

KGMS General Meeting Minutes

March 7, 2017

CALL TO ORDER: Dave Haas, President, called the meeting to order at the Portage Senior Center.

DOOR PRIZE WINNERS:

Adults: Jim Traill, Crystal Cook, and Pamela

Children: Jonas, Alex, and Akila

VISITORS There were 10.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER REPORTS: Read and Approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Displays: If you want to provide a gem/mineral display for the show please sign up so that we set up the correct number of display cases. The club will be using the newly purchased display cases. Members will not need to bring a case from home, but they will need to provide their own lock.

Field Trips: Initial details of future field trips were discussed.

Annual Show:

1. Donnie Downing volunteered and was approved by the membership to manage the Specimen table.
2. Postcard and posters are available to advertise our event.
3. If working at the show and you need a club T Shirt be sure to sign up with Sherri Crum so she can get shirts ordered.
4. This year the club is offering a prize drawing that any volunteer who completes a 4 hour block of volunteer time at the show, will be eligible to win.
5. Changes in the handling of the Silent Auction were presented: Incremental increase levels were identified - items \$2-5 will increase by \$.25, \$10-15 by \$.50 increments and above \$15 by \$1.00 increments. The distribution ratios to the club - i.e. 100% club donation and 80/20% were explained. As before members

should use colored paper if they were planning on using the 80/20% option and white paper for 100% donation. Members were asked to bring in Meijer bags and newspapers so that we would have these supplies on hand at both the Silent Auction and the Specimen Tables. The buyers will be responsible for wrapping their own items up. Also, members providing items for sale at the Silent Auction table must identify each item - not only what it is; but what is the starting price. No attempt will be made to sell any unidentified or unpriced items; those items will be returned to the donor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Details of Bill Mitchell's hospital recovery were provided.
2. The Rocks, Coffee, and Donuts group will meet 9 a.m. April 1st at the Great Lakes Bee Shop, 47 W. Michigan Ave., Galesburg. 3 microscopes will be available for viewing.
3. New Member Orientation will be provided at the June meeting.
4. The GEMS newsletter is no longer being published. FACEBOOK and the club's website, kalamazoorockclub.org will advertise upcoming events and provide information.

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Keith Aganowski spoke about Petoskey Stones.

MEETING WAS ADJOURNED

Allison VanNocker; Secretary

DATE Approved: April 4, 2017