

Spring Creek Coalition
Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
December 08, 2016

The meeting of the Board of Directors of Spring Creek Coalition (“SCC”) was held on Thursday December 8th at the Schusterman Library in Tulsa. The following board members were present: Beth Rooney, Cheryl Cheadle, Jessica Spencer, Casey Ferguson, and George Kamp. Guests David Martinez, Martin Rooney and Cindy Sutton were also present. The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m.

Goal #5: Board Sustainability: The board welcomed Cindy Sutton, a potential future board member.

Approval of November’s Board Minutes: Approved after motion and second.

Treasurer’s Report: Beth reported a balance of \$4,458 as of 12/02/16 (\$90 in calendar sales).

Goal #1: Build a Coalition:

- a. Annual Meeting: The 2017 annual meeting will be held at Peggs Community Center on January 14th, from 1:00-2:30 pm. The board discussed the agenda for the meeting, as well as essential items to bring. Brandon Brown, from ODWC, will be speaking, but will not be showing the Yellowstone video discussed during the November board meeting. Cheryl and Casey will run the silent auction, and numerous board members plan to bring items to sell. The meeting will be advertised through press releases, email reminders, the Peggs Community Center marquis sign, and Facebook.
- b. December Newsletter: The December newsletter had been delayed. It will be printed in time to be mailed right after Christmas.
- c. Isopods Seminar Alexander Hess, a graduate student working under TU professor Dr. Ron Bonett, gave the board an overview of a seminar he would like to present on isopods (crustaceans), his field of study. The board set a date of April 22, 10am-noon for this seminar.

Goal #2: Science, GIS Mapping Project with TCC: Professor Sheila McGinty’s students will present the GIS mapping project on Thursday, December 15 at 6:00 PM at the downtown TCC campus. Several board members will attend.

Goal #6: Watershed Wooden Signs: Beth updated the board on the plan to post wooden signs. The Rowland family told Beth that the family is not interested in allowing the signs on their property. Beth will check on one other potential location to put the sign.

Goal #7: Find ways to reduce trash:

- a. Reusable totes: The board will order reusable totes with the SCC logo and different colored handles. The bags will be sold at the annual meeting; a suggested price was \$8 each or three for \$20.

Other:

- a. Conservation easements: The board further discussed Jay Pruett's educational presentation on conservation easements. The presentation will most likely take place twice, once in Tulsa and once in Peggs. The date and time are yet to be determined.
- b. Bus tour: The board further discussed goal priorities and the possibility of still having a creek bus tour along with other priorities. We talked about the need to set 5 year goals in addition to 1 year goals during our goal-planning sessions in 2017.
- c. Thank you to Tom Russell: Board took a photo with giant thank you letters they created to thank Tom Russell for financing the board's printing needs this year.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m. Our next regular meeting will be Thursday, February 9, 6:15-7:45 PM at the Schusterman Library.

Respectfully submitted by C. Ferguson, Secretary.