



TENNESSEE TRAILS ASSOCIATION

INC.

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MINUTES THIRD QUARTER BOARD MEETING AUGUST 24, 1996

The meeting was held at Brandon Springs, Land Between the Lakes, after lunch in the cafeteria.

Present

Harold Draper
Jim Poteet
Evelyn Tretter
Bertha Chrietzberg
Mike Harvey
James Neblett
Libby Francis
Bessie Daniel

Absent

Judy Cleary
Rob Weber
Ray and Martye Burkett
Ninez Giles
Jeannie Chambers
Judith Bartlow
Debbie Gilbert
Mary Kelly
Paul Miller

Also Present

Bob Barnett
Arleen Barnett
Wanda Cumberland

A motion was passed to pay \$150 from the state treasury for lodging and meeting room for this meeting.

A motion was passed to pay up to \$200 to produce a brochure for trail at Norris Dam State Park.

The board decided to use the money from the 1996 auction at the annual meeting for Breakaway 1997 (co-sponsored by TTA - project for using college students for trail work). Auction proceeds are earmarked for the Cumberland Trail, which will benefit from Breakaway.

The president, Harold Draper, said he is getting quotes for liability insurance.

It was suggested that denial of liability forms be produced for hikers on TTA-sponsored hikes to sign. Libby Francis will procure these forms.

Nominations for the TTA and Bill Stutz Awards were turned in. It was decided to poll the absent members to see if there are additional nominations, since no deadline had been set. The nominations and short writeups to support nominations should be sent to the president immediately.

In discussing the Adopt-a-Trail program, the president made three suggestions: (1) After every organized hike, a report be sent to the managing agency; (2) a letter making initial contact with the agencies be sent to each. (A sample letter was passed around); (3) TTA publish a special annual issue of the newsletter on the status of trails. No action was taken on these proposals.

Bob Barnett suggested that TTA recognize any people who do trail work, whether members or not.

Jim Poteet suggested each chapter have a workshop meeting and at such time give out hike report forms. The president said he would send each chairman a copy of the form from which he can make copies.

Bertha Chrietzberg reported that Parson Branch in Smokey Mountain National Park is closed due to washout. The Park Service is considering reopening it as a one-lane dirt road open to vehicles. Chrietzberg suggested TTA write a letter suggesting leaving this road as a hiking trail. Jim Poteet will write this letter.

The president announced that TVA's Foster Falls Small Wild Area has been turned over to the state.

A motion was passed to pay \$25 for membership in the National Breakaway Network.

A motion was passed to write a letter to be presented to Vice President Al Gore objecting to the Champion Paper Company's pollution of Pigeon River. Bob Barnett will write the letter.

Chapter reports: Nashville - The chapter has appointed a hiking chairman who reminds hike leaders in time and also reminds them to turn in trip report. Murfreesboro - Six people worked from four to five hours on the Twin Forks trail - Walter Hill end - and had a canoe float cleanup. The Rutherford County Beautification Committee gave the chapter \$100 for this work. The money was donated to Black Fox Wetland League. The chapter had a canoe float on the Duck River. About 18 people attended. Clarksville - The chapter plans a hiking trip to the Smokies September 28 to October 5. Anyone interested in going should let Wanda Cumberland know. The chapter plans its annual bonfire, mountain bike day, hiking day, weiner roast and campout October 26. East Tennessee - The chapter has two hikes a month. They have found dinner meetings at a restaurant successful.

Evelyn Tretter, recording secretary

Correction - It was stated in the minutes of the May 25, 1996, meeting that \$23.36 left over from the Clarksville chapter's Wal-Mart grant funds (used for Stewart Forest trail) was donated to the Trust for Scott's Gulf. This should have read "Black Fox Wetland League."