

Olathe Gem & Mineral Society – September 12, 2023 - Board Meeting

Place: Olathe Library

Time: 6:30 - 7:45

Meeting was called to order by Norman Onnen at approximately 6:30.

Schedule of future events:

Sept. 16, 2023 - Field Trip - I-435 & Holiday Dr.

Oct. 5, 2023 Club meeting program: Roger Middleton (watchmaker at Tivol's) Topic: "The History of Watchmaking".

Oct. 10, 2023 OGMS Board Meeting, 6:30 T The Olathe Library

Oct 21, 2023 - Field Trip - Nebraska

November 2023 - There will be no regular meeting. We will be having our annual Christmas Party on November 16 at the Hope chapel. We will again have Joe's BBQ, time will be 6:00pm. Cost will stay the same as last year. Leslie Hartman will bring drinks and extra serving items. Guests will be asked to bring a dessert. Sign-up sheets will be available at next meeting.

December 2023 no scheduled meeting

Jan 4, 2024 OGMS Meeting

Feb 1, 2024 OGMS Meeting

Mar 7, 2024 no meeting due to March Show - March 8 -10 at KCI Expo Center

April 4, 2024 OGMS Meeting

May 2, 2024 OGMS Meeting

June, 2024 Annual Picnic - date pending

Future Programs were discussed but as meeting time none had been scheduled.

Field Trips

Sept 16th - I-435 & Holiday Dr - Request to have Leslie contact new members regarding upcoming field trips

M John Memorial -No plans have been made yet.

Barbara Crompton gave the September treasurer report with note that there were some changes - needed and she will send an updated report to board members.

Member Ship Dues - Barbara provided a list of members who has not paid their dues as of meeting time. Norm and Larry Wells have made an offer to personally contact unpaid members to see if they are going to pay or not.

T-Shirt report/status - inventory was presented and we are 1 extra-large shirt short for new a member. More shirts will need to be ordered. Lesliee brought in the 10 youth large shirts she had at her house to add to the inventory.

Raffle & Refreshments - Lesliee was asked if she needed help with the raffle, sign in sheets, sign-up sheets, etc. And she felt that is was doing alright without help. She did indicate she needed more people to bring in quality specimens/rocks for the raffle.

Badges: Lesliee is looking into suppliers for lanyards to use with paper name tags for our meetings as was discussed at our last board meeting. There was interest in ordering more permanent badges and a couple board members request theirs be ordered and they can then be used as samples to see if others are interested in ordering them.

Web site/Bulletin - Need to verify contact information and make any changes necessary. Will need to find a volunteer who will help with articles as a backup.

Sound System - after a short discussion it was decided that more time to investigate additional options.

Bulletin - Dan McDaniel is sending a message to members requesting articles for the bulletin.

Hope Chapel - We are currently alright with our current location for our meetings.

Association representatives are Chet McLaughlin and Mandy Lorenz. Lesliee Hartman has a list of members who sign up for tables for the November show. November show will be discussed at our October meeting.

The club has donations from several individuals to be sold at future times/show. We will have to have a discussion to determine the best time to sell the donated items.

Education - The club has received funds that were earmarked for education. A plan for education needs to be developed and discuss possible speakers.

RMF Congress Report -

Quorum established (20 clubs; 24 proxies = 44. required 38) (2022 congress lack of quorum)

Operating Procedures were modified including quorum level required

OGMS and 3 other Kansas clubs were represented

Field trips - 3 of which one was canceled,

2024 Congress will be held in Oklahoma

2025 Congress will be held in Grand Junction, CO

June 3, 2023 Picnic Report -

37 attendees - We had confirmation for additional attendees that did show. (2 of those called to cancel)

Drawing for "on time dues" was held and the winners were: Sandy Daum, Julie Luedtke, and Sherri McLaughlin.

Meeting was adjourned by Norm Onnen.