



TENNESSEE TRAILS ASSOCIATION

INC.

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MINUTES THIRD QUARTER BOARD MEETING August 28, 1982

The meeting was held at the South Cumberland Visitor Center at Tracy City, morning and afternoon, with lunch at a restaurant.

Present: Dave Stidham
Dot Lingerfelt
Sam Powell
Evelyn Tretter
Dwain Van Vactor
Bertha Chrietberg

Absent: Betty Smith
Sharon Patterson
Jill Norvell
Grimes Slaughter
George Minnigh

Also Present: Emelie Powell
Amanda Van Vactor
Jennifer Stidham

It was decided to reinvest the initial \$500 in the investment account and put the interest into the checking account.

It was announced that 3000 copies of Evan Means' book, "Tennessee Trails," have been sold. To date \$207 has been received by TTA, donated by Mr. Means over and above his investment.

A motion was passed for chapters to get prior approval from the president and at least two board members before launching fund-raising projects and events.

A motion was passed to require quarterly financial reports from chapters.

It was reported that the membership vote on family dependent membership category amendment to the by-laws had been in favor of the amendment.

The agreement between TTA and the state Department of Conservation for TTA to maintain a segment of the Cumberland Trail (Cove Lake State Park to Oliver Springs) was presented for vote by the president. A few changes had been suggested by TTA, most of which were incorporated. One provision of the contract is that the state assumes no liability for conduct or negligence of a volunteer. A motion was passed to accept the contract. Grimes Slaughter is liaison person on this project.

The president said that announcements by the state of the dedication of this segment of the CT, scheduled for Sept. 18, had been made without consulting TTA, although TTA had promised to sponsor the affair. Several inaccuracies in the announcement document were pointed out. The president, Mr. Stidham, will write a letter to the commissioner of Conservation about this matter.

Objective: To promote, construct, and maintain a state-wide system of hiking trails, and to work for the conservation of natural resources inherent to this objective.

Sponsor for the Cumberland Trail

Sam Powell showed slides and reported on the recent flood which destroyed bridges and trail on the south portion of the CT. Plans are being made for replacement.

Emelie Powell, who is in charge of producing a new TTA brochure, showed tentative plans. Some suggestions for minor changes were made.

The president said the Adopt-a-Trail manual would go to the printer the following week.

It was suggested that plans for the Department of Conservation to furnish office space for volunteer coordinators needs to be followed up.

It was decided that Bertha Chrietberg and Dave Stidham will meet with state Department of Transportation officials to urge incorporation of a bike trail in the new Murfreesboro-Woodbury highway.

The board passed a motion to write a letter opposing the U.S. Forest Service proposal on the Cherokee Wilderness, the letter to be included in the public hearing proceedings. The board had voted in April 1982 to endorse the proposal of the Cherokee Wilderness Coalition.

A motion was passed to donate \$25.00 to the Coalition to help with expenses.

Letters had been sent to TVA agencies to ask what they want done by Adopt-a-Trail volunteers. Most have responded. A contract will be drawn up.

The board voted to give the TTA Award for 1982 to Don Todd. Members are requested not to disclose who the choice is, as the announcement will be made at the annual meeting in October.

Evelyn Tretter was appointed chairman of a nominating committee to select a slate of officers, plus one director, for next year.

It was agreed that the president will write a letter to the commissioner of Conservation suggesting better rules enforcement in state park family campgrounds, especially as regards noise late at night.

Details of the annual meeting were discussed. Two state trails council members from Arkansas are scheduled to speak on forming a trails council.

Evelyn Tretter, Recording Secretary

Financial report attached.
New Section 5 of by-laws attached.