



The meeting of the Board of Directors of the *Friends of Mildred Kanipe Memorial Park Association, Inc.* was called to order on Friday, September 14, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the Oakland Art Gallery (Turkey Hall). Present were board members: Celia Scott, Karen Roberson, John Robertson, Steve Kennerly, Landa Baily and Midge McGinnis. Deb Gray and Leslye Wing were unable to attend. Mike Burke was also in attendance.

AGENDA ITEMS

Playground

After careful research and discussion, Friends will not be working on a project to acquire playground equipment for Mildred Kanipe Memorial Park. Document completed with research findings indicated that even just a few pieces of equipment could run as much as \$20,000. We will save our research and perhaps re-explore this at some future date. It was suggested that another organization may want to work on this.

Orchard Trees

Since 2005, the idea of obtaining heritage fruit trees to replace lost trees in Day Use Orchard has been discussed. We are supportive of this idea, however, do not have the manpower to take on this project. We will attempt to find a dedicated volunteer from either our members or another organization who would be excited to lead such a project. Friends would support the project with information gathered over the last few years and some financial support. Email to go out within the next ten days.

School House

We are optimistic that we will receive a grant to help cover the cost of beginning interior work on the school. Original grant submission would have covered entire interior, however, grantor can only support about ¼ of the original request. This will result in having to do this interior work in phases. Currently working on adjusting the submitted budget to grantor.

Mildred's House

Some of our board members will be meeting with Restore Oregon (who placed Mildred's Home on the Most Endangered Buildings listing for the last few years). They have some ideas regarding how we may be able to move forward with restoring this building.

Prioritization of Projects

Friends currently have a number of projects that we would like to work on. We must determine which ones to address. Since we have been working on the English Settlement School for a number of years and we are optimistic about receiving a grant, this will be one of our priorities. Other priorities would include a Master Plan for Mildred Kanipe Memorial Park, weed eradication and trail development.

Miscellaneous

- Annual Wine Walk in Oakland. Friends sold tickets at last year's event and we will volunteer to man that table again this year (as well as being able to promote the park).
- List of projects to Parks Director. Will supply a list of our projects, both active and potential to Parks Director, soliciting comments and continued collaboration with the county.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

EVENT DATES

September 28, 2017

Adopt A Highway – Day Use Area

NEXT MEETING

Next Meeting – Friday, October 13, 2017 – Turkey Hall, Oakland – 10 a.m.