Our Mission:



"To educate and provide opportunities for people of diverse interests to work together to improve the environmental, recreational, cultural, and economic resources of the Rock River Basin"

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Wednesday, April, 22, 2015

Next Regular Board Meeting: Wednesday, May 27, 2015 5:00 PM – UW Extension, Jefferson **Attending this meeting:** Jane Carlson, Patricia Cicero, Jim Kerler, Dan Lynch, Suzanne Wade, Joe

Zakovec, Eric Compas, Dave Hoffman

Absent: Jim Koepke,

Call meeting to order at 5:05

1. Introductions: None.

2. Approval of March 23, 2015 Minutes:

Dan motioned to approve the March minutes; second by Suzanne. Motion carried.

3. Announcements:

Happy Earth Day!

4. Treasurer's Report:

Roxanne will no longer be working with us, because the RRC board has decided to go in a new direction.

Suzanne has done her best to summarize the treasurer's report.

As of April 11, 2015 our year-to-date report of total unrestricted funds are \$3,477.91, total restricted funds are \$38,106.14, with a total income of \$41,584.05. Suzanne has made another budget report with updated comments and forecast to refigure our budget and expenses. With Roxanne's absence Suzanne has agreed to organize and simplify the financial reports until RRC hires a new accountant. Motion to restrict spending based on Suzanne's notes to be fiscally conservative by Dan; second by Joe. Motion carried.

Still waiting for reimbursement of FBCW Aquatic Invasive Species and Wetlands grant.

Possibly using \$500 from Quirk grant to help fund Nancy's position. Motion to accept the treasurer's reports by Dave; Jane second. Motion carried.

5. Membership:

Grants:

RRC board discussed calling up past 2014 members, sending press releases, or other ideas to promote the RRC and attract new members. The board agreed we need future discussions on this matter.

6. Stream Monitoring: Tabled until next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

7. Community Shares:

Need for GAAP review. Now that tax season is over Suzanne will spend more time looking into the cost of having a CPA do a GAAP review for Community Shares.

8. Retreat Planning Follow-up: Tabled until next meeting.

9. Annual Meeting:

Awards are complete. Complimentary tickets will be mailed. No new board members except for Tabby Davis our student representative. We will be looking for a new president-elect as Jane will becoming President.

10. Environmental Law Institute Webinars:

Dan briefly discussed the outline for these webinars. Town and Country Resource Conservation and Development (T&CRCD) has proposed topics to discuss for these webinars. RRC needs to set up a contract with T&CRCD.

- 11. Testing the Waters: A Paddle and Probe Adventure: Tabled until next meeting.
- 12. Rock River Recovery Updates: Tabled until next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- 13. Review Membership Benefits: Tabled until next meeting.
- **14. Conservation Buffers:** Tabled until next meeting.
- **15 Letter of Support:** Tabled until next meeting.

16. Newsletter:

Dan and Jim Kerler will be working on July's article. There was some discussion on not having a Fall newsletter and only having two annual newsletters due to budget constraints.

Board discussed the CAFO article that was not published in April's newsletter because of its content. Also, an in-depth discussion on how newsletter editors should handle controversial articles and what stance we should take on non-point source pollution.

Adjourn at 7:45 PM.