



The meeting of the Board of Directors of the *Friends of Mildred Kanipe Memorial Park Association, Inc.* was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, April 12, 2013 in the Lane House Annex. Present were board members John Robertson, Celia Scott, Midge McGinnis, Steve Kennerly, Karen Roberson and Leslye Wing. Debbie Levings and Deb Gray were unable to attend (Deb Gray checked in via phone prior to meeting (Midge)). Mike Burke was present. Mike McCarty stopped by to review 4th Annual Mildred's Trail Dash plans. One guest from Native Plant Society, M.A. Hanson.

AGENDA ITEMS

Park Plan

John Robertson, Midge McGinnis, Karen Roberson and Leslye Wing attended the Friday 'Public Meeting'. Pretty good turnout and group was enthusiastic about the project. Bill Swift (Park Advisory Board) gave a great impromptu inspirational speech. Cispus and Gary Groth did a fantastic job.

Leslye Wing, as our representative, attended the full day work meeting the following day. She said she feels comfortable that they are being given enough time to create a good plan. Also that decisions relating to the park are no longer mandated by Mildred's will, but by the Judgement. There will be a web page on the County Website that will contain minutes, etc. In the meantime, some information (including the trust 'judgement') can be found on the mildredkanipepark.org web site. She may need some help now and then from the rest of us. Deb Gray has volunteered to do what she can from home. Leslye should let her know what she needs done.

Mildred's Trail Dash

Mike McCarty stopped by with a sample t-shirt (high tech version vs. cotton). Leslye had also stopped by Paramount (new vendor). She got a price of \$8 per shirt plus \$.75 extra per color, per shirt. Extra large will be \$1.50 more, but we only order those by request.

Mike also swung a deal on the ribbons and awards!! Donated by Valerie at Barney's Trophys. THANK YOU MIKE!

Leslye took 'box' of supplies home to determine what we might need. Will get bib numbers from Road ID again if necessary.

Reviewed list of sponsors and divided up who will go where. Donation/Sponsor forms are on the web site as well as the informational sheet. Leslye has the list of previous sponsors and who signed up for which ones. She's also added some new ones after seeing the sample t-shirt Mike brought ☺. We all have a few to get and as in the past...GO STEVE! (our number one sponsor getter! ☺)

Mike will distribute the information sheets up in Eugene in the next couple of weeks and he's already got the event on various web sites. Wants to hit the schools/colleges before they close for the summer.

We will do the silent auction again this year.

Grants/Windows

We have been in contact with Debbie Levings and hopefully she'll be back with us in the not too distant future. In the meantime, Steve is holding the grant fort down and Debbie has asked him to give her some 'homework' to do to help out.

We were able to get a small extension on the Preserving Oregon grant...but only until the end of June. Amy McAuley has been advised of the drop dead deadline so that we can submit her final bill and obtain ½ from grant. Happiness would be that we do get a grant from C. Giles Hunt and we can get the roofer to start work immediately so that we can use money from Preserving Oregon grant and not leave any money on the table. It will be a very tight timeline, but let's keep our fingers crossed.

Sutherlin Flower Baskets

Steve suggested that we sponsor a flower basket/banner in Sutherlin. Group discussed idea...mixed feelings. Good to support our local towns, but perhaps better ways of 'advertising' the park then with the flower basket. Voted to not sponsor one, but Celia Scott volunteered to personally fund one! Leslye and Midge pitched in a small amount to her for the basket. Celia will arrange for it.

Midge will check with the News & Review regarding advertising charges for their annual Douglas County Visitors Guide. Also, see if we can get the Trail Dash listed in the events area of the supplement...depending on cost and their deadline (last year the supplement was distributed on May 25, so we might be too late).

MISCELLANEOUS

Native Plant Guest – M.A. Hansen

M.A. Hansen was a guest at our board meeting and she discussed ideas for noxious weed removal, etc. She attended Saturday's Planning Meeting. She also volunteered to contact some potential sponsors for our Trail Dash.

Grave Sites

Steve will be meeting Pat O'Grady at the park in mid-April to tour the 'grave site'. A good bit of interest is out there in locating grave sites and identifying the people who are buried on the property.

EVENT DATES

April 20, 2013 – Earth Day

May 10, 2013 – Next Board Meeting

May 13, 2013 – Next Planning Committee Meeting

July 13, 2013 – Mildred's Trail Dash

July 22, 2013 – Adopt A Highway – 9 a.m.

September 8, 2013 – Annual Picnic (Joint with Historical Society)

October 28, 2013 – Adopt A Highway – 9 a.m.

NEXT MEETING

Next Meeting will be on **May 10, 2013** at Lane House Annex at 10 a.m..

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:00 noon