



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, June 7, 2013 in the Lane House Annex. Present were board members John Robertson, Midge McGinnis, Steve Kennerly, Celia Scott (and Mike Burke) and Leslye Wing. Debbie Levings, Deb Gray and Karen Roberson were not present.

AGENDA ITEMS

Mildred's Trail Dash

Leslye went over Trail Dash plans/tasks, etc. We selected color of t-shirts Lime Shock ☺. Leslye's design will be a bit less elaborate as we are trying to keep cost down. Extra charges for each color.

Leslye took t-shirt orders...if you were not present and/or want to order more, get this info to Leslye BEFORE June 28th!

Sponsors, we currently have about \$700 worth of sponsors, would like to get a couple more so that we have \$900 in sponsorships. Leslye needs to have these all in and verified so that she can add sponsors names to t-shirts (again June 28th deadline!). We can always accept prizes, silent auction donations, etc. after that, but no more 't-shirt' sponsors.

More posters were given out, so we can get them out there. Steve is planning on doing his 'get those donations' tasks done this coming week.

Midge will get registration forms printed up (and also took some from last year to use in case we run out).

Leslye discussed the number of runners and the fact that if we have less than 50 runners, perhaps we should look at a different 'fund raiser' next year.

Water – Midge will ask Lois if we can borrow her water coolers and again will be bringing 3 – 5 gallon coolers (nicely iced). Mike Burke will bring one and will man the trail water station again this year (note....there may be a conflict on that date for Celia and Mike...if so, we'll have to ask someone else to man the water station. Mike and Celia will let us know as soon as possible)

John Robertson and friend, Blain, will help with 'timing'.

Trail Clearing – Leslye will contact Gary Groth to make sure Charles knows we will be out there clearing the trails and that there will not be an issue. Mower clearing (Mike) – Wednesday, June 12th. Weed wacking clearing either 6/25, 6/26, 7/9 or 7/10. Leslye needs to get in touch with Mike McCarty re: availability.

Canopies and Banner – Midge has the two canopies, banner, event box (with previous year – t-shirts, etc. She will bring them on set up day/race day.

Set up Day – Friday, June 12th, 6 p.m., we'll meet at the park and put the canopies up, banner up, fix up the runner bags for pre-registration, etc.

Since there will not be another meeting prior to race day, it is critical that everyone keep in touch with Leslye regarding donations/sponsors, etc.!

Windows

We still don't have the windows back! Amy McAuley had promised them by end of May and our grant extension ends June 30th! Midge had spoken with Debbie Levings and she is attempting to contact Amy and the Kuri (grant). It looks like we are going to lose the grant money to cover the 2nd half of Amy's payment. Debbie is going to do be doing 'damage' control. We don't want the grantors to think poorly of us! We are also in a holding pattern with the roof. Need another grant before any work can be started on that.

Other Business – Planning Committee

Leslye, reviewed what's been going on at the planning meetings and got our input on some ideas that have been brought up at the planning meetings and additional ideas Leslye has come up with.

- Caretakers are leaving! It has been suggested that we find a cattleman who would like to run cattle on the property, live in the caretakers house and do revenue sharing with the park. This idea has been presented and is agreeable to group. Mike Burke suggested running an ad in the Capital Press...good idea!
- Users Fees – yes from everyone...planning committee would like to see movement on this asap.
- Water Rights – there are four water rights on the property. Irrigation of 23 acres is one of them. Stock water can be removed from creeks without any other permits. There is a well at the school house that is good. Testing is going to be done on all the wells.
- Leslye asked us all to give our input on an issue...if it came to saving the buildings or saving the trees...which would we be voting for. General feeling from group - Keeping the trees had a higher priority than restoring the historic buildings.

Leslye also presented some ideas that have come forth:

Immediate Goals:

Trail Maintenance agreement with various groups (ie: OET, Friends, Hiking group)

Hawthorne and Invasive weed removal – two grants so far to help with this have been received. Leslye has not heard anything on when/how these grants will be used.

Visions for Future:

- Horse training stations/obstacle courses
- Dog agility courses
- Clean up the picnic areas
- Geo-cache
- Things set up for people to go to at the park

Long Term goals:

- Camping
- Archery
- Frisbee
- Signage – ie for cemetery

Miscellaneous:

- Grant Money sources
- Logging Plans
- Camping Plans
- Saving of Buildings
- Restoration of School House

EVENT DATES

July 8, 2013 – Next Planning Committee Meeting (anyone can go as a ‘spectator’, but only committee members can participate).

July 12, 2013 – Set up for Dash and board Meeting – Day Use Area 6PM

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 Friday, July 12, 6 p.m. at Day Use Area! Trail Dash SET UP!
Meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.