

## Membership Meeting

### Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park

**Monday, April 8, 2013  
10:00 AM in the CSO Room**

Meeting Opener – 50/50 – Alliene Liden

Meeting called to order at 10:10 AM by Marcia Byrd

Three board members along with Park Manager and Park Specialist

Introduction of new members and the board.

Reading and approval of minutes from the March 2013 membership meeting

#### **Reports from officers and staff:**

**President-** Nature Festival was a great success. Update on boardwalk given

**Vice President-** Larry continues to work on the permitting for the Boardwalk. He has sent information back to the one company that has bid. Bob relayed costs for permitting for making the Board walk accessible (he has funds from the state this year to start this process). It was very expensive and the process will be very time consuming.

**Treasurer-** The treasurer provided a preliminary report for the Nature Festival as well as current accounts. Friends of Del-Nor Wiggins Pass State Park--

Treasurer's Report for Members Meeting, April 9, 2013

Current Account Balances

#### **Wells Fargo Bank—**

Checking—	4932.90
Money Market—	2776.00

#### **Everbank—**

Money Market--	34146.04
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Major income since last meeting

Bonita Springs Shell Club	900.00
February Gate Donations	213.85
March Gate Donations	204.72
Memberships	275.00
Artists Commissions	500.00

Major Expenses since the last meeting

Tablecloth with Friends Logo	183.51
Cabinet with Lock	84.79

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Television and Mount for Rangers	342.56
Marketing—Nature Festival	200.00
Flooring for Bob's Office	418.00
Gate Donation to Park for Nature Fest.	710.00

**Yet to be deposited (Preliminary)**

Profit from Nature Festival	
Gate Receipts	1856.05
Popcorn	48.00
Paint T-shirts	115.00
Ice Cream	272.00
T-Shirts, Note Cards, and Pins	213.50
Donations	48.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>2552.55</b>

**Park Manager-** Bob reported on the dredging work that is to be completed by the beginning of May. He showed us the specifics of where the beach restoration will be. He also reminded Friends of the new park podcasts developed by FGCU interns. They can be found at [delnorwiggin.org](http://delnorwiggin.org). He reported on the work to be done by the consultants for ADA compliance with approved state funding. The part was full for the Nature Fest and rangers contributed knowledge and skills to the activities. New activities on the water enhanced the projects and exhibits at the beach. David Eastlake has researched and procured a sign for the turtle at the Ranger Station. Bob reported that rangers are looking for an appropriate piece of driftwood to mount the sign.

**Park Service Specialist- Report on Nature Festival—**Donna Young reported on the success of the Nature Fest. Many new volunteers from FGCU helped with activities, sales and projects like the podcast. Friends volunteers staffed many of the tables. Feedback from participants was excellent and attendance came from both the parking lot and the beach. Donna will hold a debriefing meeting to make plans for next year. New activities such as the t-shirt painting generated interest and income.

Donna report that Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> will be Bay Days at 8 a.m. Meet at the boat launch.

**Committee Reports:**

**Calendar – upcoming events** –The May 13 meeting will be at 11 a.m. We will have a short meeting and a Weiner Roast.

**Turtle naming/sign update – Alliene, David** -- There are over 200 names submitted for the turtle. The decision will be made on April 22. The winner will be featured on our web site

**Website – how to order shirts on our website—**By May, we'll be able to order t-shirts by downloading the form from the website.

**Unfinished Business:** A few polo shirts will need to be picked up  
Sell visors and caps

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**New Business:** None

**Adjourn**

**Program by Donna's son from the DEP in South Fort Myers.** Ryan Young, Biologist works on Ecosystem Assessment and Restoration. He gave an informative talk on what he does.

Ann Petrillo

Secretary

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