

Minutes of the Meeting  
Friends of Portage Lakes State Park Board  
Wednesday, December 13, 2010 (Approved by Board, December 21, 2010)

The December meeting of the Board of Directors for the Friends of Portage Lakes State Park was held Panera Bread, 3900 South Arlington Road, Akron, Ohio. A quorum was present.

Present: Larry Hunter, Tom Fry, Mark Snyder, and Lynn Stamp  
Absence: Tom Burge  
Guests: Lew Stamp

Larry Hunter called the meeting to order at 8:20 PM.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

A motion was put forward by Lynn Stamp and seconded by Tom Fry to approve the minutes of December 08, 2010 as written. All were in favor. Motion carried. Approved minutes attached as attachment A.

Dog Park:

A short decision followed regarding the Dog Park and major sponsorship update. Discussion ensued.

Grant Status:

Snyder presented the board with an updated list of grant information. Snyder explained that he is holding the Welty grant for until next year to be reworked for another area other than the dog park. Snyder then discussed foundations that he will be approaching in the beginning of 2011 including Lockheed Martin among others. Stamp asked Snyder why is he waiting to apply. Snyder answered that a few were already approached for this year and other have cycles that are in the first quarter of 2011. Grant report attached at attachment B.

Bylaws Changes

Snyder proposed two amendments to Friends of Portage Lakes State Park Bylaws, attached as attachment C. A short discussion followed as to additional changes to director's positions. Discussion ensued regarding bylaw changes.

Lynn Stamp put a motion forward to approve the changes attached seconded by Tom Fry. All were in favor. Motion carried. Notice will be sent to the general membership two weeks before the next general membership meeting.

Executive Session:

Mark Snyder made a motion at 8:55 PM to enter into an executive session to discuss a member's conduct. Tom Fry seconded the motion. Motion carried. The board exited executive session at 9:10 PM.

The next Board meeting of Friends of Portage Lakes State Park is scheduled for Tuesday, December 21, 2010 at 8:00 AM at McDonald's, 3273 Manchester Road, Akron, OH 44319 and January 13, 2011 located to be determined.

Tom Fry made motion of adjournment at 9:11 PM seconded by Mark Snyder. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark A. Snyder, Secretary

**Attachment A: Minutes of the Meeting**  
Friends of Portage Lakes State Park Board  
Wednesday, December 8, 2010 (Approved by Board on December 13, 2010)

A Special Meeting of the Board of the Friends of Portage Lakes State Park was held at the Portage Lakes Kiwanis Civic Center, 725 Portage Lakes Drive, Akron, Ohio 44319. A quorum was present.

Present: Larry Hunter, Tom Fry, Mark Snyder, and Lynn Stamp  
Absence with notice: Tom Burge  
Guests: Lew Stamp

Larry Hunter called the meeting to order at 8:02 PM.

President's Report (Larry Hunter)

No Report

Secretary Report (Mark Snyder)

Minutes from the previous board meeting were unavailable.

Treasurer's Report (Tom Burge)

No Report

Vice President's Report (Tom Fry)

No Report

Director's Report (Lynn Stamp)

No Report

New Business

Snyder presented members of the board with information on a possible major sponsor for the dog park. A short discussion followed including talking with other dog park groups and seeking outside information. Discussion ensued regarding the Dog Park.

Discussion ensued regarding the Friends of Portage Lakes State Park current website. Fry made a motion to engage for services R.S. Systems for redesign, hosting, and technical support of new website for \$600.00. Mark Snyder seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

Lynn Stamp made a motion to approve the purchase of [www.friendsofportagelakes.org](http://www.friendsofportagelakes.org). Fry seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

Tom Fry made a motion to form a membership committee; Mark Snyder agreed to handle this new committee and to keep dues levels the same. Stamp seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

The next Board meeting of the Friends of Portage Lakes State Park is scheduled for Monday, December 13, 2010 at 7:00 PM at Panera Bread, 3200 South Arlington Road and January 13, 2011 located to be determined.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark A. Snyder, Secretary

## **Attachment B: Grant Report for Dog Park, Bird, and Butterfly Trail**

### **Grants Submitted = \$68,150.00**

Bank of America, submitted 10/4/10, \$5,000.00  
Dominion, submitted 10/4/10, \$5,000.00  
State Farm Foundation, 10/4/10, \$5,000.00  
Build-A-Bear, 10/4/10, \$5,000.00  
Northern Ohio Golf Charities, 09/30/10, \$5,000.00  
OMNOVA Solutions Foundation, 10/8/2010, \$5,000.00  
Mills Foundation, 10/8/10, \$5,000.00  
Bogges Memorial Foundation, 10/8/10, \$5,000.00  
The Mary S. and David C. Corbin Foundation, 10/21/2010, \$10,000.00  
PetCo Foundation, 11/09/2010, \$2,500.00  
Lloyd L. and Louise K. Smith Foundation, 11/11/2010, \$650.00 (Bird)  
Moffitt Foundation Co-Trust, 11/14/2010, \$5,000.00  
Ritchie Memorial Foundation, 11/14/2010, \$5,000.00  
Welty Family Foundation, 12/1/2010 for June 2011 meeting, \$10,000.00

### **Pre-Application Submitted - \$20,000.00**

Akron Community Foundation, \$5,000.00, received approval to submit for 2011.  
GAR Foundation, \$5,000.00, submitted, 10/4/10  
Knight Foundation, submitted 10/7/10, \$5,000.00  
JP Morgan Chase & Co., 11/11/2010, \$15,000.00

### **Inquiry Letters Sent to Foundations**

Sisler McFawn Foundation, 10/4/10  
Lehner Family Foundation, 11/11/10, \$15,000.00

### **Denied Letter of Inquiry or Grants**

The Hershey Foundation, 10/7/10, denied application inquiry  
Lockheed Martin, 10/4/10, \$5,000.00, denied  
The Margaret Clark Morgan Foundation, \$5,000.00, denied  
Lowe's Foundation, \$5,000.00, denied  
GoJo Community Grant, \$5,000.00, denied

### **Foundations to Approach First of 2011**

*Lockheed Martin*  
*Margaret Clark Morgan Foundation*  
*Lowe's Foundation*  
*GoJo Community Foundation*  
*Medical Mutual*  
*Goodyear*  
*R C Musson & Katharine M Musson Charitable Foundation*  
*The Nord Family Foundation*  
*Michelson Foundation Charitable Trust*  
*Mary and Dr. George L. Demetros Charitable Trust*

**ATTACHMENT C: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE  
BYLAWS OF FRIENDS OF PORTAGE LAKES STATE PARK**

Article IV – Membership

In the first sentence of Section 2 in Article IV, delete the words “for the current calendar year” and insert in place thereof the words “for one year, twelve months”

Article VI – Board of Directors

Insert new section (Article VI, Section 4. Director Emeritus) to read, the Board may from time to time confer the title of Director Emeritus on a former Board member who has served with distinction and made a significant contribution to the organization. A Director Emeritus shall be entitled to notice of all Board meetings and attendance at regular and executive sessions, but a Director Emeritus shall not be counted as a regular member of the Board, nor shall this person be entitled to vote. The term of Director Emeritus shall continue for life unless terminated by resignation or by revocation by the Board. The term of a Director Emeritus shall be temporarily suspended during any period for which that person is re-elected as a regular voting member of the Board.