

*Present:* Ann Allen, Florence Barlow, Lisa Bress, Terry Langevin, Jay Melley, Michael Novak, Nancy Taylor

*Regrets:* Al Boehm, Vivian Cicero, Randy Lee, Carol MacMullen

*Absent:* Linda Alexander, Chris Alford, John Carmon, Tim Curtis, Dick Dolliver, Chuck Drake, Kate Ferris-Morrell, Mary Hogan, Linda Kollmorgan, Mickey Mattei, Dawn Morgan, Leslie Morgan-Thompson, Lon Pelton, Bill Schoner, Debby Silliman, Northwest Park Staff

Meeting began just after 7 pm.

**Minutes from the past meeting were approved.**

*The next meeting is Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at the Nature Center*

**Treasurers Report:** Book Review on target for this summer. The IRS needs corrected return: Jay & Randy

**Staff Report:** Received from Ford by separate email:

I want to let everyone know that I was under the weather for the meeting. However, good things are happening in the Park. Here is a brief overview:

Three YCC staff members have been selected for hiring. One YCC staff member will also be working as the summer naturalist.

Two summer interns have been selected for hiring. They will rotate desk and park duties over the summer.

The summer nature camp registrations have exceeded our expectations and are showing \$9,000 above the budgeted income. Many camp sessions are filled.

The new "Sensory Saunter Trail" is well underway. Jeff Boglisch did an outstanding job clearing the area. A local scout is planning the trail and planting areas.

Two of the three Natural excursion programs have enough registrations to make the trips a go. There is still plenty of time for more registrations.

The scouts worked on painting the trail signs, which will be ready for placement by the end of May.

**Country Fair , 9/29/2007** is on its way with Nancy Taylor and Kate Ferris-Morrell co-chairing the event. Nancy reported she and Kate met and most of the entertainment is booked with Trevor coming the whole day. Anyone interested in volunteering, contact

Nancy at 688-3486 in the evening. Hopefully people will continue to volunteer as in past years. Nancy will contact people to verify commitments. Lisa volunteered to coordinate art and crafts from Windsor Public Schools under the category "Country Fair Art and Crafts 2007".

**Country Fair 2008:** Due to the Town of Windsor 375<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration next September, Mickey Mattei volunteered to be our liaison with the Town.

**Shad Derby, May 19<sup>th</sup>:** Two tent locations on the Town Green are signed up and paid in full. Thank-you Friends and Staff who have volunteered to make this another successful year. Congratulations to Florence & Vivian who are the Grand Marshalls this year! Lisa will be helping with the Civitans.

**Lecture Series:** No Report

**Earth Day:** Florence reported a fabulous turn out with everyone, especially out-of-towners, being impressed with the Park.

**Pancake Breakfast Coordinator:** No Report

**Volunteer Status:** Organic Garden help: not known  
Coffee House advertising assistant: Lisa Bress pending conversation  
With Chuck Drake (Chuck please contact her ASAP)  
Sunday Ambassadors: Lisa Bress

**Membership:** All Trustees are encouraged to look for opportunities to expand the Friends membership. Ideas are always welcome and we will start an idea list such as remembering to contact the Early Childhood Council which took place at the Hilton this year per Lisa Bress. Feel free to pick up brochures at the Park for hand-outs.

Florence, Vivian and Lisa volunteered to see one idea through this year.

The Chamber of Commerce Calendar is always available for us to post our own items.

**Other:** Comments were made that the eco-tourism brochure put out by the Park was received well. They grabbed them all up but did they call? (Note: In speaking with Ford, he said 2 of the 3 are a go already which is great for this kind of start-up.)

Motion unanimously approved to adjourn at 7:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Terry Langevin, Secretary