the organization as a whole. Motion carried.
12. Since we were exhausted, sweaty, and smelled bad, and there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.