

October 2012 Agenda

FOYC

Present: Jessie Sexton, Ken Sherwood, Vicki Shank, Cindy Rogers

Announcements

Co-chairs

- 2+ FOYC representatives needed: PPF Retreat, 11/10/12 Prince Gallitzin (Volunteer recruitment, Creative fundraising, Board development, Effective Advocacy) PPF is really trying to get Friends to come to a retreat at Prince Gallitzin. It is free on 11/10/12. Vicki said she might be able to go. Ken B. was signed up last time. Jessie said she might be able to go. Ken S will send out an e-mail to ask if anyone else might be interested.
- Park director forced to resign by DCNR; speculation that his opposition to mineral development in parks the reason: <http://bit.ly/WR3mTs> Just FYI at this time – nothing for us to do at this time.

Treasurers report:

Vicki reported Beginning balance when she started was:

She met with Denise She had \$610.00 in map, 1,157.00 fire wood, \$50 for T-shirt, 60.00 washer and dryer, \$59.00 tide, \$30.00 vol dinner – 1,976.00 deposited. Then for Sept fest made \$149.25 in firewood, \$20.00 more for or firewood. \$429 food, 120.00 for map, membership 150.00 Totals – 6, 021.81 is our balance minus the \$5,000.00 (project money) we have, around after paying an outstanding invoice, about \$5,000.00.

Park Manager's Report - Ken B. –Ken B sent Ken S a report. There is someone in charge as acting director.

Boating Report IUP people have been sailing a lot.

Cycling Report

New trail built – one mile – two bridges had to be built. They bought materials and hope to be reimbursed. Total was \$242.34 Vicki asked that we reimburse them for that cost. Those present agreed that they should be reimbursed.

CHC Report

Old Business

Septemberfest - review of 2012

This year:

- Scavenger hut went great, there was a van of books that the kids liked with a story reading.
- We did raise some money, things went well. There were about 100-200 people. More than last year.
- Food – maybe change the prices on baked goods or increase the amount. Pop prices maybe should be 50 cents not a dollar for a can. Coffee went well. Amount of food was well planned – not many hotdogs, hamburgers or pizza left. We sold 2 cases of water.

For next year:

Tourist Bureau could help more.

Do we want to pay for advertizing? – IE paper or radio spot.

Public transport that day – We wanted the trolley but Tourist Bureau was not able to do it this year even to share the expense.

Pat Scalon:

- We should have recycling bin especially for cans
- Can the pizza be kept warm through out the day?
- How can we expand attendance

Ken B:

- Since it is a fundraiser we should plug it at every event.
- If we had more events maybe we could get more people – we had mostly boating and bikes. If families were not interested in those two there was nothing else to do other than music. Why not hay rides, wood carving, apple cider making.
- Also would like to see fireworks.
- Jessie suggested beach volley ball, flag football game, or badmitten.
- Vicki mentioned crafts again: venders could bring own table and set up for free. That would be a draw for people looking to buy crafts.
- A car show – antique cars or tractors
- All agreed that we need to begin earlier.
- Can we get groups to sponsor and run events or activities IE Boy scouts, The YMCA, Gingerbread store for a race, etc...If we could do that it gets more people involved and here.
- On team events we could get sing ups – there could be a fee then we would need a prize.
- Other suggestions: pumpkin carving, apple bobbing,
- Should we move the date up to earlier? That was discussed at length in past years. Change from Saturday to a Sunday?
- Can we contact Tom Fetterman and /or Gingerbread Store to see if they can do the 5K race for us on the 28th or if not that weekend – when?

- TU will try and do fly tying and demos next year.
- Whatever we do

Membership:

Jessie asked what the benefits of being a member are? At this point – just to help the park. Maybe we could give a discount for a boat rental, a free map or a t-shirt, or a discount on a map. If we give discounts we need a membership card to go out when people join. We also discussed how we are doing memberships, January to January, July to July, when they join to when they join? We need to discuss this more... We could also put their names in for a drawing for a free cabin weekend. Vicki will ask Lisa if they track memberships and if they ask for renewals. We may want to ask someone on the board to track memberships, send business cards, and ask people to renew. Jessie said she would try and do the membership.

Firewood: Vicki wondered that when the park cuts trees, why couldn't we cut it up and use it for fire wood. It would save us a lot of money. We will ask Ken at the next meeting.

***To do:

Ken will check on the race and biking possibilities then ask everyone to really look at the items above and at the next meeting start making decisions and set the date.

Ken to send out an e-mail about the scrap clean up.

Vicki to check on the race dates.

Vicki will check with the "Y" to see if they would be willing to help organize activities.

Once we get the date set we can move forward with more planning.

New Business

Scrap metal recovery - possible dates: Wednesdays: 11/7 10am; 11/7 noon or 11/14 10am; 11/14 noon. No preference was expressed at the meeting so We will go with the 7th at 10:00 am.

Vicki said we need to get our own checking account. We could set it up with PNC or the bank in GE. It would be a petty cash account and have 100-1,000 in it. All present agreed. As we spend it we ask for money and they send it to replace what we spent. Ken and Vicki signed the papers tonight to set up the account.

Jessie offered an idea for a fundraiser – a "Haunted trail" walk .around October.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, 11/14 (7pm)