

Meeting called to order at 6:32. pm

Lauren made a motion to accept the minutes as written for the April meeting, seconded by Nick. Motion passed by voice vote.

Mandy Smith was introduced and welcomed by the group; she is Education Manager. They are evaluating the parks non-public programs, school programs, as well as non- school programs. Environmental programs were suggested.

Carol made comments. Suggested committee members should not approach other committees with any official matter without prior voted mandate.

1. Education is a learning process that increases a person's knowledge in all aspects of the natural world including but not limited to rocks, plants, animals and in general; those things not substantially altered by human intervention'." Seconded by Nick. Vote made 5 for and one against (Jan).

2. Jeff motioned "I move that the Nature Education Committee recommend to the Mill Creek Metro Park Board of Commissioners to adopt a policy that all school programs offered by the park be correlated and aligned with state standards .These programs will be reviewed yearly to insure they are in compliance with the most recent standards." Nick seconded and amended by Kat. Motion voted and carried.

2. Jeff motioned "The Nature Education Committee recommend to the Mill Creek Metro Park Board of Commissioners that education be added to the MCMP mission statement"[The mission of Mill Creek Metro Parks is to provide park recreation, educational and open space facilities of regional significance.}" This motion seconded by Nancy, voted taken and passed by all.

Next meeting 6:30 pm on Thursday July 6, 2017.

Motion made to adjourn by Kat, seconded by Nick and all agreed. 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Hubbard