

## January 20, 2020 KGMS Board Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Dave Haas, President, called the meeting to order at the Great Lakes Bee Shop, Galesburg, MI. There was a quorum.

Treasurer Report: not read

Secretary Report: Read and accepted with corrections

Committee Reports:

### **A. 2020 Annual Show:**

1. Dave Haas reported that Tom from Under the Radar is confirmed to speak at the show. Program to be about Upper Peninsula.
2. Dave reported a possible Trilobite cleaning demonstrator at the show.
3. KGMS is still waiting on some vendor contracts. Suggestion to include more slab or cabbing vendors.
4. A Metaphysical group has rented 3<sup>rd</sup> room in Expo Center and will host a show at the same weekend as KGMS show. There was a lengthy discussion regarding possible public perception that KGMS is associated with Metaphysical group. Suggestions on making a sign indicating non-affiliation with group at entrance and on tickets. Some members of board expressed concern with KGMS board members working with another group at the show as this may give the perception of a conflict of interest. There was some discussion on renting out third room for future shows to reduce possibility of being associated with a non-desirable group.
5. Board reviewed new vendor applications from:
  - a Goldsmithing from Athens, MI

- b Seven Continents minerals and Mining from Saginaw, MI
- c Rocks into Gems
- d Get Stoned from Toledo, OH
- e Love Rocks Lapidary
- f Sigma Solutions

Motion was made to accept five vendors. Motion was seconded and passed.

6. Official show theme is "Mining Earth's Mysteries"

## **B. Fieldtrip Committee**

1. Kim received response from rock club in Canada regarding collecting in Thunder Bay area. Club advised her to check their website.
2. Earth Science club in Northern Illinois has expressed interest in reciprocating fieldtrips. They would like to attend KGMS Cheney Quarry fieldtrip in September and inviting KGMS to Mazon Creek Fieldtrip for plant fossils – Bryceville, Illinois
3. Goldsmithing in Athens has offered to allow KGMS to collect puddingstones on their property

## **B. Kids Area Committee**

1. Workbee to make gem tree bases for Kids craft area at the show will be at Spring Valley Church in Parchment on January 29 at 6:30pm.

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

1. Bill reported KGMS scholarship application is being posted on WMU Geosciences website week of January 20<sup>th</sup>. Bill requested board determine an amount for the scholarships. Board agreed to provide same amount as 2019 and will finalize final amount once applications have been received.

2. KGMS to participate in Kalamazoo Nature Center expo, February 8 from 1200 to 4:30pm. Sally, Kim and Sue to volunteer.

### **E. Miscellaneous**

1. Rick Berner will not be at February Board Meeting
2. Wrifton provided a demonstration of the new KGMS school database
3. Keith will lead February General Meeting
4. Board agreed that KGMS needs a new projector. Motion was made to budget \$200 for purchase of a universal cord to work with Portage Senior Center AV equipment. Motion was seconded and passed. Wrifton has a backup projector at store that KGMS can use.
5. Kim is looking to start a Rocks and Donuts class on Saturday mornings starting in April. Possible meeting place would be Kalamazoo Valley Museum room. Curriculum to be Michigan Field Guide to Rocks and Minerals.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00p.m. Next Board Meeting March 16, 2020  
7:00p.m.

Cynthia Gauthier  
Recording Secretary

**Date Approved:** March 16, 2020

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

**Additional Attendees**

Kim Strawbridge, Field Trip Coordinator