

Minutes – Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Friends of the
Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Farm, Inc., October 20, 2015

Present:

Mickey Angell
Anne Pierce
Elaine Carson Spencer
Neal R. Spencer
Jim Stephens
Florence Turcotte
Barbara Wingo

Absent:

Dan Anson
Dan Cantliffe
Murray Laurie
Mary Ann Morgan

Others present:

Lowell Garrett
Valerie Rivers

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Friends of Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Farm, Inc., was called to order by President Elaine Spencer at 6:45 p.m. on October 20, 2015, at the Cross Creek Firehouse, Cross Creek, Florida.

President Spencer introduced Lowell Garrett as a potential member of the board of directors. She discussed his background as an urban planner and as the author of an article about the MKR house and the recent play.

The minutes of the July 14, 2015 meeting were approved as corrected,

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Anne Pierce presented the Treasurer's report as of July 1, 2015. She noted the expenses for the website and discussed the status of the certificates of deposit.

Membership Report:

Treasurer Anne Pierce reported that there were eight honorary members, 52 life members, 120 annual members, and three corporate members. 30 memberships are in arrears.

CSO Report and Goals:

Treasurer Pierce presented the proposed CSO report to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Recreation and Parks, which includes accomplishments as well as long-term and short-term goals for the Friends of Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Farm, Inc. Barbara Wingo moved that we accept the report and the goals as presented by the Treasurer (with typographical errors corrected). The motion carried.

Farm Manager's Report:

Park Manager Valerie Rivers mentioned that she had just returned from giving a presentation in Hawthorne of state grants for two county parks. She stated that she was excited about the website, the progress on the ADA access project and the new office facilities.

Upcoming Events:

The upcoming events as set forth on the agenda were noted and discussed.

Newsletter:

Elaine Spencer noted that the next issue of the newsletter has been completed.

Old Business:

Neal Spencer noted that the new website was 90% complete with many thanks to the designer, Stephanie Anson.

New Business:

Lowell Garrett was nominated and elected as a new member of the Board of Directors.

President Spencer noted that she had received an email about non-smoking in state parks as well as a letter from Don Philpot concerning a meeting to be held in Maitland, Florida.

Because of the change in the fiscal and operational year from July 1 to June 30 to a calendar year basis as mandated by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Jim Stephens

moved that the current officers continue in their offices until the end of 2015. The motion was passed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m. with the next Board meeting scheduled for January 12, 2016, at the new park offices.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara C. Wingo
Secretary