

Olathe Gem & Mineral Society
Board Meeting Notes
January 23, 2018

Call to Order: 7:00 p.m.

Officers Attendance: Larry Wells - President
Deb Bryant - Vice President
Spring Wittmeier - Secretary
M. John Robinson - Membership Chair
Norm Onnen - Past President
Dan McDaniel - Website

General Announcements:

- 1) Deb Bryant brought show and tell item. Bronze painted bones displayed.
- 2) Facebook link added to the webpage, works nicely.
- 3) Since Nov 2017 Norm Onnen has been on staff as a volunteer fossil preparer in the Dino Laboratory at Science City located in Union Station, Kansas City, MO.
- 4) Club banner has been modified to remove "Overland Park" and "Shawnee Mission". Norm's wife will alter it to remove shorten the top.

President's Comments:

- 1) General meeting Feb 6th presentation is: Gem Identification Part II, presented by Larry Wells. He will specifically discuss using sw/lw UV light.
- 2) Norm Onnen was removed as signator at Credit Union and Larry Wells was added.
- 3) Club's website address was incorrect on the Gem Show pamphlet so Larry is working with Kara to get it corrected.
- 4) For the upcoming March show we need to know who plans to display a case, who can volunteer at the show and swap dollar participants.
- 5) Larry will pass around March show sign up sheet from Kara.
- 6) Larry will pass the letter from Don Smith regarding "swap dollars" to everyone at the Feb general meeting.

Vice President report:

- 1) Mike Purduski has volunteered to be the field trip coordinator. He will be sworn in at the next general meeting.

Membership report:

- 1) Current membership list and dues paid discussion. We currently have 43 paid memberships but 51 total members.

- 2) M. John will request sign ups for display cases at the March show via email.

Treasurer's report:

- 1) Reports will be available upon request.

Website Report:

- 1) Website is up to date with available general and board meeting minutes.
- 2) All library resources should be sent to Dan so he can update the list for the website.
- 3) Dan offered to put waiver on website. After discussion, it was decided that we would not put the waiver on the website.

Past President:

- 1) Need someone who is an Olathe resident will need to reserve the Lone Elm Park for summer picnic. Deb will handle reserving the park shelter since she is an Olathe resident. She will try to reserve for Saturday, June 2nd or 9th.
- 2) Soon RMFMS will ask for our intent to attend the annual conference. It will be moved from Colorado to Rapid City, SD. We will need a representative and alternate for the conference. Larry suggested that Norm be the representative for our club at the conference.

New Business:

- 1) T-Rex restaurant closed and some fossils were salvaged and will be sold at March show to benefit Science City.
- 2) Spring will bring old laptop and Dan will try to get the projector working with it.

Upcoming Events:

- 1) March 9-11, 2018 - March Gem & Mineral Show.
- 2) July 20-22, 2018 - Annual RMFMS convention in Rapid City, SD.

Adjourned: 8:20 p.m.