

KGMS General Meeting Minutes

November 5, 2019

CALL TO ORDER by Dave Haas, President, at the Western Michigan University, Michigan Geological Repository for Research and Education (MGRRE) building

DOOR PRIZE WINNERS: Martin, Aidin, Audrey Cannon, Sheila Atherton, Martha and Karen Wyatt

SECRETARY REPORT: read and accepted

TREASURER REPORTS: no report

A. 2020 Show Report

- a. KGMS is still looking for a volunteer to run the gold panning activity at the show
- b. Dave requested ideas for 1 or 2 demonstrators at show to include a possible Flint Knapper. Dave to email Demonstrator Guidelines to Kim Strawbridge.

B. Membership:

- a. Dave introduced new members / attendees
- b. Dave encouraged members to work at area rock club shows

C. Fieldtrips:

- a. Kim working on a fieldtrip to Thunder Bay, Canada for late July/August 2020. Kim to check with rock club in the area for possible collecting opportunities.
- b. Kim received a request for another geode collecting trip in Indiana

D. Scholarship Committee:

- a. Bill announced March deadline for scholarship applications

E. Education/Outreach Committee

- a. Sheri Crum requested 1 or more volunteers to stop at schools during the day to encourage teachers to attend Kids Day, promote the show and bus stipend provided by KGMS. She also needs someone to visit high schools to let them know community service hours are available to students who work a minimum of 4 hours at the show.

F. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Membership voted on club officers. Dave provided ballots. Bruce Atherton was write-in for board member.
- b. Dave asked for member input on programs and fieldtrips. Several members expressed interest in learning lapidary skills and how to work machinery
- c. Donna requested volunteers to make gem trees at workbee in January. Date, time and location details to come.
- d. December General meeting/Christmas party, Dec 3. Meeting at 6:00; food served at 6:30. Members must bring own table service, a side dish/dessert to pass and non-alcoholic beverage if other than water. Members can bring 1-2 medium size geodes to be cracked for free. A white-elephant gift exchange will also be done. Member are encouraged to bring 1-2 items for Live Auction as well.
- e. Dave announced How-to books for sale - \$5 each for members
- f. Dave announced no general meeting in January
- g. Program: Show and Tell by members of their recent finds

MEETING WAS ADJOURNED

Cynthia Gauthier, recording Secretary

DATE APPROVED: December 3, 2019