

## FLNC Minutes 06-12-13

Attendance: Sue Herrmann, Anne Demarais, Teresita Bastides-Heron, Virginia Tomat Kelly, Janet Kane, Steve Groeger, John Gaskins, Pam Mount

Newsletter: The goal is to make it a monthly newsletter and each board meeting would be an opportunity to talk about the upcoming contents, including the calendar. Information about the Summer Solstice celebration at 7 pm on June 21<sup>st</sup> should be on the next one. The Sustainable Lawrence event at 1-4 pm on June 22<sup>nd</sup>, Garbage In/Garbage Out Workshop, will be at the Nature Center and in the newsletter—subsequent events probably should not be listed. All five of the July Summer Family Nights will be mentioned as well. And then August events will be in the July newsletter. We will mention that the deck project is proceeding and that donations and volunteers are welcome.

Summer Family Nights Provisions: The tradition is to allocate \$20 per event which we will continue to do. We won't be buying refreshments for the Summer Solstice Celebration.

August schedule vacancies: Teresita will talk soon with Mrs. Mao re decorative Chinese knotting about filling one of these schedule spaces. She would also like to talk to Solarman about doing a program to fill one of these spaces. Anne is also talking with some other possible presenters for August.

Meeting minutes: The vote was unanimous to correct the exact nature of the Ben Franklin Elementary School award as coming from the National Wildlife Federation and then accept the meeting minutes.

Board membership and quorums: Board members often don't attend meetings so we have to consider how to handle this. And we need to consider how to handle the failure to obtain a quorum at meetings. We could vote to remove board members so as to reduce the minimum needed for a quorum. It was agreed to talk to some of the board members and ask them if they would be willing to step down to reduce the size of the quorum.

Trails and Greenway: They have a project involving trail upgrades from Fairfield to Murray Park and this would be a great Boy or Girl Scout project.

Mother Nature Festival Report: Despite the awful weather, we got 20 tables and most attendees said they would come back. Bossio's and Pam Mount filled in with food after Candela's Restaurant cancelled on us at the last moment. We made \$148 on food, much

of a donation from sales of food from Pam, which could be used for Summer Family Nights refreshments.

Education Committee Report: The minutes of the Education Committee will be posted to our website.

Submitted, John Gaskins