

Rockcastle Karst Conservancy

General Meeting – June 7, 2015

In Attendance:

Directors: Tammy Otten, Werner Jud, Pete Stow, Sean Cain and Steve Gentry
(A quorum does exist)

Others: Neena Jud, Ralph Mann, Janice Gott, Mike Wuerth and Gary Bush

38th Meeting of the Rockcastle Karst Conservancy was held at the Main Branch, Boone County Library, Burlington, KY.
Called to Order by Chair Tammy Otten at 2:11PM.

Meeting Agenda Attached:

Announcements:

- Speleofest fundraising – Sold one beanie. Sales were very slow. (S. Gentry)
- SERA and Open House fundraising – Had a very good response. More details during Fundraising. (T. Otten)

Secretary's Report: (S. Cain)

Read summary of Minutes of Meeting of 03/08/2015.

Neena Jud and Werner Jud requested two changes. Changes completed.

Gentry moved to accept the Minutes. Second by Stow. Approved unanimously (5 votes For)

Treasurer's Report: (Submitted by W.Jud)

Current Fiscal Year details are in the June 7, 2015 Balance Sheet and March 8, 2015 thru June 7, 2015 Revenue and Expenditures Report.

*Tammy Otten had a question surrounding recent membership drive and the corresponding renewals.

*Lifetime membership report. (Prepared by H. Kalnitz and read by T. Otten)

S.Cain moved to accept the Treasurer's Report and Life Fund Report as provided. S.Gentry seconded. Vote: Unanimously accepted (5 votes For)

Committee Reports:

(A) Membership Committee: (T. Otten)

1. Membership drive. Renewal notices were sent to all non-renewing members.
 - a) 12 Annual Renewals
 - b) 1 Lifetime Membership
 - c) 1 Institutional
2. Data base updated for all current members.
 - a) 104 current members.
3. Newsletters were mailed to all members.
4. Membership card design complete. All Board had viewed.
 - a) Cards will be mailed to renewing members each year.
 - b) Lifetime Member card will be produced with "Lifetime Member Since" date on card.
5. Membership Committee Chair is needed.
6. Mary Gratsch was to provide a plan for Members Weekend at GSP, but has not.
 - a) Werner Jud and Gary Bush will contact Mary to follow-up on needed details.

(B) GSP Committee: (J. Brandenburg-absent/ Werner)

1. Open House was a great success
 - a) COG was a needed and appreciated addition this year.
 - b) Attendance was 2,185.
 - c) Sold numerous clothing and merchandise items.
 - d) Letter of thanks is being sent to Madison County Library for the music they provided.
2. KOR is next event.

(C) Misty Cave Committee: (Pete Stow)

1. Pete must be notified if any trips are planned to Misty.

(D) Cornhole Cave Committee: (M. Gratsch-absent/T. Otten)

1. Have not communicated with Mary.
2. Ralph Mann has communicated with Mary about road improvements.

(E) Fundraising Committee: (T. Otten)

1. SERA was a good events. Grossed \$415.00 with a net of \$377.45.
2. Open House was a good event as well. Grossed \$369.00 with a net of \$310.00.
3. Speleofest was not good event. No numbers at this time.
4. Chickfest was an ok event. No numbers at this time.
5. Stitch N Bitch sales have been strong.
6. KOR is next fundraising event. Mary will be running the booth.
7. Tammy Otten and Howard Kalnitz are going to the NSS National Convention.

(F) Acquisition Committee: (B. Dobbs-absent/T. Otten)

1. Tammy Otten read the quarterly acquisition report provide by Bob Dobbs.
2. Conservation Easement Committee Report of Findings was presented by Janice Gott.
 - a) We must apply to be accredited.
 - b) To be accredited we must meet the Standards and Practices listed on the LTA.org website.
 - c) It was noted that GSP is already on an easement through the Felburn Foundation till 2036.
 - d) All Board Members will review Standards and Practices before the September Meeting.

Old Business:

- (A) Audit of RKC Finances (G. Bush)
1. Date has not yet been set for audit. Werner will contact Gary to set date. Audit complete by Fall Meeting.

New Business:

- (A) Google Docs will be used going forward for needed document viewing.

Next Meeting: Will be held Sunday, September 27, 2015 at 10:00am. Will be held at GSP.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by P. Stow, seconded by W. Jud at 4:25PM
Vote: Passed unanimously (5 votes For)

Meeting Minutes prepared by Sean Cain, Secretary.

Action Items

1. W, Jud and G. Bush to help M. Gratsch with Members Weekend planning.
2. Board to review Standards and Practices on LTS.org
3. Conservation Easement Exploratory Committee Report by September 27, 2015.
4. Financial audit completed by Gary Bush by September 27, 2015.