

NSS-CDS BOD MEETING MINUTES September 10, 2023

Quorum: Yes

BOD Present: Same LeFlore (SL), Gayle Hall (GH), Terry DeRouin (TD), Mark Schroder (MS), James Chandler (JC), Tim Waldo (TW), Renee Powers (RP)

BOD Absent: Max Kuznetsov (MK)

Members Present: Barbara Dwyer (BD), Brandon Wolters (BW), Cameron Mahaffey (CM), Spencer C (SC)

Call to Order: 8:02

Motion to approve minutes from August, approved.

Treasurer Report:

GH any questions on Treasurer Report, no issues

Dema: 64 days out from DEMA, reported GH, Fred Stratton, MS, and Pam Wooten confirmed for volunteers. Jim Wyatt will also assist. Will have a zoom in the next couple of weeks. Also reports that we have a great design for the T-shirt including art by Fan Ping and Strech Altenhein. Ordering 100 shirts for this year, sold out of the 50 from last year by 2nd day of the event. Will have a phone call/zoom to coordinate booth supplies, transportation to the event and setup/teardown.

Adam voiced concern over DEMA confusing the CDS with NACD and that there might be additional confusion on site at the event, if approached please see Adam or Gayle.

Adam Highlights:

AH discussed insurance renewals, "unrelated business income" IE non-profit income that could endanger our non-profit status. Ultimately BOD members cannot pay for items such as a booth, it must be a donation. Raffles also must be treated as a donation. BOD members are allowed into events, if they pay it is considered income for the organization.

Insurance is up to date; all BOD members are now listed as well as property managers. Taxes have already been filed. All financial and insurance are good till next year.

Store:

AH had updates on t-shirt designs... have quotes out for t-shirts, tumblers, hats, license plates patches, stickers and other miscellaneous. Staying under budget to allow for workshop purchases as well. Also planning on t-shirts designed for women. JC also mentioned water bottles and additional discussion on ball caps.

Training:

RP posted in chat that there were 120 certifications to date. SL stated that DPV standards were being worked on and that Jim Wyatt was working on cleaning up version control of the training material.

State Parks:

TD has been working with the various park managers, Madison was reported as clear (post hurricane); Peacock had extensive damage. Said that he was heading down the following week to get materials delivered for the cleanup projects. There were over 20 volunteers ready to go on the cleanups. The picnic tables were going to be removed by the park (Madison). Additional discussion on the tank benches at Madison.

Wakulla has been no movement, no one returning calls and new manager hasn't been appointed.

Little River has no updates from the storm, though county is planning on repairing stairs in the spring. Discussion was had concerning who was managing the park for the county. AH provided that information: Gregg Scott Suwannee Parks & Recreation and will provide that via email.

Updates from Barbara

Had a question concerning MailChimp, SL planning on call with MC sales to make sure he picks the right plan in the next week.

Final Thoughts

GH had questions about rope in COW and plans to replace/repair it. SL has rope to donate for replacement but unsure of length. SL stated that he will speak with Cameron.

GH had questions about the benefits of CDS membership. SL said that the higher level on a mail chimp plan will allow for emails to be sent for renewals/expired membership.

TD suggested that volunteers get free admission to winter workshop and asked that they be recognized in UWS. SL mentioned that Winter Workshop would be free for members this year (they will still have to buy a shirt if they want one)

GH suggested several reasons that could be listed as reasons for membership.

TW suggested a t-shirt for volunteers (I helped NSS-CDS clean up X X X) JC suggested "I helped NSS-CDS clean up Idalia's mess."

TD jumped back to rope in Cow and offered to donate line as well.

SL will initiate an email on "why to be a CDS member", would like to add a page to the website with same theme.

SL Motion to adjourn, JC 2nd, all aye

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