

**MINUTES-FRIENDS OF DONALD PARK, INC. MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:  
12/16/08**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Board: Ted Bailey, Jay Gullixson, Roger Parr, Ron Rassner, Dave Schreiber, Donna Thomas. Recording Secretary B. Hartman

Meeting was called order by Ron Rassner at 6:25 P.M. Jay Gullixson was welcomed as our newest board member. Dave Schreiber arrived a little later due to bad weather and continued leading the meeting.

**REVIEW AGENDA:** Agenda approved as submitted.

**MINUTES:** Motion by T.Bailey/R.Parr to approve November 18, 2008 meeting minutes as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:** None

**APPEARANCES:** None

**REPORTS**

**SECRETARY REPORT:** No Report

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Ted Bailey reported a balance of \$18,711.56 in our bank account which after payment of recent bills in the amount of \$1,471.93. A request for \$2,505.89 has been made from the endowment fund to cover the FoDP share of the administrative position salary for 2008.

**PRESIDENT:** No Report

**ADMINISTRATIVE POSITION REPORT:** B. Hartman reported she has worked 255 hours for 2008 which is half the hours budgeted. The position will continue for another year.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**ADMINISTRATION, BUDGET, FINANCE, AND PLANNING -** No Report

**MEMBERSHIP/COMMUNICATIONS:** Renewal letters will be sent in February with our annual report.

**NEWSLETTER:** November's newsletter was sent.

**WEBSITE:** No Report

**VOLUNTEER COORDINATION:** J. Gullixson

Jay reported that he spoke with Matt Marty and Rhea regarding supporting Pat with the coordination of volunteers. Matt and Jay will work as a team to coordinate what projects need to be done. Rhea has offered to help out. Work will continue on the projects that have been ongoing. Jay will work with Rhea at DCP to get a wood chipper instead of burning the trees and brush. Chips can be used for mulch and to fill holes.

**NATURAL AREAS:** No Report

**EQUESTRIAN TRAILS:** Roger Parr

Roger reported that the bridge work is complete. The posts will set in spring when trails open.

**EDUCATION AND INTERPRETATION:** No Report

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Action Item:

\*\*Scheidegger Grant Update - Dave reported that he will be in contact with DCP to determine the status of our project application. Sara Kwitek indicated DCP are extremely supportive of our project although they have nothing else to compare the project to. It could likely be a pilot project for DCP. FoDP is being asked to fund approximately 10% of the project (\$3,500) in cash which will come from our budget and \$7,500 from in-kind fees. The total cost of the project is \$35,000. Ted will bring the contribution numbers to the January meeting and Ron will get details of in-kind costs.

\*\*Revisions to Board member packet - The board reviewed the changes that were made to the documents that will be a part of the new board member packets. A motion was made by R.Rassner/T.Bailey to approve the changes. Motion carried unanimously.

\*\*Board Member Recruiting - Our annual meeting is set for March 29<sup>th</sup> and Barb will get details on key dates leading up to the meeting for posting new board candidates ballots. Several board members named potential candidates and were asked to extend an invite to the January meeting. Donna Thomas has agreed to stay on the board for another year.

\*\*Horse Trail Map - Roger brought an updated horse trail map with the new trails.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Action Item:

\*\*Garden Expo - Don Hartman will coordinate the garden expo for 2009.

\*\*2009 Budget - Ted will update the budget and make the fixes discussed and bring to the January meeting.

\*\*Trail pass sales for 2009 - Dave Schreiber will talk with Jean Warrior on the benefits of purchasing trail passes through FoDP.

\*\*Annual Meeting - Planning for the annual meeting will be done at the January and February meetings.

**REVIEW AND APPROVE BILLS:** Bills were submitted totaling \$1,471.93. Motion by R.Parr/R.Rassner to approve bills. Motion carried unanimously.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:**

Tuesday, January 20, 2009 6:30 p.m. at Springdale Town Hall.

Suggested Agenda Items: 2009 Budget, Annual Meeting, Board Nominations

**ADJOURN:**

Motion by R. Parr/T. Bailey to adjourn by unanimous consent at 8:10 p.m.

Annual Christmas Party followed hosted by Conrad and Vicki Anderson.

Respectfully submitted, Barb Hartman, Recording Secretary