June 15, 2020 KGMS Board Meeting Minutes

NOTE: There was no April or May Board meeting due to quarantine restrictions as a result of COVID-19 pandemic.

<u>CALL TO ORDER:</u> Dave Haas, President, called the meeting to order at the Great Lakes Bee Shop, Galesburg, MI. There was a quorum.

Treasurer Report: not read

Secretary Report: not read

Committee Reports:

A. 2021 Annual Show:

- 1. Wrifton reported Kalamazoo Expo Center has sent KGMS contracts for two rooms for 2021 rock show and given KGMS option to reserve third room for show. The Metaphysical group would like to have their show in conjunction with a rock show until they can be more established.
 - a. Pros to letting metaphysical group have third room
 - Metaphysical group would bring additional customers to the show, which KGMS may need with the cancellation of the 2020 show due to COVID-19 Pandemic.
 - 2. Metaphysical group plans to move their show to a different weekend than rock show in the future.
 - 3. With cancellation of 2020 show, KGMS may not be ready to expand to third room in 2021. There are too many unknowns due to pandemic.
 - 4. Renting the third room for the show would cost KGMS an additional \$1800-\$2000 for show expense. This would raise the rental of the Expo Center to \$11K for all three rooms. KGMS has the funds to cover this for now

- 5. Additional room would require additional volunteers to man areas. KGMS had enough volunteers for 2019 show, but this is an unknown for future shows with Pandemic situation.
- 6. Could show be cancelled again in 2021 due to continuing health risks?
- 7. Allowing Metaphysical group to rent room may provide a mutual beneficial relationship with the group for future events
- b. Cons to letting metaphysical group have third room
 - 1. Metaphysical group does not have same ideals as KGMS so there may be some stigma sharing Kalamazoo Expo space with them. Could this lead to possible negative public perception towards KGMS and our mission?
 - KGMS could use third room for food and speakers. This would allow vendors to have bigger spaces for 2021.

A motion was made for KGMS to rent the third room at the Kalamazoo Expo center for the 2021 show. The motion was seconded and did not pass. KGMS will not be renting the third room in the Expo Center for 2021 show.

- 2. Wrifton to explore option of rearranging the table setup to maximize dealer space by making the booth area longer and skinnier.
- 3. Jim reported that it was not cost effective for club to purchase printed bags for show attendees.
- 4. Wrifton suggested adding a statement to vendor contracts regarding cancellation of show due to County government decision and pro-rating vendor deposits based on conditions of

cancellation. Vendor contracts need to be sent out for 2021 show in the next couple of months.

B. Fieldtrip Committee

- 1. Dave reported Mazon Creek fieldtrip was cancelled due to Pandemic concerns
- 2. Dave reported Thunder Bay fieldtrip was cancelled due to US-Canada border closure as a result of Pandemic
- 3. Dave reported Ishpeming Swap/Red Metal Retreat has been cancelled. Only fieldtrip still scheduled is to Republic Mine and attendance is limited

C. Kids Area Committee

 Donna and Bill reported that no additional prizes were needed for the kids area. Current stock includes: 496 Egg Cartons, 1500-2000 mine bags

D. Education/Outreach Committee

- Plainwell Public Library personnel have asked KGMS to provide an indoor display of Michigan rocks for their new library. Dave to coordinate donations from members for display. Donations are needed by the September General Meeting.
- 2. KGMS had two applicants for WMU scholarship this year. \$2000 is to be given to one student and \$1000 to the other.

E. Miscellaneous

1. Dave reported that the club cabinets need to be moved from current storage location by July 11. Cost of current storage facility is \$40-40 per month. KGMS would need a 12 x 8 or 12 x 10 space to store cabinets. Rick Berner to contact Paul Kison in Mattawan to see if he would be willing to allow KGMS to store cabinets in one of his barns. KGMS will also look into other options like POD, trailer or shipping container for storage options.

- 2. June Ice Cream Social was moved to September.
- 3. Rick suggested a live auction for September General meeting
- 4. Dennis has reserved the church for the tailgate in September. There was some discussion on whether this might be cancelled as well or how to implement safety guidelines for participants and attendees. Tailgate is also the same weekend as the Holland Show this year.
- 5. Dave reported that Terry will be given a plaque for service to the club.
- 6. Bill reported that Kitty Starbuck has moved to hospice and is being treated for COVID-19 related illness. Bill to send Marv and family a card on behalf of the club.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15p.m. Next Board Meeting TBD

Cynthia Gauthier Recording Secretary Date Approved: TBD

Board Title	Elected Person	Attended
President	Dave Haas	Y
Vice-President	Keith Agdanowski	N (yes for vote)
Treasurers	Kate Dutrow	N
	Chet Parrow	N
	Anna-Marie Parthun	N (yes for vote)
Secretary	Cynthia Gauthier	Y
Liaison	Bill Mitchell	Υ
Members at Large	Donna Siebert	Y (online)
	Rick Berner	Y
	Jim Traill	Y
Media Editor	Wrifton Graham	Y
QUORUM (need 5)		Y

Additional Attendees

Sue Haas, Silent Auction Lead