

# October 9, 2013 NFLA Board Meeting

## 1. Members Present

The meeting was held at Bonny Ogle's cabin and all board members were present: Karen McDonough, Donna Harrison, Bonny Ogle, Flannery Coates, Alan McNeil, Larry Kinsolving, Allen Chrisman, and Debo Powers.

## 2. Call to Order

Because President Karen McDonough was late to the meeting due to shutting down her cabin for the winter, the meeting preceded without her for a while.

## 3. Computer/Printer

Bonny reported that she now has the refurbished NFLA computer and will be placing all of membership information on it. Gerry has offered to help get new landowners on this list. Donna also offered to help. The membership list needs to be updated before the fall enrollment letter is sent.

## 4. Floor Project

Alan reported that the floor project will be postponed until spring.

## 5. Maintenance Report

Allen reported that the new handrails for the front porch have been cut and will season over the winter.

## 6. Hazardous Fuels Grant

Allen had a grant application for the fuels reduction project on NFLA land. He will get Karen's signature and submit the application. He reported that we have not yet heard from the adjoining neighbors about a project on their land.

## 7. Insurance

Bonny reported that she is still waiting for the policies.

## 8. Fall Enrollment Letter

The board reviewed the fall letter from Mark (North Fork Patrol) and Karen (NFLA) and discussed possible revisions. Flannery will be editing and working on the layout.

## 9. Budget

The final budget was presented by the budget committee. The board reviewed and approved the draft budget as a working budget. The membership will be asked to approve the budget at the June business meeting. It was noted that in order to create a balanced budget, the board will need to raise \$1500 through fundraising projects next summer. A \$5.00 increase in dues would cover this for the following year, if passed, which would mean that fundraisers in the future could go toward special projects rather than operating expenses.

## 10. Dues Increase

The board decided to track any increases in dues as a result of the fall enrollment letter and may propose a \$5.00 increase in dues at the August business meeting. This proposal will be discussed at both the June and July business meetings prior to a membership vote. If the proposal is supported by the membership, the board will take a vote on the increase as required in the bylaws. The dues increase, if approved, would begin with the fiscal year on September 2014.

**11. Name Change**

The board discussed the revised draft position paper on the name change written by Allen Chrisman. Allen will add in the costs, both monetary and volunteer hours, and send the final draft to board members in the next month. The board will finalize the draft at the May board meeting and present recommendations to the membership at the June business meeting.

**12. Next Board Meeting**

The next board meeting will be Wednesday, May 28 at 4:30 at Bonny's cabin.

**13. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 followed by dinner to celebrate another good year on the North Fork.

Minutes submitted by Debo Powers.