

**Friends of the San Pedro River
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
December 8, 2009**

1. CALL TO ORDER. The meeting came to order at 6:05 PM.
2. ROLL CALL. Tom Arnold, Tom Clancy, Ron Serviss, Sally Rosen, Dutch Nagle, Anne Graf, Robert Weissler, Chris Long. Representing BLM: Mark Rekshynskjy, Jim Mahoney
3. MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER MEETING. The minutes were approved as printed.
4. TREASURER'S REPORT (Tom Arnold). Tom reported that:
 - a. Sales at SPH were lower than budgeted in November,
 - b. a \$400 legal fee that was unexpected was paid,
 - c. a \$500 grant came in to partially cover the cost of the color brochure,
 - d. Pam is working on the tax form, which is very different this year.
5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Chris Long).
 - a. Priorities/Goals. What are our goals for this year? Mark shared a list of monitoring projects that the Friends could participate in and seek grants for. He presented, also, a chart of BLM Arizona Strategic Goals. There was discussion as to how these could be used as a membership building tool by introducing new areas for members to participate.
 - b. Grants. What do we want grant money for this year? We have several opportunities. (See above)
 - c. Fairbank Special Events. We are set for Saturday Dec. 12th, artists, re-enactors, music. Working with B Troop (Fort Huachuca) and 2nd Catalonians (Tucson Spanish re-enactors) for January 9th. (Update: All set for this event as of 23 Dec.) Other events are scheduled at Fairbank on February 13th, March 20th (part of Arizona Archaeology Month), and April 10th.
6. BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT REPORT (BLM).
 - a. Site hosts at both FSH and SPH are good through April 2010.
 - b. Maintenance Program (Vacant). Need a program lead. Ted Mouras will update on the various garden efforts. Heather Swanson is interviewing and plans to hire three new SCAs for BLM who will be working with Ranger Bob on maintenance.
 - c. Fees for SPRNCA. BLM is not considering fees at this time.
 - d. Chris Schrage will be using some of the remaining Fairbank funds to contract with Kelly Timmerman to upgrade some of the displays at Fairbank.
 - e. Mark R. approved an FSPR "Member's Only" walk to Charleston. FSPR will decide on a date and will require registration for this event.
 - f. The BLM is working on budget issues. Arizona has numerous NLCS areas that do not produce income as do the states with oil and gas leases. So the BLM State Leadership Team is working to improve the status of Arizona within the BLM.
7. PROGRAM REPORTS.
 - a. Docent Program. (Ron Serviss). The Fall Cultural Docent training has been successfully completed. Sally Rosen, Mike Rosen, and Jeanie Bragg all received their Docent Certification.
 - b. Education Program (John Rose). Trips are over until Spring. Judah Maccabee participated in the program with John.

- c. Equestrian Program. Currently inactive and not included in our Volunteer Agreement for FY 2010. Other BLM areas in Arizona have also cancelled their equestrian programs for this year. There was discussion as to whether we should eliminate this from lists of FSPR printed materials.
8. COMMITTEE REPORTS.
- a. Membership Committee (Gary Noonan) – Sandy Kunzer and Gary on the goals of increased membership and increased numbers of volunteers. They are designing posters.
 - b. Education Committee (John Rose). No report
9. OLD BUSINESS.
- a. Fairbank Reunion/Fairbank Day (Chris Long). 14 November 2009 –All went well, Jane Childress attended. FSPR provided sodas, cake, and picnic supplies. Mountain View News did a follow-up article.
 - b. Update on Point of Sales System (Dutch Nagle) Should be ready to go in January.
 - c. Update on “Dedication Walk” as a fund raiser (Dutch Nagle). He is working with Jim Mahoney on type of bricks, etc. Dutch will need help from some of our FSPR artists to design the walkway.
 - d. Hike Schedule. Approved by BLM, will Xerox for distribution. Alan Blixt will still head this program. Leaders are already scheduled for the coming year.
 - e. Holiday Potluck at SPH. Set for December 11th from 5 PM until 8 PM.
 - f. DVD Program. Mike Foster is requesting \$250 for additional disk storage.
10. NEW BUSINESS. Dutch Nagle submitted Jane Chambers for the Arizona Cardinals Community Fund volunteer award.
11. REVIEW 2009/2010 FSPR ACTIVITY CALENDAR. History walks are being added to the schedule.
12. NEXT MEETING January 12th.
13. ADJOURN. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.