

Take A Kid Outdoors Board ANNUAL Meeting

Date: April 18, 2017

Time: 6:33

Location: UIU in Fayette County, EVE in Johnson County

Attendees:

Fayette (Board Members) Leif White (President); Ron Lenth (Vice President); Kata McCarville (Treasurer); Dick Jensen; Bruce Fink

(Guests) Matt Schaefer and son.

Iowa City (Board Members) Risa Dotson Eicke (Secretary); Judy Joyce (Executive Director); Adrian Holmes

Absent: Jim Halstead

Up for re-election in 2017: Bruce is present. Dick nominated Bruce to be voted in and Ron seconded and Bruce accepted. All approved.

Treasurer's Report: Judy said Kata signed and filed the taxes. Kata said Judy did a great job of preparing it and it looked good. Kata suggested posting the taxes and putting them on our website. Judy said she could get past year's taxes too.

Bills to approve: Judy asked if there are any invoices out there to pay. Our next meeting is September, and we can vote by email to pay any before then. There will be an EVE invoice for \$3000 for 3 TAKO events in Johnson County, Judy does not have it yet so she'll email it out to everyone for approval. There will be another one in July for the May & June events. Judy said these are paid for by grant money. Leif asked if Judy can specify where the money is coming from. Judy said that's on the invoices. The amount for each event and where the funding is coming from. Leif and Kata asked if we can approve them ahead of time. Judy said we could or we could vote via email. Kata moved to pay the 2 invoices, 1 for \$3000 and 1 for \$2000, covered by the grants. Seconded by Dick. All approved. Judy will email those invoices to be attached to the September minutes. Ron asked about the \$250 in the minutes, if that was something we received already. Kata thinks we deposited it already.

Minutes to Approve: Adrian moved and Bruce seconded. All approved.

Committee Updates:

Fayette County Event Committee- Ron said Dick and him visited the antler shed to the first Saturday in May. They might have a couple of presenters. The event got moved and Judy said that has been updated on the website and on Facebook.

Johnson County Event Committee- Judy said we are booked with events. The next one is the Canoe and Cookout on Friday. Judy is starting to put together Seize the Carp. Check your calendars and get back to her if you can be there. Leif is trying to line up kayaks for that event. Judy said that would be great if they could finalize that in the next month. If UIU is going to give in-kind services, so we can list them as a sponsor and do that again. Leif said they might not do that. Kata said UIU is changing their logo, so if that should happen after next week they'll get them a copy of the new logo. Judy said to get back to her by May 15th. Leif will let her know about Hardin County because that was their canoes. Leif can bring his

canoe too, and Judy will have 6. So we can see if we'll need more. Bruce talked about the guys that ran the fly fishing event, they can work with them again. Fayette County group had a discussion about free fishing weekend event.

Chapter Committee- None. Searching for info. Judy has been reaching out to a bunch of people to see who can help us. Hopefully will be able to look at it after Seize the Carp, maybe a winter project.

Website/Marketing Committee- Risa reminded everyone that we need some board member profile updates- Adrian, Bruce and Jim when he's renewed. Risa talked about adding the meeting minutes to the website on the board page. Kata likes that idea, Risa said only after they are approved they would go on the website and she'd still email them out so everyone can review them first.

Fundraising & Grant Writing Committee- Leif is presenting to allegiant about TAKO and he suggested TAKO as a place for them to donate to so he's going to present about TAKO to them. Judy said the 3 minute video is on youtube if he wants to use it for the event. He won't have wifi or internet but Judy can send it to him and he can put it on his laptop.

Judy has 2 grants in to Wellmark and the WCRF one. For the TAKO shelter. Met with the Iowa Association of Realtors to try to get them to support TAKO. One new volunteer is Greg Behrens, and he will donate a percentage of his commission to TAKO if the customer mentions TAKO. Trying to get the IAOR to host an event or something. Realtor will give us some marketing things to mention on Facebook, etc. Judy met with PSI, Physicians Services of Iowa, Passport to the Future at Kent Park on Saturday. We are getting asked to be part of all of these events happening over Earth Day weekend, maybe in the future we could collaborate on one big event instead of trying to be a part of all these small events as well as hosting our own event. There is a lot going on every year on Earth Day weekend.

TAKO Rewards Committee- Judy said we'll do that in December, the end of the year.

Board members- Recruiting, Seats, Bios and Contact List- Leif asked if we can add the guest to the board, can we do that tonight? Judy explained it's a 2 year commitment and you would head a committee and come to 4-5 meetings a year. There is also a need for non-board committee members. Leif can show him the bylaws and there it describes what a board member is accountable for. Judy asked if he still has the job descriptions. Risa said it might be good to table it for the next meeting and find out if Jim is renewing his board membership too at that time. Judy said since Amelia is leaving, we are now looking for a program director and also getting people to help put events together and help out with events.

Other items:

Amelia's email:

Dear board members,

After extensive contemplation over the past few months, I have reached the conclusion that it is time for me to step aside from my duties as event coordinator for Fayette County. My regular job duties have changed in the last year, and more changes are coming, meaning an increased draw on my time and attention. Additionally, Connor is growing older and his activities are increasingly conflicting with TAKO events and limiting the time I am able to give my TAKO duties.

I have enjoyed working with TAKO and with all of you, and would welcome continued involvement if the board would like. I am more than happy to continue to support TAKO and its mission and will still attend events as I am able. At this time, I am simply no longer able to commit to attending all events and consistently distributing the information as needed.

To help ease the transition, I will still work to promote the upcoming event on May 6, though I am not able to attend the actual event. I have already talked to Dick that I have a conflict. Moving forward, I will always be happy to assist in any ways that I can and will be available for any questions the board may have of me. I intend to provide what support I can to ensure a smooth process moving forward.

I am happy to attend tonight's meeting if you'd like me there for any discussions. Please just let me know your preferences. Or I could meet with members from Fayette County to talk about the changes.

Thank you again for all you do for TAKO and the support you have given me in my duties over the last few years.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns.

Dick talked about the archery event. Leif asked about thank-you cards. Judy said she gave them to Kata. Leif said they're MIA. They will search for them.

Set next meeting- 2017 meetings:

- January 17 at 6:15.
- Tuesday, Feb. 21 at 6:15. Annual meeting.
- Tuesday, April 18 at 6:15.
- **Tuesday, September 19th at 6:15.**

Adjourned at 7:06.