

TENNESSEE TRAILS ASSOCIATION

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MINUTES
FOURTH QUARTER BOARD MEETING
October 19, 1984

The meeting was held at Beersheba Springs before the annual meeting next day.

Present:

Evan Means
Bertha Chrietzberg
Evelyn Tretter
Dave Stidham
Jim Chrietzberg
Howard Ray Duncan

Vic Canada

Absent: Dot Lingerfelt

Everett Kidder Grimes Slaughter

Tom Sells

Jill Norvell (arrived too late)

Sam Powell

The president, Evan Means, reported that he had attended several meetings of environment al/outdoor groups and was able to support TTA's aims in various ways. These included a meeting on TVA and Tourism; groundbreaking of Great Blue Heron Recreation Facilities; and Kentucky Trails Society.

Means said sales on his book "Tennessee Trails" had picked up with his new edition. He donates revalties to TTA.

It was reported by Means and Bob Richards that the Trail of the Lonesome Pine, one of the eight Tennessee Scenic Trails, has run into serious trouble. After years of getting agreements from landowners, the state had threatened condemnation with one holdout absentee landowner, who had stirred the other landowners up to the point that they had gone to the legislature and had the trail taken off the Scenic Trails list. A public meeting had been held, which Means did not know about until four days afterwards.

The following motions were passed:

- The president will write a letter to the state director of parks asking that the president of TTA be notified when any public meeting is to be held concerning trails, as in the case of the Trail of the Lonesome Pine.
- The president will write a letter to the state director of parks to ask him to discuss volunteers with the parks superintendents, so volunteer help will not be turned down, as it has been recently.
 - The president announced the honorees for the yearly awards, who had been chosen at the August board meeting: Herman Baggenstoss for the TTA Award and Evelyn Tretter, Nashville Chapter, for the Bill Stutz Award. The president said that due to lack of communication between

board members meeting in August and the plaque committee, the plaques had not been prepared and would be presented later.

Three nominees had been made for the TTA Award. Only one chapter, Nashville, had turned in a nominee for the Stutz Award.

The following motion was passed:

The president will give consideration to giving appropriate recognition to the Cumberland Mountain Chapter for its outstanding trail work, especially in the case of Coldlitz Cove.

Bertha Chrietzberg, who represents TTA on the Tennessee Environmental Council, reported that she had learned at the TEC annual meeting that en ironmental groups will make an allout effort to prevent the National Guard from building a proposed training grounds in the area of South Cumberland Recreation, which would be located on the borders of Savage Gulf and also on the borders of Fall Creek Falls State Park. The projected size is 114,000 acres.

The following motion was passed:

A resolution will be submitted to the membership at the annual meeting on Oct. 20, 1984, reading: "TTA will go on record as opposing the building of a National Guard training base in the SCSRA area near Spencer, Tennessee. The president will write a letter to go to all Tennessee congressmen and senators and others, opposing implementation of the proposed training base without a full environmental impact statement, with sufficient period of time for public knowledge and in put."

The nominating committee proposed a slate of officers to be submitted for vote at the annual meeting of membership Oct. 20: president, David Stidham; vice president, Howard Ray Duncan; corresponding sec.-treas., Dot Lingerfelt; recording secretary, Evelyn Tretter; director to finish Duncan's term, Bertha Chrietzberg; director, reelect Sam Powell.

Evelyn Tretter Recording Secretary