

## MAW DC Monthly Meeting 12/10/2022

- Presentation fee stays the same. Maybe on a case-by-case basis we offer more money for high demand speakers.
- Members asking for in person meetings.
- Some board members interested in in-person meeting maybe once a quarter
- If speakers request in-person meetings, we may do it.
- Putting in-person meetings on YT is a hassle. Maybe look for a space that already has a hybrid setup?
- With high membership we may have outgrown the library space we used to hold in-person meetings at.
- Rock Creek Park nature center – meeting plus foray afterwards. We did this in the past.
- Survey members to see if there is interest in
  - o in-person vs zoom meeting.
  - o Forays in VA
- Weekend in-person meeting with foray?
- No one wants to change default zoom first Tuesday meetings.
- Perhaps think about adding in-person meeting to the schedule.
- Reschedule -and/or cancel July 4?
- Tuesday during sequonota meeting
  - o Perhaps an in-person meeting after sequonota to talk about what we found. We will still have physical samples for id table.
- Possible culinary in-person meeting for May? Church in Silver Spring United Methodist church w/commercial kitchen that John talked about might be a possibility. Holds couple of hundred, fewer restrictions. Cost \$500 for 5 hrs. available Saturdays and weekday nights.
- For Feb a mushroom coffee tasting?
- Ethan Crenson workshop a possibility for winter months.
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- To allow new members to participate, perhaps an exclusive new member event or foray?
- Mushroom 101 workshop every year?
- July 4<sup>th</sup> picnic with foray and let people bring in mushrooms to ID table?
- Celebrate July 25<sup>th</sup> club birthday?
- Foray Dates
  - o WV foray Aug 10<sup>th</sup> thru 13<sup>th</sup>
  - o NAMA Foray Aug 24-27
  - o Sequonota Sept 3-5
  - o Lincoff Sept 29-30
- MAW history talk. Bruce to do a talk? Annie to interview Bruce? Or a panel/ fireside chat?
- Calls for volunteers [Mitch]

#### Ideas to spend money:

- Culinary events:
  - o Have chef Julian cook a fancy dinner one night at Sequonota.
  - o Have a fancy dinner event at a restaurant that incorporates mushrooms.
- Donate money/samples to a fungarium – Megan to look at options. USDA? VA Tech?
- Coordinate a foray event with iNat and/or Anacostia.
- Give stuff away to members.
- Free/subsidized cultivation workshop for members. Marisol has information/instructions for this.
- Event to clean up morel habitat.
- Calls for volunteers to help with various events where we can spend money.
- Website overhaul.
  - o Hire a professional web designer. \$3K-\$5K. [Tom]
  - o Hire a template designer for newsletter. [Marisol]
- More grants.
- DNA Sequencing.
- Dinner expenses at Board meeting go into MAW discretionary funds.
- Provide free memberships to people in ward 8 or designate orgs to give out free memberships. Or let science teachers join for free.
- Develop educational materials for schools and organizations. [Megan]
- NAMA Scholarships [Bruce & Megan]
- Commission an artist to develop art for t-shirts, beer cans, stickers etc.
- People to send out budget items for approval to Matt. Board to vote on that in February or by email.

#### Board Rules for approval:

- 1 Meetings are scheduled quarterly.
  - o In-person meetings are on weekends
  - o Anil to send out calendar invites.
  - o Aug 17 to prep for Sequonota on zoom. 7 pm
  - o Dec 9 in-person. 4 pm
  - o March 16 on zoom. 7 pm
  - o June 1 zoom. 7 pm
- 2 Delegation of duties
  - o DNA – Tom and Megan
  - o Scholarships/Grants – Megan
  - o Social Media – no committee
- 3 Dues
  - o Not changing
- 4 Budget
  - o To be filled later
- 5 Secretary to submit meeting minutes for approval.
- 6 Code of conduct
- 7 Identification

- h: President, foray chair, culinary chair and 3 identifiers must unanimously approve the new identifier. [Approved]

Board rules are approved as modified with agreement that the budget amount to be filled in later.

Tabling stuff for later:

- Communications
- Volunteers/ Committees