



The meeting of the Board of Directors of the *Friends of Mildred Kanipe Memorial Park Association, Inc.*) was called to order at 10:10 a.m., December 10, 2010 in the Lane House Annex. Present were board members John Robertson, Midge McGinnis, Karen Roberson, Deb Gray, Debbie Levings and Leslye Wing. Absent board member was Jannelle Wilde. Also present were: Steve Kennerly and Ray Jensen.

AGENDA ITEMS – OLD BUSINESS

Orchard Projects –

Since Celia was not present, we don't have any updates on the grafting project she's working on. Debbie Levings is going to do some cuttings. Still waiting for the perfect time to take them. Suggested she touch base with Celia since they both have a similar interest.

Grants and English Settlement School House Project –

Steve asked Midge to update the Material Donation form to include a pre-typed title on it. Done and emailed back to Steve.

Karen suggested that Steve stop by her house sometime in the next few weeks and pick Clay's brain. Steve needs a project plan and Clay probably has one that Steve could utilize. We'll definitely be needing this.

Steve's been working some companies in hopes of obtaining donations of materials/labor...Beckleys (sp?) for gravel, Roseburg Forest Products for plywood, Knife River (Karen asked that Steve tell her when he sends a letter to them and she'll be happy to follow up with a phone call to them as she knows them).

Culvert will probably have to be replaced so Steve will be talking to Jim Dowd regarding the county and parks involvement in having this done.

Replacement of SignBoards at Day Use Area –

Everyone was in favor of doing this. Suggested though that we really want to upgrade them, not just replace them. Deb Gray suggested that Midge contact the parks department to see if they had any 'standards' that we should keep in mind and to get

‘approval’ to move on this. Midge has sent an email to Katrina with these questions and a request that Jim call her if necessary.

Wood instead of the corex for the backs of the signs was agreed on. Debbie Levings suggested that we contact Jeff Havener (the log doner) as he apparently does sign work. Leslye has volunteered to join Midge in any discussions with Jeff. We have all the text and pictures (thanks to Lois), so we don’t have to reinvent anything...just get it laid out nicely on signs.

Newspaper Articles – Grants –

Jannelle was not present so we did not get an update. Midge has left a voicemail for her as well as sending her an email to get an update. It was also suggested that we get something in the Cottage Grove paper...that one was missed! Midge will see if she can get a contact name/email.

Trail Dash –

Leslye is already thinking about this project and will be asking for assistance from local printer/graphic designer to design a poster. Also gave her the name of the company that did our Living History Day poster. She is hoping to get a few \$100 sponsors that will have their names on the poster. Jannelle volunteered that she’d try and drum up some sponsors, recommended we send Steve out looking ☺...he did such a good job last year of reeling them in! Ray Jensen (Hiking Club) was in attendance and he has also volunteered to help out this year.

Web Site – Members Only Section –

This idea was not recommended. Would entail a lot of work, passwords and most felt it might actually alienate people. Midge suggested is as she felt members really didn’t get anything more than anyone else does because everything is on the web site. Others felt that the warm and fuzzy feeling members get as a result of their support should be plenty ☺.

NEW BUSINESS

Hiking Trail Signs –

Ray Jensen has seen the wooden trail directional signs the Parks Department did for the Hiking and Nature trails and he is very, very pleased with them! Hopes to get them mounted soon.

We offered up some of the cedar logs that we received if he needs them for any of the trail work.

Ray is also working on getting some benches made for the trails – 3 for the nature trail and 1 for the hiking trail.

He has decided that trying to cut a nice trail to the school house might be in vain due to the cattle. So he's holding off on that.

Concerned about keeping the trails mowed...asked that if we have any input with the parks department, could we mention it come spring time that those trails really need to be mowed if possible. We'll sure try to put a good word in for him and the trails!

Ray had previously asked about getting our help with a trail map. Midge asked that he send her and Leslye another copy and we'll see what we can do about getting some nice maps (electronic copy) to post on the web and send back to Ray for him to get printed and posted at the park.

Ray is also trying to drum up some assistance from the Native Plant society to get some trees planted on the Hiking Trail. Suggestions made as to where to find some 'free' trees as well as organizations that might help with the planting.

OET/Friends Joint Work Party –

Leslye has a contact (Charleen Neves- who helped clear the old fence posts with her several weeks ago) at OET. Suggestion has been made that when OET does their annual trail clean up in the spring that we pitch in and join them...making it a joint effort. Should be in the March time frame. All agreed this would be a great idea.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Next Meeting will be on **January 28, 2010** at Lane County House Annex in Roseburg at 10:00 a.m.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:45 a.m.