



Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park
Board Meeting Minutes
April 3, 2023 Delnor-Wiggins State Park

Board Members Present:	Yes	No		Yes	No
			Kim Braham-		
Ursula Gibbons - President	X		Moody	X	
Janice Kmetz - Vice President	X		Valerie Thompson	X	
			Kim		
Donna Graham - Secretary	X		Finer		X
Eric Cosentino - Treasurer	X		Donna Wallin	X	
Amy Modglin - Membership	X				

Park Staff In Attendance

Terrance Torvund Pk Mgr	X
David Baniak Pk Service Spec.	X

Others in Attendance

Alicia Astorga	X
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The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. by Ursula Gibbons

President's Report

Ursula stated that she had been busy but would give her report during the Committee reports.

Vice President's Report

Janice reported that she had sent out several thank-you notes as requested.

Secretary's Report

A motion was made by Janice Kmetz to accept the minutes of the March 6, 2023 meeting

Seconded by Val Thompson

Vote **Approved** Unanimous Vote
 Declined
 Abstained

Treasurer's Report

As of the end of February, total assets were up 153% year over year to \$219,292. Direct public support was up 32.9%, memberships were up 51.8%, Net income was up 4.5% in the last 12 months. Expenses were down 5.1% year over year and new income was up 9.2% for the same time period.

Membership Chair Report Amy

Total Members	210
Seagull Level (\$50)	57
Manatee Level (\$100)	50
Dolphin Level (\$250)	6
Osprey Level (\$500)	0
Sea Turtle Level (\$1,000)	3

Membership Campaign:

1. Retention
2. Educate - Referral "That's What Friends Are For" starting the end of the 2nd Quarter

Donna Wallin made a motion to approve the referral program

Eric 2nd the motion

Discussion: There is to be a drawing at the end of each quarter for those qualifying with referrals.

Prize will be the winner's choice of a t-shirt, hat or critter

Vote:

For: 5

Against: 2

Abstain: 1

Park Manager's Report - Terrance

Terrance reported on his discussions with Tallahassee regarding the possible opening of the park and conditions that must be met.

He will continue to update the board as he receives information.

Terrance and Donna Graham reported on the upcoming receipt of a donation from the Shelling Club in Bonita Springs.

Donna & David will be in attendance on April 6th for this presentation. The funds will go towards a beach wheelchair.

Terrance requested funds for the purchase of a riding blower (\$10,800), paint-restripping of parking lots 1 & 2 (\$5,000) and additional funds for the purchase of the beach wheelchair.

Janice Kmetz made the motion to approve funds in the amount of \$19,000 for the blower, painting and additional funds for the wheelchair.

Kim Braham-Moody 2nd the motion

Unanimous Approval

Committee Report

Brochure/Newsletter Committee (Donna Wallin & Janice Kmetz)

A photo shoot was held with kids on the beach in t-shirts for the brochure. Donna requested input for the newsletter from Terrance, and committee chairs.

Adopt-A-Nest (Ursula Gibbons)

29 @ \$250 level

1 @ 500 level

32 Hatchings

Ursula presented the new shark as an addition to the critters.

Amy Modglin made the motion to add the shark

Val Thompson 2nd

Passed Unanimous

Merchandise (Amy Modglin)

Three orders have been placed for t-shirts. One order is going to be used for the membership meeting. Sales are going very well.

Donna Wallin is taking over the hats.

David Baniak reported that there will be no Ocean Kids this year. They must be able to provide shelter for the kids in the event of inclement weather. However, they want to provide assistance in the future. There were 2 workdays, The first was for turtle cages with approximately 12 volunteers and board members. The second was cages and beach cleanup. There are now 27 cages ready for occupancy. There will be additional workdays upcoming. He also stated that wood would be purchased for the wooden trash bins. He also stated the TFR workers would be attending the membership luncheon. He asked Donna Wallin to prepare appreciation certificates for them.

Old Business

Friends Membership Meeting - Ursula Gibbons

Discussed the room size, donation to church, food/food truck and current attendees being approximately 53. Suggested donation was \$200 if larger room used and \$100 for regular room.

New Business

- A. Beach Cam - Tabled
- B. Communication Outreach - Ursula stated that she would like to shift our focus to attending area events to provide exposure for the Friends Group and the park.
- C. Programs - Ursula and David want to look into setting up a Kids Club/Jr. Ranger program. Other possibilities were brought up such as a Little Library, which Terrance will have to run by the District, bring Yoga back to the beach.
- D. May Board Meeting - Ursula recommended we have a May meeting in the event the park is set to open.

With no further business a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kim Braham-Moody.

Seconded by Janice Kmetz

The meeting was adjourned at 11:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Donna Graham
Secretary

Approved: *April 3, 2023*