

Tennessee Trails Association
Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes
October 30, 2016
Pickwick Landing State Park
Pickwick, TN

REVIEW COPY

Joan Hartvigsen was TTA's Secretary; subbing for Diane Manas; during the Sun, Oct 30 Bd Mtg. Please review the minutes below from Sun, Oct 30 Bd Mtg and send revisions ASAP to both Jackie (new Secretary as of Jan 1, 2017), Carolyn Miller & Joan Hartvigsen. Revisions not received on or before this Sat, Feb 4 will need to be presented during the Sunday, October 30, 2016 Board of Directors' meeting at REI - Brentwood

PRESENT: Carolyn Miller, Bruce Whitehead, Kathy Woods, Tim Townley, Garnett Rush, Joan Hartvigsen, Ken Johnson, Mary Etta Ward, Sara Pollard, Doug Burroughs, Cheryl Heckler, Louise Miniard, Bob Richards

ABSENT: Diane Manas, Margaret Dixon, Millette Jones, Don Dresser, Carolyn Watson, Rosemary Marshall, Naullain Kendrick, Vicky Moeller, Charlie Bright, Ed & Donna Pyers, Sally Ticaric, Bob Crouch.

GUESTS PRESENT: Jim Poteet, Tom Bentley, Rob Weber

Meeting called to order by Carolyn Miller, TTA President, at 9:00 a.m.

Welcome New Officers: Jackie York, Nashville Chapter, Secretary. Cheryl Heckler, Plateau Chapter, Membership Director. Mary Etta Ward, Highland Rim Chair-Elect.

Approval of 3rd Quarter Minutes – Joan Hartvigsen (for Diane Manas). A MOTION to approve the minutes was made by Garnett Rush and seconded by Tim Townley. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Kathy Woods

The Treasurer's Report was circulated by email prior to meeting for review. <attached> There was a brief discussion of investing some of the TTA money. Don Dresser serves on the Finance Committee.

Membership Report – Tim Townley

The Membership Report was circulated by email prior to the meeting for review <attached> Members can sign up to receive the TTA Newsletter by both email and U.S. Postal Service. Ken Johnson said some Clarksville Chapter members are unhappy about the long delay in cash checking and the discontinuation of Newsletter receipt. There is a six weeks delay in cashing checks and renewing memberships. Chapter Chairs/Chapter Membership Directors should remind their Chapter Members to renew two months prior to membership expiration. The membership expiration date is on the newsletter mailing label. CTC and TTA renewals were discussed. With a TTA Membership a person can purchase a CTC membership for an additional \$5.00. However, the reverse will be phased out and a person purchasing a CTC Membership will be required to pay the full TTA membership fee rather than just an additional \$5.00.

Ken Johnson requested that Rob Weber present a program on the Cumberland Trail to the Clarksville Chapter. Instead, Mark Ritchie and Jim Johnson were named as potential Cumberland Trail Program Presenters.

Annual Meeting Summary –Charlie Bright (absent)

Carolyn Miller requested that Charlie Bright provide the information on the Annual Meeting Summary prior to November 10 for the December 2016 Newsletter.

TTA/CTC Update – Rob Weber

The March 2017 BreakAway Program was discussed. College students on Spring Break build new sections of the Cumberland Trail. Many adult volunteers are needed. The training is free and the lodging is very nice. CTC was encouraged to apply for an Evans Means Grant prior to December 31, 2016. The BreakAway Program is expensive but very rewarding.

Request for Budget Items for 2017 –

MOTIONS

MOTION to authorize up to \$500.00 for Microsoft Access Data Base Software for TTA Membership Director made by Tim Townley. Seconded by Bruce Whitehead. Motion carried.

MOTION to authorize an additional \$1,000 for deposit to reserve DuBose Conference Center, Monteagle, TN October 13-15, 2017 TTA Annual Meeting, made by Louise Miniard. Seconded by Kathy Woods. Motion carried.

MOTION to schedule the 2017 TTA Board Meetings for February 4, April 29, August 5, and October 15 made by Cheryl Heckler, seconded by Bob Richards. Motion carried. Doug Burroughs will contact REI about reserving their Community Room for 1:00 p.m. for February 4, April 29, and August 5.

TTA Website

TTA has budgeted up to \$10,000 to design a new TTA Website. Doug Burroughs and Jim Poteet are on the Website Committee. Bob Richards will contact his brother for a quote to design the new TTA Website. Jim Poteet left the meeting prior to the discussion on the TTA Website.

ACTION ITEM: Tim Townley volunteered to draft a survey of TTA Members to learn needs for updated TTA Website. The survey will be in the January 2017 TTA Newsletter.

Don Dresser has a TTA Facebook Page.

Agenda Items for the February 4, 2017 TTA Board Meeting

Evans Means Grant Recipients
Website Update and Survey Results
\$5,000 budget for Evans Means Grants

The CTC has surplus Cumberland Odyssey Books available at the Crossville CTC Office.

Bruce Whitehead will review TTA's Bylaws and Mission Statement for the February Meeting.

Motion by Carolyn Miller to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Joan Hartvigsen. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:39 a.m.

Respectfully Recorded,
Joan Hartvigsen for Diane Manas
Secretary, Tennessee Trails Association