

Ohio Cave Survey | MINUTES

October 4, 2020 | 1905-2001 Hours EST | Meeting location Online via Google Meet

Meeting called by	M. Hood
Type of meeting	3 nd General Meeting
Facilitator	M. Hood
Note taker	S. Lott

AGENDA

Approval of Minutes from last meeting
1st: Dr. Hazel Barton 2nd: Kevin Lorms

Reports:

President – Mike Hood: Nothing to report.

Vice President – Curt Harler: Nothing to Report.

Secretary – Sarah Lott: 1 New Organization: Wittenberg Univ. and 1 new general member.

Treasurer – Gary Bush: Excused.

Director – Dr. Hazel Barton: Nothing to report.

Director - Jonah Kidder: Nothing to Report

Director - Kevin Lorms: Nothing to report.

Director - Darryl Marsh: Excused.

Communications Committee – Chairman position is open. Nothing to report.

Finance Committee – Gary Bush has nothing to report.

Landowner Committee – Chairman position is open. Northing to report.

OCS-ODNR Liaison Committee- Aaron Bird: Nothing else to report.

Records Committee – Rich Kline resigned. Now open.

Old Business

-501c3 Application rejected. Getting more info.

-Articles of incorporation are approved by the state

Old Business

- Stand by on dues till we have a bank account.
- Communications Committee: Dr. Hazel Barton: Anyone familiar with Rob posting cave locations on Website? Handle with a light touch, Make him communications director? <https://startcaving.com/>
- No Newsletter
- a. The Board of Directors confirmed the e-mail vote to appoint Rich Kline as Chairman of the Records Committee. Curt Harler moved to approve the e-mail vote. Kevin Lorms seconded. Motion passed.
- b. Items from the June 17th Board of Directors meeting:
 - Ohio Articles of Incorporation and Tax Exempt Status - Gary Bush stated he will submit the application for incorporation as soon as the vote to approve by the membership is completed (note-- we did receive 2/3rd favorable votes to approve). He will apply for our tax exempt status once the Articles of Incorporation are approved by the state.
 - Bank Account - Gary Bush is researching banks to set up our accounts with. PNC and 5/3rd are possibilities.
 - Dues for 2021 - Mike Hood informed the membership the board approved dues as \$15 for regular members, \$5 for associate members (under age 18), and \$30 for organizations. No Lifetime Membership.
 - General Membership Meetings - Mike Hood stated our bylaws say we are required to have a general membership meetings a minimum of twice a year. Should be meet more often as we're still getting on our feet? Curt Harler recommended we hold general membership meetings quarterly for now.
 - Establish Permanent Committees - Mike Hood reported the board established the following permanent committees: Communications Committee, Finance Committee, Landowner Committee, OCS-ODNR Liaison Committee, and Records Committee.
 - Committee Chair Appointments - Mike Hood said we are still in need of a chairman for the Communications Committee and Landowner Committee, as well as a newsletter editor. He will send out another request for volunteers.
 - Approve Board Policies - Mike Hood reported the board approved the board policies, which act as policy letters for the organization. They are all posted on the web page.
- Curt Harler asked Gary Bush who checks should be made out to for dues and such. Gary said until we get a bank account, we can't accept payments, but will most likely be made out to Ohio Cave Survey.
- Curt Harler asked if we had an official logo yet. Mike Hood said we do not, but he did place the one designed by Gary Bush on the web page just to jazz it up a bit, but it is not the official logo. Mike will put out another request for logo designs.
- Don Conover asked if we can open a temporary account and then transfer funds to a permanent account, once established? Gary Bush said we could put funds in anyone's account and transfer them later to our account. However, the account the money is going to, temporarily, is not recommended.

New Business

- a. Memorandum of Understanding with ODNR - Aaron Bird

New Business

- Rough Draft sent as a starting point for discussion. ODNR and GeoSurvey reviewing and making edits on 9/11. Haven't heard anything back yet.
- Dr. Barton: has concerns about the amount of work in exchange for the documents as well as holding the archives at the university and them not being able to be accessed by cavers.
- Curt is concerned about possibly losing access to each cavers work. Dr. Barton agrees.
- Send edits and comments to Aaron Bird. This is a 1st draft. Aaron brought up making a google document so everyone can suggest edits.
- Hortons data is "owned" by Erin and ODRN. Residence is not ownership.
- Mike vision is OCS as the traditional State Cave survey.
- GeoSurvey has tons of potential cave locations from Sinkhole, Doug Aden can speak to his chief to see if they can give that data to OCS. MOU?
- "Shall" is contractual, "Will" is intent
- b. Nomination of officers for 2021
- Get ahold of Mike if you want/don't want to run.
- c. Appoint election ad hoc committee
- Email coming soon

No other new business.

Adjournment:

1st: Curt

2nd: ??

Next Meeting: Will Discuss Further