

Helena Mineralogical Society Meeting Minutes

February 18, 2016

Submitted by Carolyn DeMartino

Announcements

Martin Landry, president presided over the meeting.

Program

Gary Parisi talked about his trip to Quartzite, Arizona and showed us some of the treasures he brought back home.

Show Chair –Gary Parisi

Gary Parisi updated the club members about the show status. Show dates are April 9th and 10th, with set-up beginning around 1 pm on Friday the 8th. Following the show set-up; we will have a potluck. The club will provide fried chicken. Please bring a potluck item to share.

Everyone was reminded to sign-up on the sign-up sheets to work at the show. Sean and Race will stay overnight to guard the venue.

Grab bag filling will take place at Wayne Water's house on March 26 or April 2 if needed. Natalie Jordan is in charge of getting the grab bags made this year. Carolyn DeMartino volunteered to take a bag of grab bags to sew.

Carolyn will get 50 copies of the new show poster printed for free at Allegra. Carolyn did get the window at US Bank reserved for March 21 – April 1 for free advertising of the show. Martin decided that since we couldn't advertise during the week before the show it might be better to cancel the window and avoid confusion.

Treasurer's Report – Terri Smith/ Jim Bruce

Terri was not at the meeting so there was no treasurer's report. Bills that were presented included: \$20 for Jim Bruce for non-profit status filing and a bill for stamps; Natalie presented a bill for cookies, and \$6 for Wayne for keys. A motion was made to pay the bills and it was passed.

Fieldtrip Chair – Wayne Waters/ Martin Landry

Wayne Waters has agreed to become the Fieldtrip Chair. Please let him know if you would like to lead a fieldtrip; or if you have ideas for fieldtrips.

Member At Large - Gene Hodge

Absent

Historian/ Secretary-Carolyn DeMartino

Carolyn mentioned that a new starfish fossil was found in MT.

New Business

Do we want to move the Christmas Party to the Stevenson-Wilke Funeral Home banquet room or stay at Hannaford Church? The funeral home banquet room would be free.

Pete Knudson donated Baculites to our club for the upcoming show.

BLM renewed our permit. Bob Cronholm at the Department of Environmental Quality also keeps a file too.

The Hard Rock Miner's exemption will be filed in April.

Our Business Entity claim for non-profit status was filed.

A motion was made and passed that we will charge \$1 for the plastic bead bracelets.

Special Notes

The HMS Club's next meeting will be Thursday, March 17, 2016, at the Neighborhood Center at 7 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.