

Rustic Ridge Board Meeting

Draft Minutes for July 19, 2016 Meeting

The meeting of the Rustic Ridge Association Board of Directors began shortly after 5PM as a conference call. Participating in the call were: Bob Ziegenhagen, Carol Ziegenhagen, Martha Schoonover, Lucy Livingston, Doug Denise, Catherine Broadhead and Bill Young

Previous Meeting Minutes

The April Board Meeting minutes were approved with one revision, that being to rename the Town Representative position to Town Liaison. Bob Ziegenhagen will make the change on the minutes and post the document on the website.

Bylaw Revisions

Martha Schoonover, as chairperson of the Bylaw Update Committee led a discussion of the proposed changes to the bylaws. Some changes to the draft were proposed and agreed upon concerning voting privileges for Associate members. The proposed Bylaws as amended were unanimously approved for presentation to the Ridge Members at the Annual Meeting. Martha will forward a revised copy to the Lucy. She added that we need to forward the proposed Bylaw changes to our membership at least 10 days before the Annual Meeting.

Budget for 2016-17

Carol Ziegenhagen summarized the key points in the budget for the current and upcoming year. Carol and others noted some revisions that will be made in the current 2015-2016 budget in the coming days before the end of the fiscal year.

Carol proposed a new expense for the 2016-17 budget that is not currently funded, a three-year project to eliminate an invasive species, Japanese Knotwood, from the 5 Acre property. The total cost of remediation should be in the range of \$3,000. A consensus developed that we should start remediation beginning this calendar year and add a line item in the 2016-17 budget. Carol will get a firm cost estimate for the project and communicate this to the Board as soon as possible. An additional Board meeting was suggested when the data is available. Bob will create graphic materials to show the membership what is involved. In particular, he will photograph the infested area and as well as a similarly infested area at Wanamaker Lake. We discussed asking for special donations to help fund this expense.

Board Nominations

Nomination for the 2016-17 Board are not complete at this point, with confirming phone calls still to be made. The process should be finished quite soon.

With Joanna Walker rotating off, Bob Ziegenhagen will be proposed as Clerk and Barbara Walker will be proposed as Asst. Clerk.

Campus Disposition – Lucy Hann announced the formation of the Moody Center on a portion of the Northfield Campus. Lucy read from a Dave Powell letter attached here for reference. The Board expressed great pleasure with this development.

Closure

The phone conference call was brought to an end at 6:20pm.