



WINTER 2022 MEETING AGENDA

Sunday, December 4th, 2022

Main Branch Boone County Library, Burlington, KY - 2:00 P.M.

- **Call to Order – Mary Gratsch**

- A. Announcements**

1. ?????

- B. Secretary's Report – Janice Gott**

1. Minutes 9/18/22

- C. Treasurer's Report – Werner Jud**

1. Life Membership & Endowment Funds

- D. Committee Reports**

- A. Membership/Message Committee – Janice Gott**

1. RKC tri-fold flyer revision
2. Tri-fold display board revision
3. Holiday Postcard or Email broadcast

- B. GSP Committee – Scott Pavey**

1. GSP Caretaker building
2. Halloween Event
3. GSP Management Plan Update

- C. Misty Committee – Sean Cain**

1. Set up work crew/caving trip to clean up debris

- D. Skylight Committee – Thor Bahrman/Jerry Brandenburg**

1. Road repairs

- E. Cornhole Committee – Mary Gratsch**

1. Survey trip

- F. Sloans Valley Preserve Committee – Mike Herrington & Joe Morgan**

1. New neighbor relations
2. Signage, Donation Pipe
3. Work Day for cleanup, above & below ground
4. Emergency Contact Plan with Pulaski County
5. Management Plan
6. Cathy Crockett Memorial Trail ownership?

- G. Fundraising Committee Mary Gratsch**

1. GSP Halloween fundraiser for caretaker residence
2. Logo merchandise

- H. Acquisition Committee**

1. New Committee Chair is Wendy Orlandi
2. Acquisition Report
3. Conservation Easement Committee Report – Janice Gott

- I. NSS Preserves Program / MOU Committee – Gratsch, Gibson, Jud**

- **Old Business**

1. Susan Neumeyer Archeology Research – O'Dell
2. Transitional Membership Clarification in RKC Membership Policy Document - Jud
(Proposed Language Below)

- **New Business**
 1. Proposed changes to the “Election Committee Guidelines” Policy Document and RKC Bylaws – Bush (**Proposed Language Below**)
 2. Nominations for 2 Directors for March 2023
- **Next Meeting Date**
- **Motion to Adjourn**

Proposed Membership Policy Document Addition (Jud):

A Transition Member is a member making payments of a minimum of \$25/month over a year, as a transition toward becoming a Lifetime Member. Transitional Members shall cover the current Life Membership cost within one year.

Proposed Election Committee Rules Policy Document Changes (Bush):

Board of Directors Election Committee Guidelines
Approved 10/19/2014
Revised 12/10/17
WGB Suggested Edits 10/18/22

The Election Committee shall consist of an Election Committee Chairman and minimum of three additional members appointed annually by the RKC Chair. If possible, at least one Committee Member should be picked from each of the three ‘Member Grottoes’ being GCG, BGG, DUG & COG. All members of this committee shall be RKC Members. The Election Committee shall be responsible for the process of the election of Directors in strict accordance with the Election Committee Guidelines. The Election Committee Guidelines are promulgated from time to time by the Executive Committee. Only RKC Members, **18 years of age or older**, may vote or hold office. All Individual, Sustaining, and Lifetime members are considered full members for voting purposes and can vote. Benefactor and Honorary have no voting rights. **Only RKC members of record on December 1st are eligible to vote in the election of Directors following the December meeting.**

Rockcastle Karst Conservancy, Inc
Bylaws
(WGB suggested edits – 10/18/2022)

CHAPTER III. MEMBERSHIP

Section A. There shall be the following classes of membership in RKC:

1. Individual Membership. Individual members are persons who pay regular annual membership dues. Individual members who are age 18 or older shall have the right to vote for the Board.
2. Sustaining Membership. Sustaining membership program allows members to continually sustain RKC by making monthly or quarterly payments billed to their credit or debit card. The minimum sustaining membership is \$5 per month, but can be as high as the member is willing to commit. Sustaining members who are age 18 or older have the right to vote for the Board.
3. Lifetime Membership. Life members are persons who pay a one-time life membership dues payment. Lifetime members who are age 18 or older shall have

the right to vote for the Board.

4. Transition Membership. Any sustaining member making payments will be allowed to apply payments towards a lifetime membership.

5. Supporting Membership. Supporting members are persons or organizations who pay annual supporting membership dues and whose principal goals and objectives are consistent with the goals and objectives of RKC. Supporting members do not have the right to vote in the affairs of RKC.

6. Benefactor Membership. Benefactor members are persons or organizations who pay a one time lump sum dues payment and whose principal goals and objectives are consistent with the goals and objectives of RKC. Benefactor members do not have the right to vote in the affairs of RKC.

7. Honorary Membership. Honorary members are persons or organizations to whom membership is awarded by the Board of Directors for outstanding service and/or contributions to RKC. Honorary members do not have the right to vote in the affairs of RKC.

8. The Board may establish other classes of membership that may or may not have voting rights. The Board shall determine set annual membership dues amounts.

Section B. Privileges. Members shall have all privileges and benefits of membership that may be established and approved by the Board of Directors. Membership in RKC does not confer, entitle, guarantee or assure access, visitation, exploration or any other use of any real or personal property owned, leased, operated, controlled or managed by RKC. Such membership privileges shall be determined by the Board of Directors and/or any Board approved management plans.

Section C. Membership Acceptance. Upon written application for Individual, Sustaining and Lifetime membership and payment of the appropriate dues, the applicant is accepted
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as a member of RKC. Upon application for Supporting and Benefactor membership and payment of the appropriate annual dues, the Board shall decide to accept an applicant for membership.

Section D. Revocation of Membership. Any Individual or organizational membership in RKC may be revoked and terminated by a 4 of 5 vote of the Board of Directors. Prior notification of the pending vote will be given to the member in question. Grounds for revocation of membership shall consist of evidence of action(s) by the member which are inconsistent with and in conflict with the purposes of RKC.

Section E. Voting Eligibility. Voting members of record on **the 90th day December 1st** prior to the Annual Meeting, who are age 18 or older, are **eligible and** entitled to vote in that year's election.

CHAPTER IV. DIRECTORS

Section A. The Board shall consist of five (5) Directors.

1. The Initial Board of Directors shall be the three incorporating Directors and they shall appoint two additional Directors to have a total of **five (5)**. Their term shall be three years. At the end of that time two Directors shall continue for a second three year term, one shall continue for a two year term and the remaining two shall continue for a one year term.

2. The **election for the** Board shall be elected **held in January** by written ballot sent to the membership for the term of three years and shall serve for such term until the election of their successors, except for providing for the filling of vacancies.

3. Any voting member can be considered a nominee to the Board of Directors providing they submit a written document seeking such position **and providing they are an RKC voting member of record as of December 1st prior to the Annual Meeting.**