

Friends of the James River Park Board Meeting

July 3, 2018 at 6:30 pm

Meeting Minutes

Board Members in Attendance: Cat Anthony, Trammell Beckmann, Justin Doyle, Nancy Fowler, Mary Kay Martin, Shawna Shade, Scott Silvester, Karen Thomas, Greg Velzy

Guests in Attendance: Mike Doerr (board candidate), Patrick Griffin (member)

Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the June meeting minutes as amended passed.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was given by Shawna Shade. Shawna reported Friends of the James River Park received a \$25,000 grant supporting the creation of a master plan for the James River Park System from the New Market Corporation and a generous \$5,000 donation from Ross Butler.

Park Superintendent Report

Park Superintendent Nathan Burrell was absent.

Board Candidate

Mike Doerr, a candidate for board member, introduced himself to the board. He has lived in Virginia ten years and has political campaign experience. He started a company called Magic Quote. He spends time at Pony Pasture in the park system and equity is important to him.

Old Business

Conflict of Interest Policy

Mary Kay reviewed the updated conflict of interest policy with board members. Cat Anthony motioned to approve the policy, Scott Silvester seconded the motion, and it passed.

Constant Contact

Karen Thomas continues to coordinate newsletter content. Karen is seeking content for the August newsletter.

New Business

Friends of the James River Park Employee

The approved FY 2019 Budget includes a line item for a part-time employee. Nancy Fowler circulated a draft job description for board members to review. The position is being created to

take some burden off of board members. The board will review the job description before the August meeting.

Board Assessment

Nancy Fowler will send an assessment to board members. Results will be compiled to create a document that will guide the professional development of the organization.

James River Park System App

Trammell Beckmann reported Connor Jenkins continues to work on the app for the James River Park System.

Committee Reports

Ad Hoc Nomination Committee Report

The committee will present a slate of candidates at the August meeting.

Fundraising Committee Report

Katherine Mitchell was absent. A report was not given.

Advocacy Committee Report

Mary Kay Martin reported the whitewater rafting trip with Mayor Stoney and members of his administration was successful.

Finance Committee Report

A report was not given. Scott Silvester will research CDs.

Communications Committee Report

Karen Thomas reported the committee recently met to go over the upcoming transition. Karen is leaving the board in September. Karen is updating informational pamphlets.

Events Committee Report

Nancy Fowler gave the committee report in Kevin Tobin's absence. Nancy reported the committee will consider the future of the River Heroes event, which is typically held in September.

Membership Committee Report

The date of the annual board retreat will be set by the new President. Mary Kay Martin motioned to add Mike Doerr, a candidate for the Friends of the James River Park board, to the board. The motion was seconded by Greg Velzy and it unanimously passed.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 at 6:30 pm