

# KGMS General Meeting Minutes

## October 1, 2024

**CALL TO ORDER** by Dave Haas, President, at Portage Senior Center, Portage.

### **DOOR PRIZE WINNERS:**

Kids: Tanner Hunt, Mikey, Karson Hunt, James Keller, Tristan Hunt, Hendrik Snyder, Jackson M., Scarlet Keller, Bette Stremaly

Adults: Ken Ahrens, Martin W, Kris Thomas, Valerie Reed, Chuck Stroh, Heather Bauer

**SECRETARY REPORT:** read and accepted with corrections

**TREASURER REPORT:** not read

### **A. 2025 Show; May 2-4; Setup May 1**

1. 2025 show theme: Kaleidoscope of Color
2. Dave reported 160 tables sold. Dave to send a reminder to vendors that contracts are due by December 31
3. Dave has a draft floor plan for show. Dave is working on postcard design
4. Show committee meeting scheduled for October 8 at 6:30pm, Main Street Pub on Gull Rd., Kalamazoo
5. Dave still looking for lapidary artists for show area. Plans to check with the Kalamazoo Arts Council
6. Bruce solicited for a volunteer to work on a rock related Bingo Card for Kids Day that could be tied to show theme and given to teachers prior to show. This could serve as a scavenger hunt for students. Completed cards could be turned in for a prize

### **B. Membership:**

1. Dave Haas introduced new members/attendees

### **C. Fieldtrips:**

- a. Linda Burgeon announced final fieldtrip of the season and asked for ideas from membership for 2025. There was a suggestion to visit Haunted Ridge in Missouri for Lace Agate
- b. Cheney fieldtrip was well attended with 22 cars and about 50 people attended. Rock clubs from Indiana and Detroit were also present. Excessive heat limited collecting time.
- c. October 5—Byholt Gravel Pit, Schoolcraft, 12-4pm. Standard safety gear required. Club to pay for attendee participation. Details on website.

### **D. Scholarship Committee:**

1. No report

### **E. Education/Outreach Committee**

1. No report

### **F. 2024 KGMS Tailgate**

1. 2025 Date: September 6 at St Michaels Lutheran Church, Portage
2. Bruce provided report on tailgate. Total donations received by KGMS included \$385.52 and several boxes of rock donations from various vendors. Net income = \$148.45

3. Attendance: 240 adults; 35 kids. Feedback for improvements: better parking, more attendees, better advertising and foodtruck

**G. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. Program: Silent Auction and Show and tell of recent fieldtrip finds
2. Next General Meeting is scheduled for November 5 at Portage Senior Center.

**MEETING WAS ADJOURNED**

**Cynthia Gauthier, recording Secretary**

**APPROVED : November 5, 2024**