

Friends of the St Croix USVI National Parks

11 May 2017 called to order at 4 p.m. by Julie San Martin

Present
Julie San Martin
Susan Wall
Rick Starr
Nina York
Lenny James (4:30)

Absent: George Pereira, VP – off island, sent report
Secretary, Sara Dykstra

Topic: Banking / name badges / Limetree Bay RFP _ Julie San Martin

May bank balance is about \$1100; we have 24 paid members and have raised \$1658 year to date for Jazz in the Park (thank you George). Name badges were handed out. Two projects were identified for the Limetree Bay donation request:

1. Naval historian – need cost estimates and description (Dr Betsy Rezende?)
2. SAI Coastal Studies Outpost K-12 – Dr Meredith Hardy

Topic: Upcoming lecturers – Susan Wall

8 June: Trust for VI Land - Mike Walsh & Aaron Hutchins; “promotion” – VIP, ask Superintendent and Ranger Vegas to participate, also George P

July – we have two presentations: 6 July – Dr Ben Ruttenberg (Parrotfish survey)

13 July – Steve Lenick (Estate Bethlehem archeology)

Topic: Salt River (George’s report is attached)

Topic: Communications – Rick Starr

Constant Contact continues to exceed “average” opening statistics; Julie is learning to use the membership portion of the Wild Apricot CRM

Topic: The Danes – Nina York

Communications and visits continue, look forward to connections extending for a number of years.

Proposal – Zandy Starr would like an uninterrupted 3 hours, can be on the weekend, with the six Board members to review the foundation agreements for the three parks and orient us to current best practices. How to schedule, as many of us are traveling – Google calendar?

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 8, 2017 at 4 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 5 p.m. for presentation by Eddie Russell, on Jazz in the Park

5:30 PM Lecture– LaVaughn Belle “Chaney: Stories from Migrant Fragments”

Minutes submitted by President, Julie San Martin