

## TENNESSEE TRAILS ASSOCIATION

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FIRST QUARTER BOARD MEETING February 10,1990

The meeting was held at Pin Oak Lodge, Natchez Trace State Park, after dinner in the restaurant.

Present Jerri Bull Fom Shepherd Evelyn Pretter Betty Porter Debbie Gilbert

June Adams Rettie Herring Pat Anderson Bertha Chrietzberg Ken Pittman James T. Jones

Absent Dot Lingerfelt Dot Fowler (proxy, James Leininger) Debbie Thibault

Also present: Edith Caywood, Julanne Barham, Anne Lindholm, Fran Shepherd

James Leininger, Adopt-a-Trail chairman, said the new trail inspection forms are in use. He asks that all hike leaders fill out and turn in one after each hike, inspecting the trail on the hike. This will give a greater coverage than has previously been the case. Forms will be turned in to James, who will forward them to the agencies concerned.

Jerri Bull, president, gave the treasurer's report in the absence of Dot Lingerfelt. All TTA accounts will be moved to Oak Ridge.

Bertha Chrietzberg said there is \$52 in the annual meeting account after

A motion was passed to have all leftover funds from annual meetings go to the host chapter, provided the board gives approval in advance on the amount of the registration fee.

There was a lengthy discussion of going to bulk mailing for the newsletter, to save postage. This would take more volunteers at mailing time, as zip codes have to be segregated, etc. A trial run will take place, to see if enough volunteers will show up for the mailings. Washville, Murfreesboro and Clarksville chapters would be involved.

A motion was passed to have the corresponding secretary-treasurer send a membership card, year's hike schedule and the latest newsletter to ecah new member as soon as dwes are received.

The president asked that each board member give his written suggestions for improvements, additions or deletions to the TTA brochure in use at present, these to be sent to the president by a week before the June meeting this year. It was decided that new brochures will not be printed until after the scheduled 1991 raising of dues. The president will appoint a committee to edit and design the new brochure.

Bertha Chrietzberg reported on efforts to save the area around Black Swamp Spring in Murfreesboro from the effects of development, which would damage the wetland, located within the city limits. The site is on the National Register of Historic Places, having been a stopping place for the Cherokee on the Trail of Tears. This listing does not protect it from encroaching development. A boardwalk trail is planned if efforts to purchase by the Nature Conservancy are effective.

A motion was passed to have the president write to the proper authorities giving Association support to this effort. This will be done as soon as the necessary information is sent to the president by members of the Murfreesboro chapter.

Bob Barnett, who represents TTA on the Environmental Action Fund board, sent reports to the meeting, a copy for each board member, of current action that needs support by individual TTA members. He requested that chairmen publicize this as soon as possible.

Evelyn Tretter, Recording Secretary

Correction to minutes of 10-6-89: Environmental Action Fund was incorrectly called Environmental Protection Fund.