

Minutes for 1000 Islands Environmental Center Committee Meeting on Thursday, February 16, 2023

Members Present: Breitzman, Carlson, Eggleston, Hietpas, Pautz, Van Berkel and White

Not Present: Gertz, Jakel, Manion and Nowak

Also Present: Maureen Feldt and Brad Garrity

Chair, Pautz called the February Committee Meeting to order at 6:31 PM. A quorum is present.

January 19, 2023 Committee Meeting Minutes

Carlson made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes and approve the January 19, 2023 Committee Meeting minutes. Seconded by Breitzman. Motion carried.

Public Appearances: None

January Financial Report

Eggleston made a motion to accept and put on file the January Financial Report. Seconded by Van Berkel. Motion carried.

Endowment Summary: Eggleston made a motion to table the Endowment Summary until the March Committee Meeting. Seconded by Van Berkel. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Another memorial donation was received in memory of Michaeline Steffens. A donation was made in honor of Phil & Maryann DeBruin by Joan McGinnis Hue. Squirrel feeders were donated by the Landreman's and 14 bird houses were donated to the gift shop by Marv Braun. Field Guide books on Mammals and Birds were donated by Suzanne Klein.

Friends of 1000 Islands Report

Sugar Bush: Started tapping trees last week and have already collected sap. We are implementing a new filter press this year that will streamline the process and produce clearer syrup. Additional discussion on future goals of the sugar bush program.

Art Fair: Vendor applications were sent out early January and we have approximately 20 vendors signed so far. Our goal is to have 50 artists.

Naturalist's Report

Carlson made a motion to accept the January Naturalist's Report and place it on file. Seconded by Breitzman. Motion carried.

Admin and Finance Sub-Committee

Nothing to report.

Education Sub-Committee

Eagle Days: Review of Eagle Day visitor statistics and noted how far people travel to come to this event. All three live Eagle presentation were well attended and the Library had a larger than normal crowd for their live birds of prey presentation by W.O.W. The Friends made \$371 on the Food Stand.

Buildings and Grounds Sub-Committee

Site Manager, Brad Garrity gave an overview of the new flooring being installed this week and he is taking the opportunity to paint several walls while exhibit displays are moved out of the way. Completion will be this weekend.

Old Business

Nothing to report.

New Business

Nothing to report.

Good for the Center

Nothing to report.

Next Committee Meeting

Next Committee Meeting will be on Thursday, March 16, 2023 at 6:30 PM.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Carlson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 PM. Seconded by White. Motion carried.

Maureen Feldt,
Acting Secretary