

Bexar Grotto Meeting

Date: August 8, 2016

Aaron Wertheim called meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
34 attendees

Visitors

Adam Oliver

Treasury report provided by Pam Campbell

Total \$9,245.50

Organization Reports

TSS – No news per Marvin Miller. Meeting in two weeks.

TSA – No news. If you have any stories about caving, please send to Jill Orr.

TCMA - Gregg Williams said no real big business. There is a construction project at Deep Cave. 95% done per Don Arburn. They are looking for donations to cover a gap. They spent a little more in order to make it nicer. UT Grotto gave \$700. Aggies donated \$300. They need about \$800. They are lacking some ceiling insulation and plywood on the interior. They need it to rain to wash some stuff away.

NSS – Nothing new to announce. Geary Schindel said they had 1.3 million dollars owed on the headquarters. They are hoping to burn the mortgage at the next convention. After the hydro geo workshop Geary will ask for another donation to NSS since they are donating the books.

Old Business

- Jessica Buckles asked Wade if he has ordered shirts. He needs money to reorder. Wade was out this week so we will ask him at next meeting how much money he needs to order.
- Trailer – Official grotto trailer – it has been tossed around to buy one. Rob Bissett would be in charge of buying it. He would like to get options and then take it to committee to make the final decision.

New Business

- Bennett Lee made a motion to donate \$800 to cover remaining expenses at Deep Cave. Marvin Miller seconded the motion. All I's.

Announcements

None

Upcoming trips

- September 16, 17 & 18th- NCRC Course - already full - will be held at Punkin/Deep.
- Jill Orr is doing a Meteor Shower party at Deep & Punkin this weekend.
- August 28 - Dig at LaChance Sinkhole in New Braunfels. Call Geary Schindel if you are interested.
- September 9, 10 & 11 - Deep Survey Trip - Full
- September 20 - October 2 - Hydro Geo weekend
- October 13-16 - TCR Convention - Price is going up a little bit this year. The theme is Magical Forest Creatures. Don Arburn discussed the various events that will take place. No glass containers.
- There will be a work weekend closer to TCR time to help pre-clean the location site. Don Arburn will announce on Facebook.
- Orion Knox has been asked to do a personal tour of Natural Bridge Caverns.
- Second weekend in October - Marvin Miller will start Government Canyon again.

Trip Reports

- Gregg Williams took a group of people into the lower portion of Cascade Caverns.
- Jake went to Hills and Dales trip with Geary Schindel. It was his first vertical cave.

Program Announcement

Meeting adjourned by Aaron Wertheim at 7:37 p.m..