

Minutes for Friends of the Tonto National Forest Board Meeting
23 September 2019

The meeting was called to order at 6:02pm by John Matteson, President.

Attendees: Pete Allard, Ann Adkins, Patti Fenner, John Matteson, Georgy Naimoli, Don Pike, Bert Roy, Brian Stultz, Scott Wood, Elizabeth Butler, Kelly Mott Lacroix

Kelly Mott Lacroix introduced herself.

Water Development Inventory Project - Kelly Mott Lacroix, Tonto Forest Hydrologist

There are multiple uses for collected data, for Kelly it's all about water rights
Have over 3,000 on Forest, must inventory all to be represented (in court), 1800 left
Kelly discussed best practices for inventory with National Water Rights and Uses staff

Kelly requested (from Region) a Collector account for FOTNF

President's Report - John

The ATA starting work on Davenport Trail from Chilson Camp to Club Cabin in mid-Oct
A gate and connector trail from old DPS site to Little Saddle Mt. Trail were installed.

John is meeting with Jason Scow & Kelly Finley(Richards), dispersed REC, to consider developing the site further.

Executive Director's Report - Patti

The 2019 Riparian Photopoint project surveyed 58 streams, with 42 volunteers, who spent 946 hours, and drove over 1000 miles.

Ongoing Projects

Reavis/Campaign Trail grant project - John

Approved at some level but John hasn't received a document to sign yet

New Website - Elizabeth

The Board approved going live with the new website after 7 items are fixed, added or changed. Elizabeth expects the new website to be up by October 4th. Through email, Board members suggested a number of potential enhancements which will be considered after the initial new site is up and running smoothly.

Shoofly Interpretive Site Adoption - Scott

District Ranger passed the approval to Brooke 2 months ago, haven't heard anything

Financial Review - Bert and Georgy

Bert reviewed several new report with year-to-year comparisons.

nonprofitfacts.com - need to file IRS 990 to have data filled in

GuideStar next level also requires 990 filed

New business

Fundraising - Don

Don made a proposal to select Designated Premier Project at the October 28 Board meeting. The Board discussed the merits of potential projects and how to select the project.

Food for MRD meetings - Ann

Ann asked whether Friends will provide snacks for meetings at the Mesa Ranger District. John made a motion, Brian seconded, to authorize up to \$500 for food for meetings at the MRD. The motion passed.

Public Lands Day Event at Phon D Sutton Sept 28

Patti, Scott, Don, Ann & Pete will help with the FOTNF booth

Woodbury Fire monitoring Training Oct 14 (Monday), Fire station

It will be Riparian photopoints taken in the Fall

Monarch butterfly monitoring training Nov 12 - Kelly Kessler

There will be no announcement of the event, only Board members are welcome.

Developed Waters Inventory training Oct.17 (Thursday), Fire station

Strategic planning

Review/revise standing committees - The Board discussed the current list of standing committees and a proposed list (see below) and decide to consider the matter further at the October 28 meeting.

Nominations for Board/Officer positions

Don nominated Brian Stultz for President and Susan Susan Sridharan for Treasurer.

The Board decided to send a letter to the members announcing the following opening on the Board: President, Secretary, Treasurer, and two members at large.

Format for December meeting

The format for the Annual Meeting in December will be according to the Bylaws.

Orientation meeting

A member orientation was scheduled for January 18, 2020 10am-2pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Butler, Secretary

Existing Standing Committees	Proposed (per Strategic plan and discussions)
Cultural Resources	Cultural Resources
Natural Resources	Natural Resources
Recreation and Education	Education/Outreach
Recruitment and Membership	Membership/Recruitment
	Communications
	Finance
	Recreation ?? trails, adopt-a-site, etc ?