

## NKUCFC Steering Committee meeting minutes

In attendance! Peter Stutts, Crystal Courtney, Bob White, Rachel Comte, Kris Stone Michele Stanton, Jessica Spencer, and Mat Frantz. March 17, 2016 at 6:30pm

## OLD BUSINESS

### Financial reports

- We reviewed the financial reports and the PWTS MADE about \$700 this year. Likely because it was \$5 more this

### Change of Secretary

- All were in favor of Tara Sturgill becoming Secretary allowing Mat Frantz to focus on UTC and the GIS committees. Motion passed.

### Public Workers

- Everyone said the seminar went very well and Michelle did a great job.
- Michelle provided the survey results.
- Crystal suggested we consider the timing because there were many other seminars in February this month and she was only allowed to go because there was bad weather.

### Certified Arborist Update

- There haven't been any applications yet
- It was suggested that we offer

### GIS Committee (UTC)

- Independence a model for a tree board
- Rachel just shared the UTC data this week on her website so they can access it and know why we have it.

### Reforest update

- Crystal said we could always use more tree leaders
- We're up to 263 registrants so far
- Field prep will be next Saturday to remove invasive and cut stump treatment on site at noon until 3:00pm

### Aquarium partnership progress

- No updates
- Rachel met with Rick urban today about Newport stuff. The cottonwood tree will be preserved and protected during construction. Bob suggested that Bartlett pay for cabling if needed as PR.

### Research partnership

- Crystal met with Matt last weekend to orient him to the 2016 site.

## NEW BUSINESS

## TIOC

- The date and place will be October 20th at Twin Oaks

## Vote for the New Secretary

## Update on the Four Buckets of the Steering Committee

- Each topic will have several months of attention:
  - Strategic planning will be January through the end of the year or until finished.
    - The final draft strategic plan was reviewed. Jessica moved to adopt it. We voted and everyone was in favor.
  - Membership will be April to May.
    - Rosie was unable to make it but provided
  - Fundraising will be June through August.
    - Rachel reviewed with everyone on our sources of income in order to brainstorm where else we could generate funds
  - Programs will be September to October
    - Jessica presented the plan for evaluating Council programs
- Next membership meeting April 21st- Matt is working on the winery meeting which could include a tasting at stoneybrook and they are very flexible. Should include a 30 minute business meeting.
- All steering committee meetings will be the second Thursday's and membership meetings will only ever be on a third Thursday.
  - Steering committee dates: April 14th, May 12th, June 9th, July 14th, August 11th, September 8th, October 13th, November 10.
  - Membership meeting dates: April 21, June 16th, August 18th, September 15, October 20th
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- Pete is working on a state wide individual tree inventory using arc collector which requires a license and arcgis online. He would love to get it out to the public some day. It's modeled to be put into a production system so you can collect data on whatever your there to collect each time. It would be perfect for arboretums and cities. The database has all kinds of forms including risk assessment and track forms. They aren't to a final product yet but they are really happy with it so far.