**Friends of Cheyenne Mountain State Park Board Meeting**

July 15, 2013

Members present were: Pat Cooper, Susan Simmons, Steve and Joyce Johnson, Lori O’Hare, Glen and Barb Scott and Mitch Martin.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm.

The minutes from June were approved by unanimous vote.

**Reports**

**Treasurer’s Report:**  Total assets are: $22,463.77

**Membership:** No new members.

**Communications:** We have a new web site. Pay Pal is up and running. It will not be live until all the bugs are worked out, hopefully in a month. Pat suggested we look at the web sites of Friends of Cheyenne Canon and check out how updated the site is.

**Volunteer Update: A** lot of trail work has been done.

**Park Manager Update:** This fiscal year, we are ahead in revenue from last year. Jeannette is working out well, as is the seasonal staff. A band was procured before the request was sent to the friends. We voted via e-mail to pay the $400 for the band that played for the 4th on the third. Mitch spoke with Pat Grove and he assured us from now on, money requests will be made before money is spent.

Also, Mitch will need $400 for the VOC band.  We have $350 left in our budget for this purpose so Mitch suggested we take $50 from the $300 used for Pat's Visa Card (Educational Programs) which has about $44.05 remaining. Glen moved that the Friends give $50 for the band it was seconded and approved.

Training for sawyers will begin in August. We have donated $400 for two persons to take the class. Any one taking the class must donate 40 hours to the park over a two year period. Some mitigation has already been done by the staff.

The state architect has come up with a rendering of a possible memorial wall/patio. The cost would be $35,000. It is possible that in the fiscal year 0f 2015, something could be done by the park. Mitch will write a justification and send it in in February. It is felt we need a venue for recognition and a multipurpose plaza. Dave Jewett has a bench to memorialize him, on Cougar Shadow, but his family was told it may be moved if a memorial wall is built.

**Old Business:** Pat suggested we allocate the remaining NEEF funds. We therefore allocated $500 for new brochures, $150 for board member name tags, $500 for Junior Ranger program, $200 for marketing supplies and $100 for software.

Pat showed us a reworked logo. She and Dan used the logo we had liked at the last meeting and changed the colors and some of the details. Glen then suggested looking at the current logo in a new way. He had been able to change it to a square or round logo. It was moved and seconded that if the original logo (as used in the pin design) could be used in a square form, it would continue to be the logo. Our logo consists of the bear and the mountain scene with Friends of CMSP under it.  The pin has the logo inside with 2 borders and Cheyenne Mountain State Park spelled out in the outer border.  All of the borders are outlined in gold. If not, we would use the logo Pat and Dan had worked on. The vote was in favor. Glen was asked to coordinate with Dan to see if the original logo could be worked to our needs.

It appears that there will be money left over from the history exhibit in camper services. The donor is willing to defer to the history committee as to how the remaining money should be spent. The committee would like to use the east wall as a top of the mountain exhibit.

Glen said that the Junior Ranger program still needs $500 to print the hand books. Mitch said the park could pitch in $500 more, for a total of $1500.

Glen has a brigade from Fort Carson lined up to haul tools for the VOC event. He and Mitch will also meet with the Air Force Academy to see about cadets helping.

**New Business:**

Our next meeting will be at 5:00 on August 12. Motion was made to adjourn. Motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Simmons, Secretary