

## April 24, 2023 KGMS Board Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Dave Haas, President, called the meeting to order via ZOOM. There was a quorum. There were 11 participants.

Treasurer Report: Read and accepted

Secretary Report: Read and accepted

Committee Reports:

### **A. 2023 Annual Show:**

1. Show Theme: Mining Earth's Minerals
2. Dave to make signs for daily door prize drawings, Geode Cracking area, ticket booth and info booth.
3. There will be no access to Lake Street off Kings Highway due to sewer construction during show. Public, vendors and volunteers will need to use Olmstead Road for access to Kalamazoo Expo Center during show. Dave to post detour on Facebook page.

### **Vendors**

1. Dave announced 337 tables have been reserved to date with 47 vendors signed up. \$20715 deposits received.

2. Each vendor to get a packet containing guidelines and copy of 2024 show contract. Vendor contracts would also be available at the Information Booth.

3. Dave is requesting vendor worker names for name tags

4. WMU Geology club has asked for permission to sell overstock of donations to fund their fieldtrip activities. KGMS notified them that they must purchase a table to sell merchandise or limit amount to sell to demonstrator standards

### **Advertising**

1. Rick made a motion for KGMS to spend \$1000 additional advertising to takeover WWMT Home Page for advertising the show. This page averages 150, 000 views and would have a link to the KGMS Show page. This would be just for the Kalamazoo area. To advertise for another 5-6 days in the Sturgis / Lawton area would cost an additional \$670. Motion was seconded and passed for only Kalamazoo area advertising. KGMS will revisit Sturgis / Lawton advertising option for 2024 show.
2. Rick gave an update on postcard distribution
3. Rick announced finalized news release for Channel 3 news regarding WMU Dinosaur Park and KGMS Kids Club

### **Hospitality**

1. Cynthia to post weekend menu in hospitality area by Friday

### **Security**

1. A plain clothed Private Investigator will be onsite during show to help with security

### **Displays**

1. 48 cases have been reserved for the show. Name tags will be in each case
2. Dave needs help picking up display cases at the Paul Kison residence on Wednesday. Meet at Harbor Freight store on Stadium Drive at 4:30. Rick to help.

### **Demonstrators**

1. Sheila reported 7 demonstrators confirmed for the show
2. Cynthia to send email to membership requesting hosting families for demonstrators.

### **Silent Auction**

\*no update

### **Specimen Table**

\*no update

## **Arts/Crafts and Kids Games**

\*No report

## **Gold Panning**

1. Michigan Gold Panning Association will have gold panning setup at the show.

## **Gold Mine**

No Update

## **Volunteers**

1. Sheila reported more volunteers are still needed at show
2. Dave to send scholarship winner names to Sheila for nametags

## **Admission and Tickets**

\*There are 2 ATM kiosks available in Expo Center and Dave spoke with person who will be available to service them as needed during show weekend

## **School Kids/Kids Day**

\* Two schools had to cancel due to lack of bus drivers

## **Speakers/Presentations**

1. Dave is working on speaker schedules at the show
2. Dave to arrange PA system for speakers at show
3. A.E.Seaman Museum to present program of 150 years of Seaman Museum

## **B. Fieldtrip Committee**

1. Kim announced tentative schedule for 2023
  - a. Sylvania Minerals, South Rockwood, Oct 14 (only two clubs allowed per visit)
  - b. Flint Ridge, OH, May 27
  - c. Herkimer/Penn-Dixie, end of June (5 day trip) Kim waiting on more info on collecting areas from local New York club contact

- d. South Haven area beach day, mid-July
- e. Marquette/Keweenaw – First week in August
- f. Cheney Quarry, August 26
- g. Byholt Gravel Pit, End of September
- h. Graves Mountain, GA, first weekend in October

**C. Kids Area Committee**

- 1. No report

**D. Education/Outreach Committee**

\*no update

**E. KGMS 2022 Tailgate**

- 1. No update

**F. Miscellaneous**

- 1. Next General Meeting, May 2.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Cynthia Gauthier  
Recording Secretary

Date Approved with corrections:  
May 15, 2023

Board Title	Elected Person	Attended
President	Dave Haas	Y
Vice-President	Bruce Atherton	Y
Treasurers	Kate Dutrow	N
	Chet Parrow	N
	Anna-Marie Reese	Y
Secretary	Cynthia Gauthier	Y
Liaison	Bill Mitchell	N
Members at Large	Kim Strawbridge	Y
	Rick Berner	Y
	Sheri Crum	N
Media Editor	vacant	
<b>QUORUM (need 5)</b>		Y

#### **Additional Attendees**

Sue Haas—Silent Auction Lead  
Jim Trail—KGMS Club Member  
Sheila Atherton—KGMS Show Volunteer coordinator  
Allison and Jerry VanNocker—KGMS Club Members