



The meeting of the Board of Directors of the *Friends of Mildred Kanipe Memorial Park Association, Inc.* was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, November 7, 2014 at the Lane House Annex. Present were board members Landa Baily, Leslye Wing, Midge McGinnis, Karen Roberson, Deb Gray (via conference call), Steve Kennerly, and John Robertson. Celia Scott was unable to attend.

Co-Chair

With Debbie Levings stepping down as co-chair and board member, a new co-chair was nominated, voted on and accepted. Thank you Karen Roberson for stepping into this position.

Most Endangered Places – Restore Oregon

We can now proudly announce that Restore Oregon has selected Mildred Kanipe's house to be added to a very select group of places designated as Most Endangered Places. Karen Roberson and Landa Baily attended the ceremony in Portland on November 5. Park Director, Gary Groth was also in attendance. Link to Restore Oregon and the Most Endangered Places site can be found on the Friends website and our Facebook page. Restore Oregon will provide the following assistance to us:

- Help connect with people who can provide experienced restoration assistance
- Seed grant funds
- Assessment assistance

Contacts at Friends will be Steve Kennerly and Celia Scott. Restore Oregon's project manager will be in contact with them.

Campground

Progress – Road has been graded into the campsite from Elkhead.

School House Interior Grant – Steve Kennerly has started work on Kinsman Grant request to cover the interior renovation, including paint removal, owl and bat dropping removal, interior doors, new ceiling and floor wood, and varnish of finished wood surfaces. Due to lead present in paint, very large portion of expense will be the removal of hazardous materials.

Tom Rogers – Payment/Plans – Steve Kennerly has contacted Tom Rogers, ball is in Tom’s court to let us know what we owe him. As of 11/7, Tom has not presented us with an invoice.

Sign at School House – Need to double check some costs and plan. The actual board of corrugated plastic will probably cost \$50, with additional costs for printing and applying the type. Once the sign has been roughed out, we will give Gary Groth a chance to review it.

Cemetery

Ground penetrating radar discovered potentially as many as 16 gravesites (originally believed there were only 4). Awaiting Pat O’Grady’s final report.

1939 Aerial Photos

Steve Kennerly discovered we can obtain 1939 aerial photos from University of Oregon for costs around \$10 a photo. We can have university do research for \$20, which we agree should be done. Could possibly show locations of the pioneer cemetery, trees still standing in the pioneer orchard, the buildings around the school house and structures not present in the park today. Leslye Wing made motion to approve with costs less than \$100. Midge McGinnis seconded and board approved. Steve Kennerly will research and decide what aerials may be beneficial to us. Also need to find out if we are allowed to reproduce the photos after purchasing. Digital copies are what we would prefer.

Additional after meeting notes from S. Kennerly: 1939 Photos – After speaking to the Knight Library Friday afternoon, we can reproduce as a 501. No third party for financial gain.

Sheep Shed

Karen Roberson has not heard anything back from Gary Groth on this, she will contact him again.

Brochures (Glossy)

We have obtained an estimate from Anvil (formerly Creative Images). The board approved text corrections and replacing one flower picture with one of mother and child riding bike in front of Underwood barn to be labeled “Family Fun”. Midge McGinnis will obtain final estimate and proof and has received approval from board for printing 500 brochures. Plan would be that after campground is completed a totally new brochure can be worked on.

Underwood House Memorial

Previous email correspondence discussed descriptive signs for Underwood House and Barn and how to memorialize the site. Leslye Wing suggested a 'garden/park' located on the old Underwood House location. Gary Groth thinks this would be a good idea. Need to find a group/individual with landscaping experience to lay out a plan (plants/benches). Suggestions were the Native Plant Society, college, high school...

Once plans are designed, and then need to find donors, volunteers, etc. to fund and install the park/garden.

Living History Type Fund Raiser

Contact has been made with Gardner Chappell. Either May or September, or even possibly Spring 2016. Board felt September would be better and give us more time to plan. Mr. Chappell was against an 'entrance charge', however, we feel that there should be a small one...suggested \$3 per car.

Kanipe Cook Book

Celia Scott has received approval to copy Aunt Mary's recipes. Need to collect recipes from others now.

Miscellaneous – New Business

City of Wilsonville – Equestrian destination. There was a Facebook notification and/or a phone call regarding a group in the City of Wilsonville who was interested in obtaining information and/or having a representative from our group for an organization promoting Oregon as an equestrian destination. Need to try and track down more about this and get in contact with the appropriate person to offer whatever support we can.

Greg Eggers and GeoCache

Greg Eggers, who provided us with some additional maps with mileage on them (see our website), would like to place some geo caches at the park. Leslye Wing will run this by Gary Groth for approval and if approved, we will purchase a couple of boxes and trinkets to place in them and then give Gregg Eggers the green light to proceed.

Mildred Kanipe Window Stickers

It was suggested that we look into where and how much window stickers would cost. Nice for give-aways and for new members. Midge McGinnis will research this. Also, bumper stickers...."Kanipians"!

Newsletter

It has been far too long since we have issued a newsletter to our members. An outline has been done, volunteers have signed up for sections to be written and Leslye Wing will do the 'artwork/layout'. Hope to have this out in early January.

Park Donation Boxes

Appears donation boxes (with envelopes) will be in service shortly at equestrian and day use areas of the park. Annual 'pass' hangers are available now for 2015. They are \$30 and can be purchased from the parks department (should be available on their website shortly). Funds from both the donation box and the hanger stay with Kanipe Park.

Use of Kanipe Park as plein air painter's venue

This was suggested last month as a potential fund raising event. Celia Scott has contacted the Umpqua Valley Arts Association. Topic is under discussion with them.

National Environmental Education Foundation (NEEF) – Capacity Grant

Celia Scott is on working this. Application date for 2015 is in the spring and fall. If applied for and granted would supply monies to hire an educational consultant to help us use our resources in the best way and plan a good education program around all the natural systems at Kanipe.

Nature Trail Work Party

Time to start clearing hawthorne, etc. out of the nature trail. Celia Scott will pick a good date and we will send out emails to members, etc. to get volunteers to help clear.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

EVENT DATES

April 27, 2015	Adopt-A-Highway
July 11, 2015	6 th Annual Mildred's Trail Dash
September 21, 2015	Adopt-A-Highway

NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be on Friday, December 12, 2014 (9 a.m.) – Lane House Annex – Roseburg.