

TENNESSEE TRAILS ASSOCIATION

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MINUTES FIRST QUARTER BOARD MEETING February 23, 1985

The meeting was held at the Lodge at Natchez Trace State Park following a hike on the Red Leaves Trail and dinner in the Lodge restaurant

Present

David Stidham Bertha Chrietzberg Evelyn Tretter Jill Norvall

Board Members Absent

Dot Lingerfelt
Everett Kidder
Grimes Slaughter
Ken Pittman
Howard Ray Duncan
Sam Powell
Evan Means
Arthur Yates

Other Members Present

Pat Anderson
Martha Swift
James T.Jones
Marie T. Jones
Bob Barnett
Paul Goldstein
Bob Richards

This was a combined board meeting and membership to vote on an amendment to the bylaws making the editor of the newsletter a member of the board of directors. The amendment was adopted by a vote of nine for, two against.

Evelyn Tretter, chairman of the Nashville Chapter, which will host the annual meeting in October, said the meeting will be held at Tech Aqua on Center Hill Lake, Smithville. The date was changed to a week earlier than had been announced. It will be held Oct. 11-12-13.

The president, David Stidham, said nominations for the TTA Award and the Bill Stutz Award should be turned in to him by Aug. 1. Criteria for the awards will be published in the newsletter.

Stidham said royalties for the sale of Evan Means' book Tennessee Trails were \$324 for the second half of 1984. Bertha Chrietzberg suggested that each chapter contact local bookstores and sports/outdoor stores about stocking the books. They are available from Eastwood Press.

Stidham said the Georgia Division of State Parks would sponsor the 1985 Southeastern Trails Conference.

Stidham said the following changes in the 1985 schedule of hikes have been made: April 13 hike at Edgar Evins State Park is to be deleted; the hike to Mt. Le Conte Lodge will be on June 11 instead of July 13. The annual meeting is changed as noted above.

Bob Richards, of the state Division of Parks and Recreation, said he would like to have comments on allowing bicycles to use hiking trails. After a discussion, the matter was tabled.

Stidham said the Adopt-a-Trail program should be pushed by the chapters.

Stidham summarized a proposal by the legislature to establish a natural resource trust with money generated from the sale of state lands and non-renewable resources, proceeds of the trust fund to be used to enhance recreational and cultural resources.

A motion was made to have TTA endorse this proposal. The four members present voted unanimously; the president will make a telephone survey to get a majority vote of board members. He will write a letter to the relevant people if the motion is passed.

Evelyn Tretter, Recording Secretary

Correction to board meeting minutes of Oct. 19, 1984: Paragraph 3 should read:

"It was reported by Means and Bob Richards that the Trail of the Lonesome Pine, one of the eight Tennessee Scenic Grails, has run into serious trouble. After years of getting agrements from landowners, the state had threatened condemnation with one holdout absentee landowner, who had stirred the other landowners up to the point that the trail might possibly be taken off the scenic trails list by the legislature. The public meeting had been held, which Means did not know about until four days afterwards. Richards said the TLP is now classified as 'inactive.'