



The meeting of the Board of Directors of the *Friends of Mildred Kanipe Memorial Park Association, Inc.* was called to order on Friday, March 16, 2018 at 10:15 a.m. at the Oakland Art Gallery (CoCo's Restaurant). Present were board members: Celia Scott, Deb Gray, Karen Roberson, Steve Kennerly, Landa Baily, John Robertson and Midge McGinnis. Leslye Wing was unable to attend. Mike Burke and Ron Armstrong were also in attendance.

AGENDA ITEMS

News Review – Visitors Guide Ad

Discussed, motion made by Landa Baily and seconded by Karen Roberson, all approved to place a 1/6 page ad in annual News Review Visitors Guide. Same ad as last year with one addition, line mentioning that Kanipe Park was voted 3rd favorite park in Douglas County in 2017 (News Review Contest).

NEEF Grant Submission

Discussed and agreed that we will submit the NEEF Grant request. This request will provide funds for advertising and signs. Will need to obtain letter from Parks Department to submit with the request (stating that we are an approved 'Friends' group with them and the Park).

Peacock Feed

The county is supplying the caretaker in day use area with appropriate peacock feed. Discussion regarding Friends purchasing feed or purchasing a coin operated feeder. We are going to check with Park Director and see if they are agreeable to us purchasing a 'coin operated' feeder that could be placed near kiosk in day use area. County would use funds received to help with cost of feed.

School House Updates

- Karen is working with Tom Rogers on bid forms that need to be submitted to contractors. Additional bids were suggested by County as back up.

- Owls....somehow owls keep getting into the school house! There appears to be an opening up in the roof, but we are turning to county to close these holes up both from a liability standpoint and for the welfare of the owls.
- Bees.... Rob Burns is an experienced beekeeper who has agreed to 'relocate' the bees living under the school house. Will be done after weather warms up. (will be granting Rob a lifetime membership for his assistance).

Book Donation – For Love of the Land (Lois Eagleton)

Lois Eagleton, the author of For Love of the Land, would like to donate 10 copies of her book to supports of the park. We are putting together a list and will work with Lois to get them sent out. THANK YOU Lois!

Brochure from County

We are down to the last 50 or so glossy brochures that we had printed many years ago. The County has a new 'rack card' that is much more up-to-date. We are working with county to either receive a small supply for free, or go in with them on a printing order. In meantime, we will update and print our tri-fold membership/info leaflet.

NEW ITEMS

Fundraiser – Karen Roberson asked for volunteers for a late summer/early fall fund raiser. Celia Scott, Deb Gray and Landa Baily with work with her to get this moving. Considering a wine / finger food event at the park. More to come.

Orchard – Celia will once again contact the Temperate Orchard Conservatory in Mollalla, Oregon to attempt to learn which Kanipe orchard stock has been given them by Nick Botner, master orchardist who worked with Lois Eagleton to identify the Kanipe orchard trees. Friends hopes to work with the Conservatory to obtain descendants of these trees to plant at the Park.

Guest Register at Day Use Area

Guests are filling out the guest register in the day use area! ☺ Will pick up the sheets, scan them and pass on to board members and Park Director. May try and post some on our Facebook page.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

NEXT MEETING

Next Meeting – Friday, April 20, 2018 – Oakland Art Gallery/CoCo's, Oakland – 10 a.m.

UPCOMING DATES

4/09/18 – Adopt A Park Road Clean up

4/19/18 – Parks Advisory Board Meeting

4/20/18 – Next Board Meeting

4/21/18 – Earth Day

4/27-29, 2018 – DC Search and Rescue event (FYI) – entire park will be utilized, park NOT closed to public

9/17/18 – Adopt A Park Road Clean up