

Friends of Lower Suwanee and Cedar Keys Nation Wildlife Refuges
Board of Directors Meeting
November 20, 2019
Minutes

1. The agenda was adopted & minutes approved.
2. The treasurer's report was presented by Linda Kimball. Income this year is lower because of fewer life memberships.
3. Refuge Staff Report - Andrew Gude
Annual cooperators' lunch is December 6.
Currently, many staff are out on leave.
The historical assessment of Vista is ongoing at this moment.
The Refuge is trying to develop a virtual reality tour of Seahorse and Snake Keys.
The family youth hunt is this weekend.
Ron Black is now part-time at Shell Mound.
4. Annual Meeting
February 29th
Publicity planned by Deb M. & Peg
Registration by Deb M. & Linda K
Topic tentatively swallowtail kites in am. Vista tour in pm. John T opined that attendees won't walk far.
The nominating committee is Joe Hand, John T and one of the Halls
5. Project reports with discussion
 - a. Bill Dummitt will work on visitor contacts.
 - b. Debbie Meeks- The Butterfly brochure is ready for distribution.
 - c. Peg: no report. John M will contact a potential webmaster.
 - d. Bill D: Sales at Seafood Festival were good.
 - e. Debbie Jordan: Kite Project. We need funds for tracking Suwannee. Possibilities include a new Kite t-shirt and seeking donors to sponsor mileage.
 - f. Door Hangers; A design was presented.
 - g. Roger McDaniels: pepper busting has started and is planned for Dec. 5,12, & 19 and Jan. 9
 - h. John McPherson Daniel Smith owns a kayak business and is a potential partner for the Kayak Initiative.
 - i. Advocacy: no report
 - j. Vista See refuge report
6. Open Discussion
Audubon meeting next Monday. Milkweed Project: Refuge is supportive and has potential land.
St. Marks has an ongoing project.
John T Requested our input about the library talks.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55

Ed DeHaan, Secretary