

IAFI Board Zoom Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2022

- 1. Attendance:** Melanie Bell, Brent Cunderla, Lorrie DeKay, Lloyd DeKay, Denis Felton, Gary Ford, Jacqui Hair, Charles Hall, Gene Kiver, Gary Kleinknecht, Ken Lacy, Consuelo Larrabee, Monte Nail, Jim Shelden, Jane Walpole.
Guest: Justin Radford
- 2. Approval of Minutes from October 8, 2022 Board Meeting:**
 - Motion to approve: Consuelo L
 - Motion seconded: Charles H
 - Unanimously passed
- 3. Report on WA State Science Teachers meeting in Wenatchee: Ken Lacy**
 - a. Display worked very well, it was very attention getting.
 - b. All Brochures on Table
 - i. National Park Service
 1. IAFI Trail Connection
 2. Gave credibility to IAFI latest project with the 4th grade.
 - c. Interesting rocks on the table
 - d. ESD Science Coordinator
 - i. Questions asked:
 1. Ken asked him for any suggestions.
 2. Can the state schools use the IAFI teaching unit when it is ready?
 - ii. Response:
 1. No. There is no time for non-formulated teaching units.
 2. Possibly, it may be used in Language Arts.
 - e. Conclusion:
 - i. Identify ESD Science Coordinators and work with them.
- 4. Next year's IAFI Membership Meeting/Field Events agenda: Gary F**
 - a. Agenda is available to review.
 - b. Board needs to help refine the agenda.
 - i. Review
 - ii. Feedback
 - c. Dale sent out an invite on the zoom call to help go over the agenda.
- 5. Membership Management Process update: Lorrie and Lloyd D**
 - a. The changes to records processing has initially decreased the Membership Manager's processing time by about two hours. Substantially less processing time is expected in the future.
 - b. Mail merge APP purchased.
 - i. Has made membership renewal notices easier and quicker.
 - c. Banking transfers worked 100%
 - i. Contact Lorrie if your chapter is having difficulty.
- 6. Trail Manager Update: Justin Radford**
 - a. Educational
 - i. Lake Roosevelt
 1. Teacher Training
 - a. Used NPS curriculum guide.
 - b. Teachers are a great way to get IAFI into their curriculum.
 - c. Possible to create a class that gives teachers hours toward their teaching credits that are required each year. Teaching teachers would generate a path to their students.

- b. Event Calendar:
 - i. Pretty much settled on Dry Falls and Sandhill Crane festivals.
- c. Outreach
 - i. Articles in the "Pleistocene Post"
 - ii. Attend IAFI Board Meetings
 - iii. NPS/IAFI Calls
 - 1. Pull in chapter partners.
 - 2. Bring into the NPS fold.
 - iv. Have a NPS Passport Stamp.
- d. Brochures
 - i. Ordered last year. Used 70% of their resources to publish.
 - ii. This year will focus on getting them to the state parks and museums.
 - iii. What chapters need more brochures?
 - 1. Send an email to Justin.

7. Chapter President's Reports: Gary F

- a. Complete by Dec 15, 2022
- b. Send the report to Gary F.

8. Discussion about re-recruiting lapsed members: Gary F. and Lloyd D.

- a. Last three years show a loss of about 120 members.
- b. Communicate with your lapsed members.
 - i. Personal letter.
 - ii. Email the Link to the new newsletter in January 2023.
 - iii. Email the link to the new IAFI website.
- c. Personalized letter from each chapter president.
 - i. Lloyd D can pull lapsed information per chapter by date.
- d. Gary F will work on a general letter that can be utilized by each chapter. Each chapter will add in their personal information.

9. Website Update: Lloyd D.

- a. October 13 – 18, 2022, the server company messed up the transfer to the new site causing the site to go down for a few days. It is now up and operating properly for the most part.
- b. Currently there is a problem with logging in.
- c. Chapter Presidents:
 - i. Review the information on your chapters.
 - ii. Personalize the information.
 - iii. Review the write-ups and give feedback.
 - iv. Add chapter events. Send Lloyd D the information if you need help.
 - v. Send photos of your board.
- d. Newsletter:
 - i. Send information, in articles, on places to go and things to do in your chapter's area.
 - ii. Jan 10th due date.

10. Should IAFI close its Twitter account? : Lloyd D

- a. Motion to close Twitter account: Lloyd D
- b. Motion seconded: Gary K
- c. Passed unanimously

Reminders:

Board meetings on the second Saturday of each month.