

Friends of Midway State Park

Board of Directors Meeting

Summary of May 19, 2012

Attending: Bob Wooler, Kathleen McCarthy, Bill Locke, Pat Locke, and Kate Gross.

Kate Gross began the meeting with an update on the train restoration project. The two passenger cars have been completely restored and delivered to the park and are in the process of being loaded onto the tracks. The locomotive will be equipped with a new clutch and paint will be touched up for the season. In the winter of 2012-13, the locomotive will be restored with an appropriate new engine that the Friends will find and arrange to have installed. Also, Midway State Park will arrange to have the train station torn down and rebuilt in the off season. Design features will be discussed this summer, possibly to include garage doors on the ends, swing doors and a kneewall for cross traffic control in the middle, swing doors, a decorative metal roof, and Hardi Plank columns. The friends will produce a poster outlining Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the restoration and encouraging donations toward the effort.

The Friends will also produce kids t-shirts to sell at tables with the adult polos this summer to further benefit the carousel restoration fund. In order to not compete directly with the train restoration effort, the Friends will not conduct a high profile carousel campaign this season but will instead seek to have one horse repainted in the winter of 2012-13 so that it can be on display when the carousel returns to the newly completed roundhouse for the 2013 season. This will encourage sponsorships of horses for decoration which we hope to have done locally in the 2013-14 off season.

The Pony Tractor with a Friends of Midway credit will be delivered to the museum part of the gift shop this week.

The date for this year's Friends of Midway skeeball Roll-A-Thon is July 29, and proceeds will benefit the Sky Fighters repainting fund, The Friends are hoping to have raised \$1,800 this season to support the repainting effort over the 2012-13 off season.

The next Friends of Midway Board of Directors meeting was set for Saturday, July 21.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Wooler