

Minutes of Friends of Rock Bridge Memorial State Park
Meeting June 13, 2016

present – Kevin Roberson, Sara Whiting, Jan Weaver, Scott Schulte
Ex office- Sarah Jones
Guest: Lynne Hooper

1. Call to Order 6:34

- Quorum is present

2. Roll Call

3. Agenda

4. Minutes

5. Reports

a. Park Report– Sarah Jones

1. \$50K money to repair boardwalk (not sure if we can use state construction or will have to contract out)
2. Roxie found orchid/flower that had not been previously document in park during invasive plant removal with SPYC employees
3. Roxie purchased inflatable kayak to do cave tours/surveys
4. Busy with Katy trail ride
5. Arkansas State Parks came to visit the Katy trail to get ideas for their similar trail system
6. Travelers media group came to tour Katy trail
7. Cave tours at Connor's cave have been postponed indefinitely due to white nose syndrome
8. Park is about a week away from getting own Facebook page
9. Open house is in July

b. Treasurer's Report

1. \$1600 donated from Downtown Optimists Club for Nature Detectives

6. Old Business

a. Chancellor's Luncheon

1. Collected emails to send copies of "The Bridge" newsletter
2. Got 9 email addresses, also 2 people wanted to volunteer for FoRB
3. Bedford walk (new retirement home) wants to bring seniors to park
4. Met man who runs MU botanical gardens and has email list of about 300 people, and we can forward him emails to send to group

7. New Business

a. Invasive plants

1. Roxie will run an invasive species workshop to help identification

b. New Members

1. May get a few members from Chancellor's luncheon

c. Men's picnic

1. Picnic will be in July, Kevin will be attending on behalf of ABC labs
2. Usually FoRB gets donation after picnic

d. Lynne Hooper

1. 40 years in Columbia area
2. Works for boone county storm water district
3. Master's degree in watershed management
4. Missouri master naturalist

5. Worked with Jan on Missouri River Relief
6. Approved by current board as newest board member

e. Jim Weaver

1. Thanks go to Jim for his service with the board
3. He always kept our meetings on track and provided guidance on how to properly run things
4. We wish him the best with his future endeavors

f. Park sales tax

1. Need to promote because it is up for Missouri state voting (every 10 years)

8. Comments

Park is considering an Americorps (8-12 people) group this fall (they would be at park for 8-12 weeks), but may need help from Friends group to host meal. Also need help training the group in invasive species removal.

9. Adjournment