

**Friends of Point Beach State Forest (FPBSF)**  
**Monthly Board Meeting Minutes**  
**PBSF Board Room**  
**Tuesday, January 10, 2006**

**Board Members Present:** Chuck Krause (for Nannette), Bob Pilzak, Don Peltier, Angie Peltier, Mike Timm, Randy Beecher, Kevin Duveneck, Dave Meyer, Debbie Timm, Joe Schermetzler, and Tim Myers

**PBSF Representative Present:** Guy Willman

**Board Member Absent:** Ed Ashenbrenner

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by President Randy Beecher.

**Approval of the Minutes**

Debbie read the minutes from the December 6, 2005 board meeting. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes. The motion passed with Angie abstaining.

**Treasurer's Report**

Bob presented the treasurer's report. This included December's checking account transactions and summary of the savings and certificate of deposit for 2005. There is \$30.00 in the Roundy's account. Bob also distributed an updated E-mail and phone list for current board members. A motion was made and seconded to accept the treasurer's report. The motion passed.

**Old Business**

**Benches**

Dave reported that there are six new benches completed and two new orders. Because there is no snow, Guy will have the benches installed as soon as possible. Mike reported that Chuck Hanf has ordered cedar for the benches. Tim will check to see if he can find another source of cedar.

**Park Report**

Guy stated that due to the lack of snow, the park has been quiet and there is nothing to report.

**Food Class**

Randy stated that Lakeshore Technical College (LTC) will be running food preparation safety classes. He will call to see if these classes would benefit our group.

**Nesco Roasters**

Bob will be contacting Victor Trastek of Metal Ware about donating or purchasing (at a discount) Nesco roasters.

**Trail Pins**

Angie has E-mailed other State parks about trail pins. She passed around a picture of the Peninsula State Park 2006 pin. The pins would cost \$1.55 each is 600 are ordered. After a brief discussion, it was decided that Angie will go more research.

### Bench Liability

After consulting with Attorney Bill Dean, it was decided not to make benches for private parties' personal use. This is a permanent policy because the FPBSF does not carry product liability insurance.

### Candlelight Ski/Hike

The Candlelight Ski/Hike is set for January 14, 2006. This event will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Bob passed around "sign-up sheets for the work schedule and cookies. He also had a list of where the posters were displayed. It was decided sell chili and chicken dumpling soup. Randy will pick up the M&M food and the popcorn machine from the United Way. Nancy Meyer will get hot dogs, bun, catsup, and mustard. Nannette will organize the food, get refreshments, and decorate tables. The entertainment for the evening (6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.) will be Brad Klabunde. He will be paid \$100.00. There was a discussion about when and where to place the candles, selling sweatshirts, and raffling Bucks tickets.

### Newsletter

Angie requested help on the next newsletter. Bob reminded Angie that he and Kathy will take care of all of the mailing. Debbie volunteered to help get article contributors. It was decided to publish a newsletter three times a year – mid April, September, and January. The newsletter will be mailed to paid members. Other copies will be available at the park.

### Post Cards

Kevin reported that there was a problem with the lighthouse post cards. They are being redone at no cost.

### Friend of Friends Criteria

Randy distributed a proposed "Award Policy" for the "Friend of the Friends" award. After a discussion, it was decided to expand on this policy. Debbie will E-mail a copy to Ed for his ideas. It will be discussed at the February meeting.

### Donation Money/Fundraising

The discussion was continued about how to use the Coenen donation. Tim will do some research on playground equipment and will bring some equipment books to the next meeting. Another suggestion was disk golf.

Guy stated that the north side of the lodge will be rented out for private parties or events. The current office building can be used for a mini nature center. He would like to see money raised to build an addition on the office for a nature center. Guy is going to contact the original architect to see if he would do some sketches for an addition.

Fund raising ideas were discussed, such as the FPBSF running the concession stand, taking care of the rental of the lodge, and the rental of the former Grover cottage. Any of these ideas would involve a lot of planning. This subject was tabled for future discussion.

## **New Business**

### **Election of Officers**

Randy asked each officer if he/she would be willing to continue in the same capacity. He also asked if anyone would like to run for a position. No one volunteered. The current officers agreed to remain in the same positions. A motion was made and seconded to accept the officer's positions. The motion passed.

### **Spring Workshops**

The Friends of Wisconsin State Parks is hosting two spring workshops. These workshops are being held on March 31 - April 1, 2006 at the Northern Kettle Moraine State Forest and April 28-29 at Holiday Acres, Rhinelander. There was little additional information available.

### **Ice Age Trail**

Cheryl from the Manitowoc County division of the Wisconsin Ice Age Trail has contacted Randy about the FPBSF helping work on the section of the trail that will go through Point Beach State Forest. This event will happen in spring with about 100 volunteer workers expected.

### **FPBSF Sale Merchandise**

A discussion was held about the purchase of a cash register to assist with inventory of the FPBSF merchandise. The group was split on the need for a cash register. It was decided that keeping track of sales by using the tags was working at this time. The tags can be reused.

Angie suggested that FPBSF members receive a 10% discount when purchasing any merchandise. A membership card and ID would need to be presented. There was no decision made at this time.

### **Photo Contest**

Guy informed the board members that Joan (Park Secretary) has started a photo contest. She will be responsible for all of the details.

At 8:46 p.m., a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.

The next board meeting will be at the M & M Lunch at 6:30 p.m. on February 7, 2006.

Submitted by Debbie Timm