



BOARD MEETING NOTES

October 17, 2018

4:30 – 6:00 pm

World's End State Park Office

Attending:

Dave Engle - Chair	Jane Swift – Environmental Educator – Worlds End State Park	Kyle Fawcett
Michael Scott – Vice-Chair	Lisa Engle	Becky Brown
Mic Scott - Treasurer	Ruth Rode	Lisa Wilcox
Dan Mumford - Secretary	Dave Kowalewski	

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

- Has contacted the Directors re their interest in remaining as “Director.” Only one response so far.
- **Worlds End Day 2019:** There is interest in having our group organize a “Worlds End Day” in 2019, similar to the August 25, 2018 event (River of the Year) organized by the Susquehanna Riverkeepers.
 - Agreement that we need to pick a different weekend – earlier in the summer. Everyone should check their calendars for weekends to avoid (including the Park calendar). Also need to consider other events (fairgrounds, Founders Day, Eagles Mere, etc.) as to avoid any conflicts.
 - Should determine a date “sooner rather than later” to allow participants to plan accordingly.
 - The local Conservation District has expressed interest in participating.
 - Will discuss further at the November annual meeting.

- **Volunteer Hours:** everyone should track and report their volunteer hours. This helps us in preparing our annual report and is also data the Park needs. Should include all work for the group and the park (projects, routine chair, treasurer and secretarial duties, website maintenance, membership outreach, work in the Park, etc.). Can use a paper-form or online on DCNR's website: <https://www.volunteers.dcnr.state.pa.us/Login.aspx>
- **Act 13 Dollars:** spoke to a County Commissioner. Basically, the county is reluctant to turn dollars over to a state entity (the dollars come via the state to begin with, and could set a precedent they would prefer not to establish).
- **Conference Calling Capabilities for Meetings:** Will be discussed at a future meeting.

2018 ANNUAL MEETING:

- **The group discussed and picked a date/time: Wednesday, November 14 at 4:30.**
- Dan will draft a meeting announcement and notice and circulate with the draft minutes.
- Agenda to include election of Directors, current projects, possible 2019 projects, etc.

VICE-CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

- Has reached out to individual about possible donation of building materials re amphitheater project. Will report back when we have a reply.
- Building on the success of the archery program, the Game Commission is rolling out an air-gun program with an emphasis on safety. This is something we can consider as a Park activity.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Starting Balance: \$ 2942.

Minus Expenses: \$ 48.

CURRENT BALANCE: \$ 2894.16

Donation Methods:

- Electronic via the PPF website is the desired method - designating Friends of World's End as the recipient.
- Checks are "ok" (but we have to pay processing fees);
- Cash should be discouraged (need to buy a cashiers check to deposit – very expensive).

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

- The September meeting minutes are approved with no revisions.
- Secretary distributed sample contributor-acknowledgement/thanks letters. Board agreed to go with a version based on an example from Pinchot's group that places general information on the left in a text box. This allows the letter to be limited to one page. We agree to include the mission statement, park address and phone number, email and facebook address and the legalese in the text box – but omit Director/officer names until after the November annual meeting. We also agree to include information about our meeting dates/times in the body of the letter. Dan will revise the letter accordingly and circulate a new draft.
- Meeting minutes will be distributed via a Google inbox:
secretary.friends.worlds.end@gmail.com.

PARK TRAIL MAP:

- Dave K. and Ruth R. displayed a new draft maps of the Park (and surrounding forest) hiking trails. Looks great.
- Group decides that trails should be color-coded; printed in the color of their blazes.
- Dave and Ruth also circulated trail descriptions and loops. Park management has to review and determine which ones they approve of. Will then see how many will fit on the back of the map. May have to pick-and-choose at some point if insufficient space. Might also look at trimming some of the descriptions.
- As a fund-raising possibility: trail patches. Will look into and discuss further at future meetings.

EAST BRANCH TRAIL:

- Dave K. reported that this trail has now been blazed (yellow).
- Is 1.1 miles.
- The group will “adopt” this trail and monitor it for maintenance needs, etc.

SULLIVAN COUNTY SCENIC SPOTS MAP:

- Ruth R. proposed a possible map/guide highlighting scenic/recreational spots across Sullivan County outside of the Park (Sones Pond, Hunter Lake, Bear Wallow Lake, Ricketts Glen, waterfalls, haystacks, etc.).
- Would be useful for those here for an extended stay who are interested in things to see outside of the park.

- Some concern that this may be a bit outside our scope of activity.
- Agreed to continue to consider and discuss; possibly in conjunction with another county entity (Chamber of Commerce, Sullivan Review, etc.).

NEXT MEETING (ANNUAL MEETING):

- A December meeting is “iffy” ...will discuss in November.
- Next meeting is:

November 14, 2018 at 4:30 at the Park Office.

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