

Friends of South Walton Sea Turtles  
Governing Board Meeting  
August 18, 2015



Present: Beth Coppedge, Catherine Desautels, Gayla Schaefer, Linda Vorhees, Faith Whalen

4:15pm – Meeting Called to Order

Board minutes from July – tabled unavailable

President's Report – Donation Jars doing well, won't add any new locations

Treasurer's Report – July 1 Beginning Balance \$833.40, July 31 Ending Balance \$1715.16

Constant Contact bill due soon. Account needs to be updated with Friends debit card info

Distribution charts shared for awareness materials (placemats, activity booklets etc)

Old Business:

1. Bylaws vote – motion made and seconded to approve revised bylaws presented last month from startup committee. Discussion. 4 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain. Motion approved.
2. Conflict of Interest Policy – motion made and seconded to approve conflict of interest policy presented last month from startup committee. Discussion. 4 yes, 0 no 1 abstain. Motion approved.
3. Cling – President wants design approved in July tweaked. Those with edits need to send them to Gayla so she can compile and send in one email to Faith final tweak.
4. Trash Bash event Aug 22 – starting 7:30am at Ed Walline Beach Access. Will need to check weather on site at 6am to make call about weather – Faith will do as event coordinator. We have buckets, shovels, gloves, trash bags and a scale that have been donated specifically for the Friends Trash Bash events. Discussion regarding need of volunteer release form. Form to be created and present for event. Board to be present at 6:45am to help with set up and check in.
5. 501c3 application update – now that bylaws have been approved they need to be presented to general membership at Aug Trash Bash and voted on at Sept Trash Bash. Bylaws are a part of the application. Rest of application is being worked on. Website updated with info needed for application. Other things needed have been requested. Still on target for mailing in application in October.
6. Outdoor Living Festival – Oct 10<sup>th</sup> 9am – 2pm at Living Oaks Landing. We'll need a couple people to man booth.
7. Pizza By the Sea Fundraiser - Pizza by the Sea is hosting a fundraiser for the Friends of South Walton Sea Turtles on Sept 15<sup>th</sup> at both their Water Color and Gulf Place locations. They are donating 20% of profits of any order placed that day using the code words "sea turtles." Per the restaurant we cannot be on or near location encouraging people to participate in the fundraiser but we can advertise ahead of time. We've been talking about this on Facebook and Instagram since early July.

New Business:

1. TDC Update – Contact from TDC expressing interest in assisting in putting sea turtle information in rentals/hotels. To what extent is unknown at this time. Email will be sent requesting a meeting to discuss further.
2. Education event at V restaurant – Occurred on Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup>. 15 children and 7 parents.
3. Placemats – A couple restaurants have requested a merge of their kids menu with our design so they can just print. This is being worked on as well as creating a template that has space available to be sent to other restaurants that want to do the same.
4. Meeting for September TBD

Meeting Adjourned 5:36pm