

# FLNC Meeting Minutes 03-12-14

Attendance: Anne Demarais, Virginia Kelly, Brittany Scott, Sue Scott, Dave Bosted, John Dix, Giovanna Kelly, Janet Kane, Sue Herrmann, Rick Dutko, Teresita Bastides-Heron, Steve Groeger, John Gaskins

Minutes: The minutes were approved as written.

Calendar: Every Wednesday in March students from the Newgrange School in Hamilton have been doing service work here with Sue.

Tuesday March 25<sup>th</sup> is Box Day at the Princeton Day School, when we can get free books from the Bryn Mawr Sale.

Rick will have an Earth Day hike here on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 pm.

On April 26<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 am – 12 noon, the Shade Tree Commission will have an Arbor Day event here.

On March 29<sup>th</sup> in the evening Earth Hour will be observed here, from 8:00-9:00 pm.

March 29<sup>th</sup> will see the Living Local Expo, by Sustainable Lawrence, at the Armory. Do we want to have a table? Sue will be there some of the time and others will help out.

Scout Projects: Brittany Scott would like to do a Silver project. Nesting boxes would be an idea. Geocaching is another idea. This must be done around the end of September.

Andre Riberio has sent out plans for handicapped accessible picnic tables for his Eagle Scout Project. We might want 5 or 6 tables but only 1 handicapped is probably needed. Securing the tables is an issue and these should be stained. The plans will be sent to Steve.

We are waiting for David Patterson to tell us which project he wants to do.

Carter Williams sent a plan to do a platform for the beehives.

Mother Nature Festival: Teresita gave the report. The event will be held Saturday May 10<sup>th</sup>, from 11 am to 4 pm.

Rainbow and Giggles will attend and they do face painting and balloon art. The only paid participant will be the Philadelphia Zoo; they will do the Wild Animal Show. Dave Bosted will have a table on bamboo. Nick Bosted will talk about trails. We are awaiting a response from a gentleman who adds electric conversion kits to bicycles. Mercer County soil conservation will come. Mike Erdie will demonstrate how to make Appalachian brooms. We will have three water ambassadors doing things like rain gardens and rain barrels. Noemi de la Puerta will have her table and display re reducing plastic bag use. The outdoor art team has been invited. Solarman is coming.

Do we want a DEP mascot? We would need two kids to play the role. We could have an owl or a squirrel. We decided we want the owl.

Terhune Orchards will probably provide the food.

Two groups music declined. We are awaiting a reply from Eli the Hawk. We may have some high school students perform too.

We have asked ETS for volunteers for preparing the grounds.

Deck: The next step may require hiring a mason. Perhaps volunteers can do this work. Steve will try to find out from the contractor what is involved.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 pm.

Submitted,

John Gaskins