

## March 15, 2021 KGMS Board Meeting Minutes

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

Treasurer Report: Read and accepted

Secretary Report: read and accepted with corrections

Committee Reports:

### **A. 2021 Annual Show:**

1. KGMS 2021 show dates are April 30-May 2

#### **Vendors**

2. Dave reported that at least 10 vendors said they would participate
3. Discussion on possibly moving the show to June, July or August timeframe. Dave or Writton to check with Expo Center on availability.
4. Dave mentioned Wings Stadium as a possibility for future events as there were less restrictions and were willing to communicate

#### **Hospitality**

5. No hospitality area like in the past. Food would have to be boxed lunches with all items individually wrapped.

#### **Volunteers**

6. For many members, volunteering at the show is dependent on receiving COVID vaccine

#### **Admission and Tickets**

7. KGMS would be responsible for tracking attendees to ensure compliance with state group gathering restrictions
8. Discussion on how KGMS would handle contact tracing requirement

#### **Miscellaneous**

9. A vote was taken among Board Members and attendees and all agreed that given the current situation and unknown future that an indoor May show in 2021 was not feasible. There were some suggestions for moving the show to an outside venue later in summer, but some feared this would interfere with the planning of the tailgate in September.
10. A motion was made to cancel the May 2021 show and concentrate on planning for the 2022 show. Motion was seconded and passed.

## **B. Fieldtrip Committee**

1. Kim announced 2021 fieldtrips currently being planned
  - a. May 22—La Farge Quarry, Ohio, fossil dig
  - b. June 26—Flint Ridge, Ohio, Flint, Druzy Quartz
  - c. July 17—Sylvania, OH, Celestite/Celestine
  - d. August 6-8—Ishpeming Swap?, various fieldtrips
  - e. August 21—Possible Geode trip
  - f. September 11—Cheney Quarry, Bellevue
  - g. October 2—Byholt Quarry, Schoolcraft

## **C. Kids Area Committee**

1. No report

## **D. Education/Outreach Committee**

1. Bill reported that he was asked to place a rock display in the Parchment Library
2. Dave to make a map for the Plainwell Library Rock display. Dave reported a lack of resources when reviewing lapidary book holdings at Plainwell Library. Many books were still in boxes. He hopes to present rock book candidates for Board approval by September 2021.

3. Bill reported that KGMS received 2 scholarship applications for 2021-2022 school year.
4. Motion was made to keep total KGMS scholarship award at \$3000 with Bill to decide how award is to be divided between applicants. Motion was seconded and passed.

#### **E. KGMS 2021 Tailgate**

1. 2021 Tailgate Date is September 18
2. Discussion on having a second tailgate in early summer 2021 and inviting vendors to participate as a substitution for cancelling May 2021 show.
3. Discussion on extending tailgate hours and/or having a multi-day event to aid vendors that travel from outside Kalamazoo area to attend event.
4. Discussion of expanding tailgate due to cancellation of May 2021 show. Kim Strawbridge to check with Valley Family Church on feasibility of using their parking lot. Dave or Wrifton to check with Expo Center on using Fairgrounds for tailgate. Board members to check with various churches or public areas (malls, parks)

#### **F. Miscellaneous**

1. no report

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm. Next Board Meeting April 19, 2021

Cynthia Gauthier  
Recording Secretary

**Date Approved:** May 20, 2021

| Board Title            | Elected Person     | Attended |
|------------------------|--------------------|----------|
| President              | Dave Haas          | Y        |
| Vice-President         | Keith Agdanowski   | N        |
| Treasurers             | Kate Dutrow        | N        |
|                        | Chet Parrow        | N        |
|                        | Anna-Marie Parthun | Y        |
| Secretary              | Cynthia Gauthier   | Y        |
| Liaison                | Bill Mitchell      | Y        |
| Members at Large       | Donna Siebert      | Y        |
|                        | Rick Berner        | Y        |
|                        | Jim Traill         | Y        |
| Media Editor           | Wrifton Graham     | N        |
| <b>QUORUM (need 5)</b> |                    | <b>Y</b> |

#### **Additional Attendees**

Bruce Atherton, KGMS Member  
Kim Strawbridge, KGMS Fieldtrip Chairman