

MINUTES

Danby Community Council
Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, August 4, 2016, 7:00 pm

Board Members present: Alison Christie (Pres.), Gould Colman (VP), Bill Evans (Secr.), Ted Crane (ex officio, non-voting), Susan Franklin, Katharine Hunter (late), Danny Wheeler (late)

Board Members absent: Julie Clougherty (Treas.)

Others present: none

Welcome & Announcements

Alison notes the HMS Pinafore her family is performing in at CRS Barn Studio 8/5-7. She also notes the upcoming WDCA Summer Picnic at the Hatch Pavilion, Sat. August 27, 4:30pm. And, the WDCA Concert at Wayne Myers featuring Richie & Rosie, 4pm, Sat, September 10.

Minutes

Alison moved to pass the July 7, 2016 Minutes as amended and all approved.

Event Follow-up

Fun Day – Travis and assistants managed the kid's station with many clever games. The T-shirt screen printing went well. The natural history booth, which had a display of roadkill butterflies and notice of the upcoming stream conference, was busier than the previous year.

Stream conference – 12 presenters gave attendees a diverse and interesting program centered on Danby's Streams, which was followed by moth watching at a lighted sheet with Cornell entomologist, Jason Dombroskie. Bill had estimated 20 for the pre-program dinner but only 15 showed, so there was quite a bit of food left, even with multiple meals served after the event. GreenStar catered for a cost of \$345 (2 main courses for 10 each and three types of salad serving 16 each). In hindsight we could have ordered 10s on the salads. We also went through 7 containers of organic lemonade from Wegman's and numerous jugs of water. There were several estimates of 50+ attendees but the event was long (6pm-10pm) and numbers had dropped by 50% near the end. Bill donated the cost of the chair rental and the Parks waived the \$100 pavilion rental fee due to the fact it was a public educational event.

Events Scheduled

Honey Bees -- presentation and field trip by David Hopkins and Peter Borst. August 21 2pm at Town Hall.

Spiders -- presentation by Linda Rayor. October, 29th 7pm at Town Hall

Event Planning

Harvest Festival – October 16, 2-6pm was decided upon. Alison questioned whether we should have vendors.

Jennings Pond Film – Alison has been in contact with Dave about an article for the Danby Area News.

Augusto Diemecke, a violinist, and Pablo Cohen, a guitarist, are a possibility, or a quartet involving some of Augusto's students.

International night – January or February (Namibia?)

Youth Program

Long discussion on the Youth Program manager's (Travis) resignation and the challenge of getting an enduring staff person for program continuity. A job notice for a new Youth Program manager has been posted. Youth Subcommittee meeting is Monday August 8th.

Financial Reporting

Alison discussed the idea of making a donation to the church.

Meeting Adjourned ~10:15pm

Respectfully submitted by Bill Evans