

Friends of The James River Park



Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 25 2006

Present: Molly Dellinger-Wray (President), Ken Hopson (Vice-President), Ralph White, Anne Wright, Christy Deonanan, Sandy and Bill Cook, Jeff Gilleo, Richard Taranto and Winnie Canup

Old Business

1. No treasurer's report was made.
2. **JRP Usage Survey** will begin this Wednesday, April 26 and continue Wednesdays and Saturdays through the fall. Survey designer, Cliff Fox of VCU joined us to review procedures and pass out schedules. Incentives for volunteers will include T-shirts, a torch-lit tour of the Pump House, a tubing trip and free FOJRP membership.
3. **Earth Day:** Molly thanked Sandy and Bill Cook, Mary Wickham, Christy and Jason Deonanan, Ralph White and Ken Hopson for joining her to work a very rainy Earth Day on Saturday, April 22. Sunnier weather returned for the fish stocking project the following day at Belle Isle. The new display board was a great addition and helped to recruit new members.
4. Ralph and Winnie are to decide on wilderness park wording for **park entrance signs**.
5. Ralph will call VA-Tex to order new **FOJRP car stickers**.

New Business

1. **June 10 will be the annual park clean up day and Pump House Tour.** FOJRP will supply beverages and chicken to all current members at the Pump House. Memberships will be \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. Jeff will print "Save the Date" postcards to mail to membership. Molly will determine if occupancy permits are required. We will conduct guided tours of the Pump House.
2. **Providing water for Belle Isle** visitors was discussed and tabled until later. Members were asked to write City Administrator William Harrell regarding the importance of locking the 22nd Street gate and recent destructive behavior in this area of the park.
3. **A fundraising canoe-a-thon** was discussed – possibly for the fall. Ralph suggested an evening paddle into the sunset and floating back to the starting point via a full moon.