

Spring Creek Coalition Board Meeting Minutes, March 12, 2020

On March 12, 2020 the Spring Creek Coalition board met at the Schusterman Library in Tulsa Oklahoma.

At 6:15 the meeting was called to order by SCC VP Bill Chambers with President Beth Rooney present on the phone. Members present were Martha Blackburn, Bill Chambers, Jim McCoy, David Martinez, Beth Rooney(phone) and Angela Brazeal.

An executive meeting was held until approximately 6:45

Motion/passed: A motion made by Angela to accept February minutes, seconded by David Martinez.

The board discussed goals for 2020. Beth Rooney volunteered to draft the list of preliminary goals that was made.

A short discussion was held about the annual meeting on what went well and what could be improved. Having community input was good. Having two speakers made the meeting go too long. It was suggested we keep the number of speakers to one next year.

Tree planting was a success with about 15 volunteers including a chili feast at the end by Martha Blackburn.

Bill Chambers noted that Meloyde Blancett's bill on poultry setbacks died in committee again this year in spite of many people having sent in postcards urging that the bill be heard and a personal visit from Bill and Grant Hall to the committee chair.

Karen Harris attended Oklahoma Water Lobby Day March 5 and reported that great networking opportunities were present.

The March treasury report and 2020 budget were presented by Jim McCoy.

Motion/passed: A motion made by Martha Blackburn to accept the March Treasurer's report and to approve the 2020 budget, seconded by Bill Chambers.

Fundraising plans were discussed by Martha Blackburn and Jim McCoy. Saturday, April 4, 6pm is the date set for the Cedar Crest Fundraiser in the Wigwam.

George Kamp update us that Waterkeepers Alliance is reviewing our application to become an affiliate and will have a final ruling in the next few weeks.

Beth Rooney reported on our Water Quality Monitoring Program. We have received our \$9,950 grant from the Kirkpatrick Foundation. Beth, Bill, and Kelly Foster will be

meeting with the head of GRDA's laboratories on Friday, March 20, to discuss how they might be able to partner with us.

The following announcements were made:

- a. Earth Day, Saturday, April 18, 3pm-11:30pm, Guthrie Green, 50th Anniversary; Joy Harjo, Oklahoma's poet laureate, and Pam Kingfisher are guests. We will be sharing a table with Green Country Guardians; Bill Chambers and anyone else who can help.
- b. Earth Note 2020, Saturday, April 18, Hanging Rock Camp, Tahlequah, 9am-11:45pm – Kathy Tibbits has asked if we can send a speaker, set up a table at her event. Gayle Ross said she could do it; Bill volunteered to get her materials.
- c. HB4127 - Directing GRDA to conduct a study on the sale of the waters under its control to Missouri – this bill was withdrawn after many call-in protests.

Minutes respectfully submitted by SCC Secretary Angela Brazeal