

**Friends of Point Beach State Forest
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
PBSF Board Room
Tuesday, March 8, 2005**

Board Members Present: Dave Meyer, Tim Myers, Bob Pilzak, Kevin Duveneck, Guy Willman, Randy Beecher, Nannette Krause, and Debbie Timm

Guests Present: Angie and Don Peltier (perspective board members)

Board Members Absent: Ed Ashenbrenner, Nancy Meyer, and Mike Timm

Call to Order

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

Approval of the Minutes

After confirming that all present had copies of the minutes of the last meeting, a motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as written. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Bob Pilzak reported through January 2005, the checking account activity showed a credit of \$2,211.00 and a debit of \$141.79 with a balance of \$2,069.21. The savings account showed a balance of \$7,764.11. There was no checking or savings account activity in February.

At the beginning of this meeting, there were seven (7) paid members for 2005.

Bob presented a "Candlelight Ski" financial summary for the years 2001-2005. To this date, there has been a profit of \$364.96.

To submit the annual non-profit report for the State, Bob needed board members names and signatures.

Four hundred (400) tea lights were donated by park visitors, Pat and Terry Holt, in appreciation for the "enjoyable" candle light hike at Point Beach.

Old Business - Reports

Park Benches

Dave Meyer reported that there are a total of four (4) park benches to be put together. There has been one new order. These benches should be ready by spring.

Park Report

Guy reported:

- Cross country skiing has been "ok."
- Camping fees will be going up a total of \$4.00.
- Dale Shamburek will be working with the Friends of the Mariners Trail and the Friends of Point Beach to produce a map of both trails and the connecting streets in Two Rivers.

→ Guy presented a picture on which the original lodge lighting could be seen. New lodge lights could be made similar to the picture to blend with the current décor; however, the State Archeologist would need to approve the plans.

New Business

Guy received a fund raising package from the Wisconsin State Parks Friends and Natural Resources Foundation offering an Affinity credit card with three (3) styles to choose from. Our Friends group would receive \$50.00 from each new account. Guy will display the information in the park office.

Kevin presented ideas and materials from Manitowoc Trophy for a founding member's plaque. It was decided that a mock plaque would be presented at the next meeting for a vote.

Nancianne Hall donated a disk with pictures of the park that could be used for postcards or displays. Tim Myers will print the pictures and have them available for viewing at the next meeting.

Board members need to make sure that the volunteer time sheets are filled out. The information needs to be more specific than in the past. This information should include the project/event, the number of people, the dates, the time involved, etc.

Spring Cleanup for Point Beach State Forest is scheduled for Saturday, April 30, 2005.

There was a discussion held about creating a Web Site, distributing minutes, obtaining member's E-mail addresses, and using E-mail for communication. At this point, the annual dues reminders will be sent via US Mail. Angie volunteered to create and maintain a Web Page. Guy will get the information Angie needs to link off of the Friends State Web Site. Setting up the Point Beach page should only take a few days. A Web Site could include the minutes, event notices, and messages for the general membership. Joe suggested posting the minutes and a list of events with times and dates on the park bulletin boards. He also suggested posting pictures of events.

Angie volunteered to produce the newsletter.

Randy would like to discuss long range plans at the next board meeting. Items that need to be considered: creating a 5 year master plan (structurally and financially) focusing on the needs of the park staff and the park itself, matching grants, endowment fund, and creating a scholarship.

Debbie will send thank you letters to the people and businesses that donated items for the Candlelight Ski/Hike.

It was decided that a brat fry in August or September would be good fundraiser. Debbie was going to check with Piggly Wiggly and Pick 'N Save for available Fridays and Saturdays. Another fundraiser suggestion was to have a booth at Ethnic Fest and/or Applefest and sell sweatshirts.

The board agreed to use the M & M breakfast menu (used in 2004) for the 2005 “Breakfast in the Park” on June 5, 2005. The details will be discussed at the next meeting.

There are several board vacancies. It was decided to ask Ranger Gene to join the group as an advisor. A motion was made by Joe and seconded by Nannette to elect Angie and Don Peltier to the Friends of Point Beach Board of Directors. The motion carried unanimously. Other vacancies will be discussed at the General Membership Meeting on April 12, 2005. This meeting will be held in the Community Room at the City of Two Rivers Fire Department at 6:30 p.m. The May 10, 2005 meeting will be held at the park.

At 8:35 p.m., a motion was made by Randy and seconded by Debbie to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.

Submitted by Debbie Timm