

FLNC Meeting Minutes 05-08-13

Attendance: Anne Demarais, Janet Kane, Teresita Bastides-Heron, Nina Burghardt, Steve Groeger, Virginia Kelly, Dave Bosted, Pam Mount, John Gaskins

Nina Burghardt: She is proposing a mushroom identification session for about 10-15 adults. FLNC and mycological society people could meet. We would have at least 2 microscopes. Mr. Bosted noted that the publicity would need to say clearly “adults only”. Nina Burghardt suggests a Monday date such as September 9th from 7-9pm, with a title, “Mushroom Identification for Adults”.

Deck Money Business: HDR has gotten real numbers for the materials and the total is \$20,000, or \$15,000 without pavers. The good news is that the Lawrence Community Foundation gave \$2500. Steve noted that we need to make a decision because work is supposed to start this Saturday. All voted in favor of foregoing the pavers.

Mother Nature Festival Rain situation: Steve suggests doing already designated indoor events only if it rains, and making that clear to possible participants and have the publicity instruct people to check the website in the morning.

Mother Nature Festival Scout Honorees: It was generally agreed that we don't need the troop number and year for the Boy and Girl Scouts to mention and honor them at the festival.

Meeting Minutes: All voted in favor of accepting the original minutes for March 2013, amended with the addition of two calendar dates. All voted to accept the minutes for April 2013.

Bench Vandalism: Two benches have been taken away and broken up in the area of the sand pit. Teresita will blog on the Lawrence Patch about this issue.

Sustainable Lawrence and the Green Team: They will have events about food and gardening, Saturdays in May from 1-4pm at Terhune Orchards. In June the events will be Saturdays from 1-4 pm at Lawrence Nature Center, and will concern trash and recycling. Starting July 13th the events will be Saturdays at the same time at the Lawrence Headquarters Branch of the Mercer Library system and will cover energy issues.

Benjamin Franklin Elementary School is the only school in the state which has gotten “Green Flag” status from the National Wildlife Federation.

Summer Family Nights: There was some discussion of programs and we are soliciting ideas and firming up the schedule.

Submitted,

John Gaskins