

Tennessee Park Rangers' Association
Board Meeting
05/07/13
6:00 PM Central, Radnor Lake State Natural Area

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call and Attendance

Board Members Present:

Andy Wright
Bridget Lofgren
Rachel Lee
Keith Wimberly
Justin King
Brad Halfacre
Walter Pope
Jeff Nicholson
Ray Cutcher

Members Present:

Bill Loewer
Brendell Addison
Mark Taylor

III. Minutes

- A. Minutes were reviewed and passed.
- B. Step Back In Time discussion began, but was tabled until Shane Petty could be present to explain.

IV. Treasurer Report

- A. See attached statement.
 1. BRAT has its own account, own checks and card. Transferred \$2,500.00 into the account to open and to maintain as a minimum.
 2. Paypal has a \$15.00 fee every month.
 3. Treasurer Report was approved.

V. Old Business

- A. Retirement Legislation
 1. Retirement Bill has a sponsor from the Senate/Speaker ProTem. Ryan Jenkins has the contact through Tres Whittum.
 2. Is Comm. Martineau including or not including the adjustment in the budget?
 3. Need to broaden our study through UTM, play to the sympathy of the people, what we have to do and where to go from here.

VI. New Business:

- A. Executive Service
 1. What is the feeling from the field?
 2. Why is it happening, insecurity in management positions
 3. TPRA should compose a letter to the administration to voice our concerns and thoughts about decisions. These can be on positive changes or decision or negative ones. A summary of changes every quarter and the Associations view.

B. Rifle Give Away

1. We did not meet our membership goal to give away the rifle.
2. Vote was to not give it away, but wait and try again next year with more promotion.
3. Have donated prizes for every inservice to give away at the dinner, as door prizes or a big prize.
4. Give away donated prize from Ronnie Douglas at the August 20 meeting, if you are a member by August 15, you are eligible. Weekend in Gatlinburg Prize.
5. The rifle will be given away next year, if we reach our membership goal of 175 members by the May 2014 meeting.
6. To help promote the TPRA, turn minutes each meeting into an article for the Ranger Station Newsletter.
7. Board Members are not to be eligible for give aways. Vote was 8 Yes, 1 Abstained.

C. Fitness Challenge

1. Dep. Comm Hill wants the Fitness Challenge to be participated in by everyone next one. It will be a required event at 2014 Inservice.

D. Retirements

1. Plaque for Edna to be presented at the August Meeting. Bridget is sending the invitation to Edna to attend the meeting.

E. 2nd Rifle Orders

1. Get Jeremy Vaden to set a start and end date, and get orders to him. Jeff will take care of amounts.

F. Support the Arrowhead and the LE Patch.

G. Board Members Activity

1. Make sure all elected board members are active and take a proactive measure to those who have not participated in meetings on a regular basis.

H. Send a letter to Park Manager Christof in support of the Savage Gulf Marathon.

VII. Adjournment

- A. Andy Wright adjourned the meeting. Next meeting August 20, 10 AM at Cumberland Mountain State Park.