

Last FHSP meeting was held on September 26, 2011 @ Fred & Marilyn's home.

Minutes for August meeting were read and approved.

Treasure report for August meeting was read and approved. Ending balance was \$ 2,227.67

*Marilyn will send Thank you cards to all who donated food products for the Kunstfest. The fundraiser was a huge success with a net profit of \$ 630.42

*Marilyn will call about a booth for the Kunstfest next year. She will ask for a booth on Main street. Ed talked about getting Attorney Greg Goedde to do the Articles of Incorporation for the Friends group.

Greg will list the President of Friends of Harmonie State Park (FHSP) as the Registered agent for the Incorporation. The FHSP group address will be Harmonie State Park. The Registered agent will be the President, Ed Knapp

Some of the fees for filing are as follows: \$25.00 for filing the Articles of Incorporation. Federal ID is free. \$400.00 to \$800.00 for Non Profit Status. *Ed will start the process for getting the matching fund (\$500.00) from the State for the Non Profit Status.

*Ed has one quote for Insurance for FHSP but will get other quotes and more information on what is covered and for how much.

Ed talked about the need to get another Web designer. *Ed will call Doug Martin as a possible candidate. Web design was Doug's major at USI. Ed also talked about setting up a FHSP Facebook page. *Ed will look into getting Doug to do this or do it himself.

There were discussions on how to get more PR for FHSP. JC had a letter that he wrote the Evansville Courier in 2009 stating how our State Parks have the facilities and programs to provide families with outdoor fun and experience nature during these financial challenging times. This type of letter could be sent to the Courier, Mt Vernon Democrat and also the West Side Story. Marilyn has sent State Representative Wendy McNamara an email about the FHSP. Wendy is doing a story on Non Profit organizations. More discussions on this subject to follow and an article should be ready for spring of next year.

*Fred will talk to Chastity about getting signs made for FHSP whenever a project is being completed Signs would say, for example, "Stage (or whatever project) made possible by FHSP."

Marilyn talked about making a plaque with names of founding members that could be displayed in a location such as the Nature Center. Ed said there should be a date when the \$100.00 donation would no longer be a "founding member". *Directors will compose a letter that would be sent to all petition signers stating this. We hope to have this accomplished before the next meeting.

A fund raiser Marilyn and Janet Werry talked about was an open concession stand at the Harmonie State Park pool on Halloween weekend (October 29). We could sell their products and get 50% of the profits. JC suggested having a Corn Hole tournament as a fund raiser. Hog & Sauce recently had a Corn Hole tournament and we will need to look into how this went for them and what was involved in setting it up. Another fund raiser would be to bring back the Luau to Harmonie State Park. FHSP would need to front all the money for the Luau and would get 100% of profit less expenses. The decision to go forward with this fund raiser will be determined later after more discussions with members.

A meeting of all Friends groups will be held @ Brown county on November 5th. Fred & Marilyn will attend and bring back information to the group.

The next meeting will be at Alexander Library on Wednesday October 26th @ 6:30PM. All members will be invited.