

Tennessee Park Rangers Association
Annual Board Meeting
February 5, 2013
6:00 PM, Henry Horton State Park

- I. Presentation and awards at dinner.
- II. Call to Order
- III. Roll Call and Attendance

Board Members

Crystal Rich
Andy Wright
Rachel Lee
Keith Wimberly
Brad Halfacre
Walter Pope
Jeff Nicholson
Justin King
Bridget C. Lofgren
Monica Johnson
Ray Cutcher
Bill Knapp

Members

Jason Reynolds
Travis Bow
Mark Taylor
Bill Summers
Erin Medley
Hannah Paschall
Steve Smith
Damon Graham
Brent Smith
Shawn Hughes
Ryan Forbess
Jane Switzer
Mike Robertson
Chris Padgett

IV. Secretary's Report

- A. Minutes being sent by e-mail.

V. Treasurer's Report

- A. Jeff present bank statement

1. \$51,877.53 in scholarship fund, paid \$14,232.44 in scholarships.
2. \$3,307.43 in checking account
3. Purchased #1 Rifle at \$740.92
4. Savage Gulf Marathon \$1251.00
5. Byrd Creek raised \$3,076.06.
6. BRAT Spring Ride raised \$1000.00
7. BRAT raised \$7,000.00
8. Coin Sales \$50.00
9. Flowers sent \$401.00
10. Membership 96 paid members
11. Administrative Costs - \$498.11
12. Total Balance - \$55,901.20, statement attached.

- B. Treasurer's Report was approved and seconded.

VI. Old Business

- A. Scholarship -meeting after annual meeting.

1. Idea of bringing in a good keynote speaker to inservices that would benefit all rangers.
2. BRAT funds will always go to Scholarship Fund, other events will go into the General Fund unless the Scholarship Fund drops below \$50,000.

B. Fitness

1. Holding fitness initiative gets harder every year, thoughts of combining it with the Ranger Program to help continue it.
2. Incentives to promote more participation.
3. Purpose is to promote healthier lifestyles to perform throughout a ranger's career.
4. Start awarding prizes for the best in each event, overall, etc.
5. Possibly set a meeting with new management and discuss the new and different possibilities.

C. Legislative - Retirement Bill being presented to governor to be added into the budget.

1. What is our "Time Frame"?
2. Do we look at a lobbyist again, to help showcase the study results. Ranger participation by writing and contacting their representatives.
3. The legal ramifications, our Legislative liaison is Ryan.

D. Events

1. Spring BRAT, April 19 & 20 in West TN from Paris.
2. Fall BRAT will be in West TN.
3. Look into adding another run, a family event.
4. Cummins Falls Marathon is Feb 23.
5. Savage Gulf is March 16.
6. Byrd Creek is May 4.

E. Website has been updated and post dated.

VII. New Business

A. Number 1 Rifle- what should TPRA do with it?

1. Options- Sealed bid, Raffle (gaming issues), brainstorm ideas.
2. Membership Drive- if we reach 175 ranger membership in TPRA by rifle. April 1, then we draw a name from the paid members for the rifle. Send e-mails, notify field.

B. Interpretive Specialist title and DoHR

1. Clarification- will reclass all Park Interpretive Specialist IIs and IIs to a Park Ranger title.
2. Park Interpretive Specialist III will be retained for 3 regional positions.
3. The job specifications are the same except for the 1 year probation. This will combine into 1 job title making hiring and lateral transfers easier.

C. Lateral Transfers- interested

employees should apply for position on requisitions, per Mike R. (Has changed)

would be willing to facilitate vendor fees?
meeting to discuss in more detail about
and deposits and footwork.

D. "Step Back in Time"

1. Shane had asked if TPRA
Invite Shane to next
payments

for 2013 -

May 7th - Radnor Lake SNA

August 20th - Cumberland Mountain State Park

November 19th - Montgomery Bell State Park

VIII. Meeting Adjourned.

E. Meeting Dates