Friends of Cheyenne Mountain State Park Board Meeting

September 10, 2012

Members present were Jack Busher, Glen Scott, Lori O’Hare, Barb Scott, Susan Simmons and Stacey Lewis.

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 pm. The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed and approved.

**Reports:**

**Treasurer’s Report:** As of August 31, 2012**,** ouroperating account contains $12609.01, non restricted balance is $3993.01, savings is $5519.84 and the endowment fund holds $5029.86

**Membership:** Steve and Joyce Johnson, Ken Reed, Joyce Soules, Jan and Roger Hill, Bob and Jean Danforth, Kathie and John Brandon, Myra and Mac McCoy and Tana and Joe Clement are new members.

**Communications:** There is ongoing concern thatinformation is not getting out about park activities.

V**olunteer Update:** The yearly volunteer banquet will be November 29 at The Warehouse.

There will be a meeting at the park on September 18th, sponsored by the Foundation for Colorado State Parks. This organization has supported our park employee training in the past and is involved with all 42 state parks. They are looking for feedback on sponsoring activities at the park, enabling the organization to have more funding capability.

No news on fire mitigation.

When are the plot studies going to occur?

Pat Grove and volunteers engaged 180 middle schoolers for a day at the park.

**Park Manager Update:** Brent Connell (seasonal) will be at work October 1.

The management plan is being presented to the public.

**Old Business:** Lori is resending Whole Foods information to Jack.

Barb has made a contact on Fort Carson who is interested in buying wooden cookie ornaments. Barb is making ribbons and attaching them to the cookies. They will be sold for $4. Glen moved to appropriate $50 for making wooden cookies. It was seconded and approved.

The NEEF grant has been signed. Pat Cooper will be instrumental in administrating the grant.

The posters have gone out for No Child Left Inside. Free park passes will be given (while they last) to enlisted families. The monies come from interest from the endowment and an additional $50 from an anonymous donor. Signs need to be posted at the entrance booth, so enlisted persons know.

Wounded Warriors’ non profit will have barbeque available.

The military display group is meeting on the 18th. Kit Carson is getting clothes and a plaque. The display should be completed by before Camper Services opens in the spring.

**New Business:** There were about 70 VOC volunteers on Saturday plus 13 crew members. There were about 10 less on Sunday. The Dixon trail work was a great success (thank you, Jack). The weather was good and everyone enjoyed the band (Out of No Where) in the evening. There was great cooperation with the army in hauling the tools. Thank you to Glen for working those details.

It was moved to appropriate $125 for Subway for lunches for the Trip to the Top. It was seconded and passed. 19 people are planning on making the trip, along with Mitch and Stacey.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15. The next meeting will be October 8, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Simmons, Secretary