

**Friends of Arlington's Great Meadows
Steering Committee
February 27, 2012**

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Present: David White, Mike Tabaczynski, John Bartenstein, Sandra Ruggiero, Sandy Vorce, Don Miller.

The minutes of the meeting of January 23, 2012 were approved with one edit.

Next meeting: Thursday March 29 at Sandy V's.

The winter walk on Saturday February 25 had about 25 participants of all ages and was very successful. Thanks to Sandra and Fran for leading this.

Woodcocks have been heard in AGM already. It was agreed that we should put out signs asking that dogs be kept leashed in the nesting area.

Don and **Sandra** will let David know the date(s) for future walk(s) soon. Don will ask Chris Floyd to do a woodcock walk.

Boy Scout Proposal: It was agreed that we will not allow overnight activities (including camping) or the use of fire any time of day or night in Arlington's Great Meadows. Sandy will pass this information back to the person who asked about this.

Kiosks: **Mike** and **Sandy** will add the building of a new kiosk next to the bikeway to their respective lists of projects for scouts.

Other Upkeep Projects: **Mike** will ask his crew of weekday volunteers to look at the cross-boards of both raised boardwalks to see if repairs are needed. **Sandy** will send us information on the best method of building a brush pile for birds and animals.

Beekeeper: **Don** will reply to the man who inquired about installing his own bee hives in AGM after seeing the existing hives. Don will make the point that the existing hives are part of an educational project at Waldorf School, and that FoAGM will not approve any private bee projects. Also, in AGM there are not many sites which meet the criteria for bee hives in terms of amount of sun, distance from water, etc. We learned this in looking for sites for the Waldorf School project.

Ten-Year Report: **Sandra** will send out her time lines to all SC members. **Sandra** will do a write-up about woodcocks.

AGM Map: It was agreed that FoAGM will spend up to \$400 for the map to be done by Heather. **Mike** will work with her on moving the project along.

Dog Restrictions: **Sandy** will research dog guidelines.

Trail Markers: **Don** will share his recommendations for the location of trail markers between the two kiosks

Respectfully submitted,
Don Miller

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