

MANCHESTER PARKS FOUNDATION, INC.
Board Meeting 4/5/2010

Present: Sharon Hughes, Ellen Rugemer, Ellen Frey, Donna Davis, Barbara Trump, Bill Skinner

Town of Manchester: Doug Myers

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Sharon Hughes at 7:10 PM at the Charlotte's Quest Nature Center

Minutes approved as presented. Motion by Ellen Rugemer and seconded by Bill Skinner.

Treasurer's Report: approved as presented. Motion by Ellen Frey and seconded by Barb Trump

Naturalist Report:

- **Changes in classes to begin this month. New class "Wonders of Nature" third Friday of each month from March through December for ages 4-7**

Pavilion: Still waiting to hear from Dennis Bosley—need to meet to finalize position, etc.

Programs:

❖ **Spring Fest:**

- **Moonbounce—reduced price—board decided to rent the generator rather than borrow one. Easier for everyone and there is money from the Sponsors.**
- **Work Day—May 1 at 9AM Some MVHS students to come and help.**

❖ **Easter Adventure**

A success. Not sure of the number of participants; the same or maybe slightly less than last year. This was a more manageable size and everyone appeared pleased. (Approximately 4000 eggs—groups walking to age 3, ages 4-6, ages 7 & 8, ages 9-12)

❖ **Fishing Derby: May 22nd**

Question proposed: Where are the prizes coming from?

Discussed stocking of the pond. Does DNR still do this? Sharon will check with Steve Miller, Town Manager and Donna will also check with DNR.

FACILITIES:

- **No official report given.**
- **Work Day—April 22 12-2 PM Approximately 60 students and 5 teachers from MVHS. Sharon will plan to be available.**

- **Trails—Can the Town get mulch? Dump ½ in parking lot and ½ in Memory Grove. Sharon will check with Steve Miller.**

OLD BUSINESS

- **Bocceball Tournaments—3 dates: June 19-20, August 7-8, October 2-3**
 - Sharon shared a proposed generic poster that can be used in future years.
 - Discussion about ways to reward the winning team. Originally talked about trophies. Ellen R. suggested mugs or steel water bottles.
 - Winning team would receive this and a free membership.
 - Second place winners would receive a free membership and certificate.
 - Sharon will look through catalogs from Eikenberg Printing Co. for possible awards.
 - Vince DePalmer suggested tours at the center 11^{AM}, 2^{PM}, and 4^{PM}.
 - The foundation will supply coffee and donuts in the AM. Sodas and water will be provided on the “honor system”.

NEW BUSINESS

- No new business.

Next Board Meeting, May 3, 2010 at Charlotte’s Quest Nature Center. Councilman Doug Myers is to draw the winning 50/50 Raffle Ticket.

Meeting Adjourned.

**Submitted
Sharon Hughes, Chairperson**