

Suncoast NPS  
Board Meeting  
April 29, 2008

**Board Members**

Present: Harriett Wright, John Miller, Mary Miller, Troy Springer, Shirley Denton, James Wheeler and Margo Funk

Quorum present: Yes

Others present: Yes

**Proceedings:**

Meeting called to order by President, Harriett Wright

March minutes were amended and approved by Mary and seconded by Harriett and approved unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Cash in Bank	\$ 7,768.37
CD with Sun Trust	6,260.43
Petty Cash (raffle)	<u>40.00</u>
Total Cash	\$ 14,068.80

**New Business:**

Harriett gave John the grant application that the board approved to pay \$500. to Naturewise, Inc.

John brought the report on USF plant sales for 2007. It was approved by James and seconded by Mary and approved by the board.

James brought up several ideas for the future plant sales. We need additional material for handouts and would need to provide water and food for the volunteers. We also need someone to pick up books and basic information for the booth. Have a separate committee, possibly Outreach, to take care of books and man the table and possibly have plant to show.

For the Butterfly Sale at USF Botanical Gardens, on June 14 and 15, Troy will need two tables to display books, handouts and plants. He will request to have native plant vendors adjacent to our booth. Volunteers will man the booth both days. James requested to have twenty extra newsletters printed for handouts at our meetings, the plant sales and events. Upcoming events are possibly for Busch Gardens employees and homeowners associations. Mary will notify Shawna to change Troy to Outreach Committee instead of Education.

Shirley brought information on upcoming field trips. Visit a green or environmentally friendly house. Seed collecting, Bok Tower, edible plants, plant propagation and plant rescue. Mary would like to coordinate speakers with the same topics as field trips for future programs and contact speakers from the state conference.

Troy will supply the Real Florida Gardener publication for meetings and functions. He is a member and has access to the publication. FNPS has an ad in the publication and a membership application. Troy will make changes for the Cypress Mulch Brochure and e-mail the board. The state board wants no rubber mulch or enviro mulch in the brochure and will need proof of the changes. Troy will get the cost with the differences and the breakpoint for quotation and send to the board for review. John said FNPS would provide the tax I.D.

James gave a report on his project for using natives in the medians around his area.

Troy will have the next board meeting at his house on Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>. This time was changed by e-mail to Wednesday, May 28, 2008.

Mary made a motion to adjourn the meeting and John seconded.