

Judy. I will miss you a lot if we don't show up at a few meetings. The rusigned also.

TENNESSEE TRAILS ASSOCIATION

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MINUTES THIRD QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING AUGUST 15, 1998

The meeting was held at Cumberland Mountain State Park, following lunch in the park restaurant and followed by a potluck supper at the home of Rob and Susan Weber in Sequatchie Valley.

Board

Present: Jim Poteet Ninez Giles Arleen Barnett Dave Walton Judy Cleary Wanda Cumberland Debbie Gilbert Denise Charvoz Evelyn Tretter Gloria Norrid Rob Weber . Don Coffman Bertha Chrietzberg Eric Wilson Don Coffman Judith Bartlow Mike Harvey

Not Present Ray Burkett Mary Kelly Barbara Phifer

Also Present Harold Draper James Leininger Jim Johnson David Sims Jenice Johnson Libby Francis Bessie Daniel Suva Bastin Marietta Poteet Bob Barnett Bonnie Green Fount Bertram

The president announced that Judy Cleary is resigning as treasurer and that he has appointed James Leininger to take her place.

Chapter reports: Clarksville - The chapter's widely known J. R. Tate, walking the third time entire Appalachian Trail, had only two states to cover at meeting time. Memphis - "Social hikes" are continuing and have resulted in several new members. Nashville - Chapter has a scheduled hike nearly every week, with more than 50 people at meetings. Murfreesboro - A chapter picnic kicked off a new membership The chapter had a booth at a recent festival on the grounds at Veterans Hospital at Murfreesboro. Upper Cumberland - Meetings are usually planned to coincide with hikes. Plateau - Chapter is carrying on, with 20 people attending a recent picnic.

Gloria Norrid discussed details of the upcoming annual meeting, to be hosted by the Memphis Chapter and held at the Methodist Conference Center on Kentucky Lake near Nathan Bedford Forrest State Park Oct. 30 and 31 and Nov. 1.

Libby Francis said efforts are being made to establish new chapters at Lebanon and Columbia. She said joint hikes are being planned with the Chattanooga Hiking Club.

The president said the board will serve as officer nominating committee. The following were nominated for 1999: President, Jim Poteet; vice president, Arleen Barnett; treasurer, James Leininger; Patty Latta; director-at-large, Bertha Chrietzberg and Libby Francis

The president said Jenice Johnson will take over the data base from Kevin Kimbro.

Bob Barnett requested feedback on a document about the Environmental Action Fund which had been distributed to board members.

The president said the TTA logo should appear on any article sold by the chapters.

The board made the decision to give two TTA Awards, to Governor Don Sundquist for his designation of the Cumberland Trail as a state park, and to the Breakaway organization. Two nominations were made for the Bill Stutz Award, Mike Harvey, Murfreesboro chapter chairman, and the renowned J. R. Tate of the Clarksville chapter. Chapter chairmen will ask their groups for other nominations and the decision will be made later.

Bertha Chrietzberg said the Murfreesboro chapter, hosts for the 1999 annual meeting, will hold it at the Dubose Center, Monteagle.

A motion was passed to advance funds to the Murfreesboro chapter for reservations at the Dubose Center.

Rob Weber discussed details to be worked out by the Cumberland Trail Conference. It is proposed to obtain easements for the trail in four years. Many groups have volunteered to work on this. It is hoped that the state will furnish funding for a few offices for this effort. A contract is being worked out with the state.

There was a discussion on raising the TTA dues to get money to pay people to work on this four-year corridor project. It was felt by some board members that the reason for raising dues should be specifically explained in writing before the idea is brought up by chairmen at their chapter meetings, making it clear that the persons paid by the CTC would be professionals for necessary positions not filled by volunteers.

A tentative budget will be presented to the board before the annual meeting.

Evelyn Tretter, recording secretary

Correction: Minutes of May 16, 1998, third from last paragraph, should read: "The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation has honored Bob Brown with two awards recently - The Lifetime Environmental/Conservation Achievement Award and this year's Governor's Greenways and Trails Award for Trail Development."

Also the names of Eric Wilson and Barbara Phifer were omitted from the list of board members not present.

To: Arleen Barnett
Judith P. Bartlow
Ray D. Burkett
Barbara Phifer
Bertha Chrietzberg
Judy Cleary

Donald E. Coffman Wanda Cumberland Harold M. Draper Debbie Gilbert Ninez Giles Mike Harvey Mary Kelly Gloria Norrid Evelyn Tretter Dave Walton Rob Weber Eric Wilson

The regular quarterly TTA board meeting will be held at 1:00 PM CST on Saturday, August 15, 1998, at Cumberland Mountain State Park near Crossville, TN.

## Preliminary Agenda items:

- (1) Minutes from last meeting.
- (2) Treasurer's report.
- (3) Chapter reports.
- (4) Plans for 1998 Annual Meeting (Memphis Chapter)
- (5) Plans for 1999 Annual Meeting
- (6) CTC Report and discussion of CTSP.
- (7) Big South Fork Master Plan discussion.
- (8) Prospective New Chapters.
- (9) New Treasurer.
- (10) Other Officer Nominations for 1999.
- (11) 1999 Budget.
- (12) EAF Issue Ranking Survey (see enclosed)

Please let me know of any additional agenda items.

Looking forward to seeing you on the 15th. Thanks.

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