

Fair Hill Nature Center Board of Directors Meeting October 14, 2009

Attendance:

Joe Clancy, Tina Freudenberger, Dave Vanaskey, Holly Hannum, Karen Aspinwall, Mario Gangemi.

I. Treasure's Report

Tina presented the treasurers report including YTD and projections through year end 2009 with discussion around revenue and expenses both past, current and future. Finance issues as they affect program opportunities, program funding, building maintenance, etc... were amongst topics discussed. Recommendation to go with Jim Baxter as the CPA with the removal of Tom Jones. Continuing discussions around insurance and other possible insurance carriers. Discussion to pay existing carrier to continue coverage while looking into State Farm amongst others.

II. School Report.

Fall programs in full swing for FHNC. Trail Day was a huge success, Leaf Walk on Oct 17th, Waterfowl Festival in November, and Hay ride on the 23rd among other events. The six new field microscopes were purchased. PTA support for FHNC programs from Cecil County was moved forward. 2010 weekend program schedule was provided to Cecil County Tourism. School webpage on FHNC website to be updated.

III. Old Business.

Discussion regarding the building repair bid process continued. Representation and coverage for the upcoming Fairhill Festival in the Country was determined.

IV. New Business.

Joe and David will begin work on a membership drive in the next couple of weeks with the goal to get a handle on what we currently have and determine opportunities to expand and leverage membership. Greenfest 2010 was discussed with confirmation of dates and the Ed Wall Center along with revisiting the web page to ensure proper sponsorship recognition. Quarterly newsletter idea to be followed up by Jon Carpenter along with a website calendar of events for the FHNC. Discussion around bringing a potential name/candidate for board membership, drive to recruit members for the board.

V. Next Meeting.

November 11th at 6:00 at FHNC