

Northeastern Cave Conservancy, Inc  
Executive Committee Board Meeting Minutes  
Submitted by Christa Hay  
04/25/2004 – Troy, NY

Meeting called to order at 2:35 p.m.

Attendance: B. Addis, B. Folsom, J. Levinson, C. Hay, C. Porter, C. Cantello.

Due to the rain at the Earth Day event in Troy the NCC booth was taken down and the meeting was moved to the Porter household.

General Discussions: (action items)

- NRO – NCC will sell 50/50 tickets and serve up to 100 dinners, will bring NCC tent, Bob Addis – need to solicit items for auction, Bill Folsom to make motion at NRO meeting for a donation for Clarksville.
- Convention – Christa Hay has been in contact with Jean Devries –NCC has booth space. Possibility of selling lanyards at registration. One fundraising event will be to hold a raffle and have donated prizes of \$100, \$200, and \$300 in value. Christa Hay will be contacting vendors.
- Howe Caverns has expressed an interest in buying 200 lanyards from the NCC. Emily Davis has been in contact with them and we will wait to hear from her.
- Bill Folsom sent to all regional grottos a copy of the article Chuck Porter wrote for NSS with updated numbers.
- This is the 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the NCC as membership based or 25<sup>th</sup> year as Incorporated. Will work on getting signed Clarksville contract and then plan a special gathering.
- Clarksville – current owners are hesitant to give NCC cave rights, Bob has contacted NCC lawyer concerning this – Bob Addis to contact Alberts and meet with them and the lawyer.
- Clarksville leasing is sue- the Alberts are concerned about the access to the parking area when NCC owns the land. NCC to consider leasing (very minimal amount) the Alberts parking rights instead of granting an easement. Bob Addis & Chuck Porter to speak with Alberts on this issue.
- Clarksville survey – survey is complete except for the setting of the final pins. NCC has paid 90% of bill and will pay rest when pins are set. Do want to check some pins that seem very close to the Wards entrance – Bob Addis & Chuck Porter
- Fundraising- Bob Addis and Craig Cantello working on unique idea.
- Melanie Peterson is working on the database for the online access of members.
- Vermont Foreign Corporation – Bill Folsom is still working on this and there will be an electronic vote going out soon.
- Gregory Entrance – electronic vote to go out setting aside money for closing when we get it.
- NSS is allowing groups to use their credit card merchant– Joe Levinson to check on this.
- Joe Levinson will be contacting NSS on the right of first refusal – the application for a grant is already in but on hold until we hear the outcome.
- Joe Levinson is working on 2003 taxes.
- Ella Armstrong – the owner contacted Bob Addis – he is interested in selling off the area around the cave. Bob believes that we should do some checking on the property to see what else is there before we make offer – such as Knox Annex. Bob Addis to continue contact with owner.
- Bob Addis had contact with owner of 2 Second Pit, he will allow cavers on property – need to call in the evenings, he has not said he would sell but might be a small interest.
- Bob Addis found a web site with the Sportmans Law for all 50 states.
- Paul Murphy has volunteered for Finance and Investment committee and has submitted qualifications. Will be added to next board meeting agenda.
- Bob Addis handed out NSS rules for Boy Scouts – will send Aaron & Amy Cox a copy.
- The EC members will have email aliases for \$40/ year.
- Thanks to Chuck Porter & Connie LaPorta for use of their house for the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.