

STORY COUNTY CONSERVATION *PARTNERS*

Thursday, July 11, 2019

Story County Conservation Center
56461 180th St., Ames

1. Jerry Keys called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM
2. ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS	STAFF
Christine Laumer	Jerry Keys
John Pohlman	
3. Review agenda and handouts
No Comments
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Minutes from the May 2, 2019 meeting approved as read.
5. MEMBERSHIP UPDATE
Currently at 176 members. In Fiscal Year 2019 (FY19), *Partners* lost 8 members and gained 9 new members.
6. FINANCIAL REPORTS AND UPDATES
In FY19 *Partners* raised \$21,549 in memberships towards the new Hickory Grove Park beach house. That is 90% of the \$24,000 goal. Expenses included \$587.81 for youth service projects, \$22,000 towards Carroll Prairie and \$20,000 for Jordan Wildlife Acres. Memberships in FY20 will go towards the construction of a sustainable cabin at Dakins Lake. The goal is \$24,000.
7. September tour at Hickory Grove Park
In place of the September 5 advisory meeting there will be a *Partners* members only tour of the Hickory Grove Park lake renovation and new beach house projects. The tour will begin 6:30 PM. Parking and tour start location will be determined later.

Laumer suggested that future *Partners* tours be offered at more than one date/time.
8. Communications
No communications
9. Other
Partners have held membership meetings or a game night on a bi-annual schedule in the past. The last one was in 2017. Keys asked if *Partners* should consider holding in FY2020. It was decided that the SCC appreciation dinner and the special tours were sufficient activities to bring members together.

Maybe after the Hickory Grove Lake project is complete, some type of incentive (free canoe rental certificate) could be included with each membership renewal letter.

10. SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS

2019

Thursday, Sept. 5	6:30 PM	<i>Partners</i> members tour at Hickory Grove Park
Thursday, Nov. 7	6:30 PM	<i>Partners</i> Advisory meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM.