

Minutes – Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Friends of the
Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Farm, Inc., April 7, 2015

Present:

Mickey Angell
Don Anson
Dan Cantliffe
Murray Laurie
Mary Ann Morgan
Anne Pierce
Elaine Carson Spencer
Neal R. Spencer
Barbara Wingo

Absent:

Jim Stephens
Florence Turcotte

Also present:

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 6:35 p.m., on April 7, 2015, at the Cross Creek Volunteer Fire Station, Cross Creek, Florida.

The minutes of the January 27, 2015, meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Reports:

Treasurer Anne Pierce presented the treasurer's and membership reports. She reported that house contributions continued to be down. Membership dues were at an expected level. Jim Stephens' donation of his books was noted. Also noted was that \$30 were owed on the Wyman books. All the T-shirts and 2012 calendars have been sold. \$120 was netted from the drawing at the Cracker Holiday Feast event. Roy Hunt has made a contribution of \$100 for the upcoming Invasion of Privacy event. \$1709 has been spent for books to be sold at that event. Books and handouts will be expenses for that event.

Anne Pierce reported that there are 175 members in good standing and 28 with overdue membership dues.

Dan Cantliffe moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, which motion was passed unanimously.

Farm Report:

Valerie Rivers discussed the Ocala Film Festival that will include *The Yearling* and *Cross Creek*. She will be on a panel. Anne Pierce will also make a presentation. There was an extensive discussion of this event. It was suggested that we ask the organizations for a \$100 donation for the loan of our merchandise.

Chickens and ducks have been ordered and will arrive soon. Fighting fleas has been another "activity." Valerie praised the volunteers. May 4 will be a free day, and in May the statewide CSO meeting will occur. On June 6 Valerie will present a program on Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings' Experience of World War II.

Upcoming Special Events:

The list of upcoming events was discussed:

- a. April 8, 2015 – Opening Film, *Cross Creek*, 8 pm, Ocala Film Festival, Marion Theatre
- b. May 9, 2015 – Annual meeting at the Island Grove Firehouse
- c. May 16, 2015 – Annual Blueberry Festival – Island Grove
- d. June 12 – VIP Reception for "Invasion of Privacy", 6-8 pm, Matheson Museum, Chair: Murray Laurie
- e. June 18-20 – "Invasion of Privacy" performances at Santa Fe College

Mickey Angell will arrange for the food for the annual meeting. There will also be a chance drawing. Murray Laurie will provide the program, which will be a preview of the "Invasion of Privacy" event.

Murray Laurie asked for ideas for titles for the "Invasion of Privacy" event. She also indicated that we would sell books and "chances " at performances of the play.

Newsletter:

The newsletter deadline is April 21, 2015.

Reports:

Elaine Spencer reported on the CSO District 2 meeting held on February 28. Neal Spencer and Valerie Rivers also attended.

Elaine also reported on the Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Society conference held March 27-28. Jim Stephens, Anne Pierce and Flo Turcotte were speakers at the conference. Anne Pierce received recognition. At the conference a new rose named after Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings was announced.

Election of Officers:

Mary Anne Morgan, chair of the Nominating Committee, presented the following slate of officers:

President:	Elaine Spencer
Vice President:	Neal Spencer
Treasurer:	Anne Pierce
Secretary:	Barbara Wingo

The slate was elected unanimously.

Elaine pointed out that we need an editor for the Newsletter!

Old Business:

Neal Spencer reported that he was working on updating the website.

It was noted that Anne Pierce's latest scrub trip had been very successful.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be July 14, 2015.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara C. Wingo
Secretary