

July 22, 2023 KGMS Board Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Dave Haas, President, called the meeting to order at Mitchell residence. There was a quorum. There were 10 participants.

Treasurer Report: not read

Secretary Report: Read and accepted

Committee Reports:

A. 2024 Annual Show:

1. Show Theme: TBD
2. Tony has ordered geodes for 2024 show

Vendors

3. Dave reported 80 tables are already reserved for 2024 show. KGMS received \$5200 in vendor deposits

Advertising

1. Dave proposed spending \$40-60 per month for online advertising. Dave is looking into advertising on TikTok. Dave would like to hire a professional to do online advertising. Possible contact provided by Rick Berner was Kyle Vickery. A motion was made for KGMS to provide Dave up to \$100 per month for online advertising for 2024. Motion was seconded and passed.

Hospitality

1. No report

Security

1. No report

Displays

1. No report

Demonstrators

1. No report

Silent Auction

*no update

Specimen Table

*A banner is needed at the specimen table identifying it as a club table. Tony to design/make a banner holder for Specimen table. Dave has contact in Kalamazoo for banners

Arts/Crafts and Kids Games

*A banner is needed at the Petoskey polishing area.

Gold Panning

1. No report

Gold Mine

No Update

Volunteers

1. There were almost as many non-member volunteers at the show as there were club member volunteers. There was a suggestion to have members required to volunteer as certain club functions. Houghton club requires members to work at the show or lose membership. Some concern on how to monitor attendance at functions. More discussion in September.

Admission and Tickets

*no report

School Kids/Kids Day

* no report

Speakers/Presentations

1. No report

B. Fieldtrip Committee

1. Kim announced tentative schedule for 2023
 - a. Sylvania Minerals, South Rockwood, Oct 14 (only two clubs allowed per visit)
 - b. Marquette/Keweenaw – 3-13 August
 - c. Cheney Quarry, August 26
 - d. Byholt Gravel Pit, 30 September
 - e. Graves Mountain, GA, 6-8 October (open dig, not a KGMS sanctioned event)
2. Kim resigned from Fieldtrip Chairman starting in 2024. Sheri Crum and Linda Burgeon will take over in 2024

C. Kids Area Committee

1. No report

D. Education/Outreach Committee

- 1, Dave reported Kalamazoo College does not have an Earth Science program and Kalamazoo Valley Community College does not appear interested in supporting scholarships for Earth Science/Geology recipients
2. Jodi Carra will take monitor kids club attendance and badge requirement. Donna needs attendance from previous meetings for MWF.
3. Dave to follow up with WMU on date of Dinosaur installation

E. KGMS 2023 Tailgate

1. First Tailgate meeting was held at Artherton residence. An email was sent to all prior sellers from years 2019-2022.
2. An email was sent to all club members with an information on tailgate and invitation to sell
3. Dave sent out postcards and fliers to other shows. Linda to take fliers to Ohio and Indiana shows

F. Miscellaneous

1. Ron Grenadier to take over as treasurer. Background check and accounting audit necessary prior to Ron taking office in September

2. Senior Center does not want KGMS in large room. Parks department is will to host meetings in previous venue. Cost is \$24 per hour for large room and \$12 per hour for small room. Bruce made a motion that General Meetings move back to old location (now part of Parks Department) Motion was seconded and passed. Bill Mitchell to notify scholarship recipients of new location. Rick Berner to send Peachjar announcement of new location. Dave to change Facebook. Jerry to change website.
3. Bruce will not be seeking re-election as Vice President. New person will be needed.
4. Next General Meeting, September 5.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Cynthia Gauthier
Recording Secretary

Date Approved with corrections:
August 21, 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	N
Secretary	Cynthia Gauthier	Y
Liaison	Bill Mitchell	Y
Members at Large	Kim Strawbridge	Y
	Rick Berner	Y
	Sheri Crum	Y
Media Editor	vacant	
QUORUM (need 5)		Y

Additional Attendees

Sue Haas—Silent Auction Lead
Linda Burgeon – Future Fieldtrip Chairman
Donna Siebert – Kids Area Lead
Tony Payne – Geode Cracking area Lead